

## Children in Need Friday November 14th

The School Council has decided they would like the school to support Children in Need this year and have decided on the theme of 'Spots'. Please can you child come dressed in anything spotty for a suggested donation of £1. Don't worry if your child does not own anything spotty, they can just wear non-school uniform and add some cut out spots to their clothing.

Many thanks for your help with this.



## **Cross Country**

The Nears Cross Country was a tough race. It was held at Horsted Keynes Primary School.

The track was very muddy, it didn't help that the muddiest part was at the beginning so everyone slipped over! It had a very steep hill which we had to run down at the beginning (which was easy), then we had to run up at the end which was much harder, as we were very tired at that point; plus it drains your energy for the sprint at the end.

Three of our team members were in the top five and qualified for the next level. Evie Tighe came 1<sup>st</sup>, Maud Brook-Nash came 2<sup>nd</sup> and Rosie Carr came 4<sup>th</sup>. Eti Noonan-Ward came 42<sup>nd</sup> and completed the race with determination!

Evie, Maud and Rosie

#### Calling Competitive Horse Riders

Does your child ride a pony and want to compete in competitions. If so we are putting together a team to compete inter school competitions. Please contact Mrs Tighe through the school office if you are interested.

#### Medicines and Medical needs

Please remember it is the parents' responsibility to make sure all medicines supplied to school are in date and that all medical information held about your child is accurate and up to date. Please let us know if information needs updating or reviewing. If we do not hear from you we will assume that the medical information held in school about your child is correct and up-to-date.

#### Reminder – Non-prescription Medication

WSCC guidelines are that staff are not permitted to give medicines that are not prescribed by your doctor.

On occasions with older more responsible pupils (8-9 years plus) self-administration is permitted but only in circumstances where a long term condition has been diagnosed by a doctor. Where a doctor has decided it is cheaper to buy over the counter medication rather than issuing a prescription, we would require a note from the doctor to explain this and you would be required to sign a consent form. However where possible all medicines should be prescribed.

Whilst staff do have a duty of care to administer medication, if they feel unable to do this for any reason they are able to refuse.

Please also remember all medication must be kept in the office not in book bags.

#### Congratulation to Miss Cragg

We would like to congratulate Miss Cragg and her new husband on their Wedding. Miss Cragg has now become Mrs Slade. We have included a picture of her holding her daughter Matilda.



#### Around the world themed week

Last week Twineham School had "World Week". During this week every class studied a country. They took part in activities such as art, animal adaptations and projects involving singing and dancing.

This time gave everyone in the school a chance to co-operate and work in teams together. We enjoyed "World Week" very much and thought that it gave me the opportunity to learn about other places in the world.

#### Rainy Jordon-Hayes

The children had a very exciting week finding out about lots of different countries and it was lovely to see so many parents in school on the Friday. The children really enjoyed sharing their work with you. If you were not able to come along do pop into the school and see the display along the corridor.

Following the success of that open morning we will be holding an open afternoon on December 8th between 2.30 and 3.30pm where you will be able to look at your child work from this term. Please save the date and I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

Thank you to all the children and staff for all their hard work during 'Round the World' themed week. Please have a look at our website for more photos.



We plan to hold regular events like this where we will have a themed week once a term and then invite the parents to come in on the Friday morning to give the children the opportunity to share their work with their parents.

## PE kits

Please can you ensure your child has a PE kit in school at all times. A lot of time is being wasted looking for spare kit and we cannot always find any so your child will miss their lesson. Please can you also check that your child's plimsolls/trainers still fit them (or are not too big!). We also ask that your child wears shorts for indoor PE as feet can get trapped in track suit bottoms and that they have a spare pair of socks with them- we cannot allow girls to wear tights for PE for health and safety reasons. Now it is getting colder could you also put in a sweatshirt for outdoor PE. Many thanks for your co-operation with this.

# Reminder - Film Night - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November, 3pm - 4.40pm

We will be showing - Bee Movie

Tickets £3.00 per child, adult tickets are free of charge (Drink and tuck included in price). Reception and Year 1 children must be accompanied by an adult (on a ratio of 2:1)





# Reminder – Xmas Fair - Friday 28th November 2014, 3.00pm - 5.00pm

We are appealing for chocolate donations for our chocolate tombola: chocolate of any kind, bars, boxes etc. There will be a box by the green gate next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday for donations.

# Thank you in advance!



We still have a few tables left if anyone would like to run a stall charges are as follows: Large table £10.00

Small table £5.00

All proceeds from the charge of tables will be donated to the FOTs.

If anyone would like to volunteer to help set up or would be interested in running a stall please see Vicky Holt or Sarah Woods.

Any donations for raffle prizes or offers of cakes to sell on the day would be gratefully received.

Regards

Vicky Holt

#### Message from Mrs Swift

On November 16th we are holding a Back to Church Service at Christ's Church, Sayers Common 10.00am – 11.00. This is a special service inviting you to Come Back or come for the first time and see what it's all about. We are encouraging people to say what it is they want from a Family Service or what stops them from coming to Church! It will be a 'not sure' friendly service, if that makes sense! The service is being taken by Father David Pike a former Priest to this Parish in the 90's. The children from the after school 'Singing Club' will be singing, there will be a play area for small children and food and drinks in the hall afterwards. Please do come along, try us out, give your opinion and meet some of the locals.

As Christmas is fast approaching we are looking for children to take part in our Christingle Service. We are looking for Singers and Bellringers to join our Singing Club (Mondays) and Bellringing Club (Thurs lunchtime) to perform at the service and greet people with singing and ringing. This is not just Choral music but Christmas songs as well. I will be starting a Handbell Ringing club aimed at years 4, 5 and 6 on Thursday lunchtimes, 12.30 - 1.00pm this week (13th). There are limited spaces so please let Mrs Killick know ASAP if your child would like to take part. Singers and Ringers MUST be able to attend the Christingle Service on Sunday 21st December 4.00pm, Christ Church, Sayers Common. The more the merrier.

We have lots of different 'events' and services taking place leading up to Christmas. An invitation and service list has been put into the book bags for you. I find it so sad that people 'loath' Christmas nowadays because of the commercialism and financial burden. I LOVE CHRISTMAS! Don't let the external pressures make you forget what it is all about, love, togetherness, sharing and most importantly, HOPE.

I hope you can find some time to come to our Christmas Services. See you there. Helen.