

Ravensworth CE Primary School Newsletter



Friday 18th October 2013

Dear all,

It's been a week of creativity and design here at Ravensworth! On Monday, in Mantle, the set designer, Monsieur De L'Artiste (just ask your children about him!) appeared on the scene at Ravens' Eye Films in a terrible state... the set had fallen apart, and the blueprints were lost. Fortunately, the company directors (aka the children) discovered that they had the skills to help... in their departments this week, they've been researching structures, materials and construction techniques to recreate the broken set, as well as studying the designs of monasteries. Hopefully, with their newfound talents, they can reassure the angry Frenchman and the project can continue to go ahead!



Harvest – the Harvest service will take place next Friday afternoon, and there are various bits of information to be shared with you about this!

- Donations of food / produce would be welcomed throughout the week. We intend to make up 6 baskets to be shared with the senior citizens who live in the Dakyn Trust Houses at Kirby Hill. It'll be lovely to talk with the children about the importance of sharing with those in our own community.
- Parents who have signed up for lunch are invited from 12:00 on Friday 25th to come and join the children.
- We then hope to walk up to the church together at around 12:30, to be there for 1:00-1:15. Please send your children with coat and wellies / good shoes. If weather is bad, we've got a bus on stand-by, but hopefully we won't need it! Obviously, if you're unable to come for the meal or walk, but wish to come to the service, you're welcome to do so.
- The service should last about 35 minutes, after which, the children will present the baskets to the residents across the road from the church.
- Parents are invited to take their children straight home from the church. For parents who are unable to attend, we will walk back to school, and keep the children until normal end of day.

Welcome Mrs. Harvey – Mrs. Sian Harvey is on placement with us from York St John University for the next four weeks, mainly working with the Blue Smurfs – we welcome her to the team!

Beading Club – after half term, now that the nights have drawn in and the clocks have changed, football club is no longer going to be run. We are currently exploring other sporting options (!), but Thursday evenings will now offer a very different activity – beading!

Stella has run similar clubs which have been very well received in other schools. Please see the attached flyer for details. Please contact Stella directly using the form provided.

Science Club – another exciting prospect is our new Science Club which will start after half term! This is being run (with support) by one of our ex-pupils, Ailsa Bell, who's now in Year 13. She's got loads of exciting ideas and will be doing 2 or 3 sessions before Christmas (obviously, she has to fit things in around her busy schedule of studying!). The club will be aimed at pupils in Green Class (Y2-3), and will have 10 places at the first session, which will be on Wednesday 6th November. First come, first served – please contact the office.

School Friends' Halloween Disco – all the details are on the attached flyer, but do come along and support! I'm sorry I can't be there due to a prior commitment, but it promises to be a fun night – I look forward to the photos! There are other school friends events due (see dates for the diary).

Scholastic Book Fair – next week, Scholastic Books will be delivering a wide range of books aimed at children for you to peruse and purchase at parents' evening! Every book you buy raises money for school funds, so please consider whether there's any that your children might enjoy!

Uniform Order – Mrs. Richmond is intending to place an order for uniform in the first week back; should you wish to make a purchase, please download a form from the website, or, if you don't have internet access, ring the office and we'll send one.

Long Trousers – thanks to all those who have provided PE kit for your children. Since PE often takes place outside, but the weather's getting cooler, do consider sending in some jogging bottoms / leggings / long trousers for PE. Thanks.

Dates for the Diary:

Friday 18th October – 4:15pm – Boys' Football Tournament, Brompton on Swale

Wednesday 23rd October – 5pm-7pm – Parents' Evening

Thursday 24th October – 3pm-5pm – Parents' Evening

Friday 25th October – 1pm – Harvest Festival

Friday 25th October – after church / 3:10pm – break up for half term

Tuesday 5th November – School restarts, bonfire lunch

Wednesday 6th November – 3:15-4:00 - Science Club (Y2-3)

Wednesday 6th November – 8pm – School Friends' Meeting

Thursday 7th November – Individual School Photos

Thursday 7th November – Beading Club (Y4-6)

Friday 15th November – GNAA Clothing collection (School Friends)

Friday 15th November – School Friends' Race Night



And Finally...

The best of luck to our footballers who are heading to Brompton tonight – I'm sure they'll be great as always!

Every blessing,

Rob Campbell

