

# NEWSLETTER 5

## 02/02/2010

Dear Parents and Friends

The new term is well underway and Christmas seems a very long time ago.

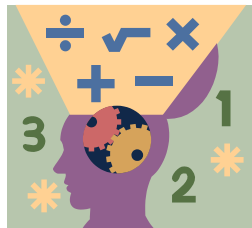


I am sure all of you who were able to attend the Upper Juniors' and Foundation Stage productions will agree with me that the children performed brilliantly. I would like to thank them and the staff for their hard work in producing such great shows.

**At all the productions we were fund raising for Great Ormond Street Hospital We raised over £150. Many thanks to everyone who made a donation.**

### **Maths Week**

This is being held in the week beginning Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February. The children will take part in many different number investigations. On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February we are holding an Open Afternoon to give parents the chance to see the work the children will have been doing during the week. The school will be open from 1:45 – 3:00pm.



I hope you will be able to join us for our Open Afternoon and look forward to an exciting week at school.

### **Jewellery & Make-Up**

Several children have been coming into school recently wearing jewellery or make-up. Please remember, NO make-up is allowed; this includes nail varnish. Children may wear small stud earrings, but other than that no other jewellery is allowed. Please remind your children about this rule.

### **Haiti Earthquake Appeal**

I am very pleased to tell you that over £650 was donated at our recent non-uniform day to raise funds for the Haiti earthquake appeal. This money has been forwarded to the Disasters Emergency Committee. I would like to thank you all for your generosity.

### **Attendance at School**

As you all know, regular attendance at school is extremely important. Schools are not allowed to authorize any absences, other than for a child's sickness or extreme personal circumstances. The local authority has the power to fine parents if they take their child out of school during term-time for a holiday. The fine is £50 per parent per child. This could mean that a family of two parents and two children could be fined up to £200 if their children have a holiday in school time.



Obviously we do not want our parents to be fined! If you have any questions relating to attendance, please come and see us.

### **PE Kit**

PE is a compulsory part of the national curriculum. We regularly have children missing this lesson because they have not brought their PE kit in to school. It is the responsibility of parents to ensure that their children have the necessary clothes at school: white T-shirt; black shorts; plimsolls or trainers for outdoor lessons. All these items can be purchased cheaply in many different shops, so please ensure your child does not have to miss any PE lessons.

### Other News

Do your children have any 'Happy Meal' toys which they no longer want? If yes, the Nursery would be very grateful if you could donate these free toys to them.

Parking is a topic which constantly comes up in this newsletter. The staff at the Pool have asked us to remind you that people must NOT park on the grassed areas around the car park, nor in the area reserved for Pool staff. Please park in the marked bays only.

Yours,

Peter Brandreth  
Headteacher

### Dates for Your Diary

Details of events will follow nearer the time

Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Happy Puzzle Workshops & after-school shop
Week beginning 8 <sup>th</sup> February	Maths Week
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> February, 1:45 – 3:00pm	Maths Week Open Afternoon
Week beginning Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	Half-term break
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Year 2 trip to Windsor Castle
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Lower Junior Performance
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 Geography Workshop
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 History Workshop
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 Junior Citizen event
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' evening
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Last Day of Term
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	School Opens, Summer Term