



## Newsletter 8<sup>th</sup> November 2011

### Fund raising group

We have had 6 nominations for the committee but still need a Class Rep from Class 4. Please contact the office if you would like to volunteer. We will be in touch with all nominees to arrange a first meeting.

### A reminder- Parent Governor

We have two vacancies for parent governors so please speak to Mrs Farrell or the Chair of Governors, Rebecca Orchard, if you are interested in what the role involves. The parent's governor leaflet given out at parent's evening is also on the website. You should have received nominations but if not they are available on the website: [www.haresfieldschool.co.uk/governors/vacancies](http://www.haresfieldschool.co.uk/governors/vacancies)

### School Nurse Drop-in

The school nurse, Denise Wood, will be visiting school on Wed, 9<sup>th</sup> Nov at 8.30am onwards. If you would like to talk to her in confidence about anything please drop-in, appointments are not necessary. Alternatively you may phone her on 08454 221906. Denise will also talk briefly to Reception parents about the standard health checks for all reception children – this will be at 9.00am and is likely to be 10 minutes. She will be able to continue to see parents after this.

### Bulbs

Thank you to all those who offered to help with bulb planting. Barclays Bank has kindly offered to send a team to do it on Saturday so we suggest we do some other planting later. We will be in touch with those who volunteered.

### School Lunch

We are always delighted to see so many parents coming in to join us for lunch – 30 on last Friday. As these are so popular we will try to hold as many as possible.

### Photos

Some have expressed concern about the cost of the recent photos and the styling. For those who wish we will have a different school photo company in next term to take photos. The costs will be more in line with previous years.

### Quedgeley Learning Community (QLC)

A group of children attended the opening of the new Design and Technology Centre at Severn Vale. They took part in a graphic design activity with pupils from other primary schools and Severn Vale and made key rings which will be completed and returned to us soon. This week a group of children will be attending a poetry/history workshop at Severn Vale and attending the War Memorial for a wreath laying ceremony.

### Absence procedure clarification

Please phone by 9.15am on the first day of sickness and then send a short note in to the class teacher when your child returns. The teacher must be informed about all medical appointments or other known absences in advance by a note to the class teacher. All routine dentist appointments can usually be made out of school hours. On infection control advice from the Health Protection Agency all children with vomiting or diarrhoea must remain off school until 48 hours after the last incidence. All children with coughs, high temperature and colds must remain off until well. If children are given antibiotics or other medicine please ask the GP for one that can be taken three times a day as staff may not administer it.

### Mud

We will try to keep the children on the field for as long as possible but this will inevitable mean muddy clothes – we apologise in advance for the washing burden this causes you but they benefit from having more space to play in.

### The Beacon Inn

This village pub is now offering after-school suppers for children at £3.50. These are from 3.15-6.00pm with specials for parents. The new owners are happy for parents to park in their car park whilst you drop off or collect children.

### Other items

- Christmas Shoebox - return by Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> November
- 11.11.11 – Wear Something Red for Remembrance Day for a £1.00 donation. Poppies on sale as usual for a minimum donation of 50p.