

9th January 2012

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new term and a new year – our Centenary Year! We will shortly be confirming dates for some of the exciting events that are planned.

Here are some points of information in the meantime regarding other news:

WEBSITE

We are keeping the website quite up to date at the moment and copies of my letters, date lists etc can easily be looked at if you cannot find your hard copy. We also hope to have trip/outing letters on as well so you can check on details like uniform requirements and expected return times.

In connection with this I would appreciate any parents who are unhappy for their children's names and/or photos to be put on the website to come into the office (or drop us an e mail) confirming this. If we do not hear we will assume that you do not mind.

PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT/SPECIAL EVENT

I would love to hear about events or achievements that your child has experienced out of school – a short note with the details should suffice – for example, outside sporting success or taking part in a book competition, as I would like to start including more personal news items as well as school successes.

NSPCC ASSEMBLY

We have a lady coming in from the NSPCC to talk to the children about the charity work they do which includes the special helpline service for children – **ChildLine**.

Your child will be given an activity sheet and sponsor form and if you would like to take part in this activity please ensure that the form and sponsor money are returned to school by **Tuesday 7th February**.

OUTINGS/TRIPS

To comply with recent guidelines we will now need to see documentation for any parents taking children in their cars. You are all covered by the school's insurance for carrying children in your vehicles but we would like to see:

- Drivers Licence
- Insurance Certificate (just to prove your car is roadworthy)

If you often volunteer to help then please bring these items into the office for photocopying and storing on file. Thank you.

REPORTS + PARENTS EVENINGS (8TH/15TH MARCH)

As usual school reports will be sent out on the Friday before half term. Parents Evenings are scheduled for a few weeks after that for any questions/comments you may have regarding your child's report.

Lists for you to sign up for a time and date will be outside the cloakroom from Monday 27th February – so please look out for these especially if you do not come into school with your child in the mornings.

ST. DAVID'S DAY

We are planning a whole day of related activities on Friday 2nd March and will be reminding you about poems that need to be learnt over the half term for this day which includes an Eisteddfod poetry competition.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

The following class assemblies have been arranged for this term:

Thursday, 2 nd February	:	Form 2
Thursday, 8 th March	:	Form 6
Thursday, 15 th March	:	Form 1

MATERNITY COVER – RECEPTION CLASS

Arrangements to cover Mrs Thompson's maternity leave are in hand. A Reception Teacher for Maternity Cover will be in place for the Summer Term. Reception parents will be invited to meet him/her as soon as I have interviewed and appointed.

Happy New Year!

Miss Cressida Mardell