



6th March 2009

Dear Parents and Friends of Bishops Down,

Week 23 Newsletter

Reports and Sharing Learning

This year our annual reports for children in Years 1-6 will be coming home on Friday 20th March. Following this, you will be given an opportunity to meet your child's teacher to discuss any queries you may have informally, however the expectation is that most parents will not need this. Further parent consultations will take place in the Summer Term. In addition, we have set aside two sessions for you to come into school and discuss your child's learning and view the classroom with your child. These are either on Tuesday 24th March 2.50-3.30pm, or Wednesday 25th March 8.30-9am. These are intended to be an opportunity to talk together with your child about their learning.

Lunches

A number of parents have asked about packed lunches and what can and cannot be included. In short, packed lunches should not include crisps, chocolate bars and chocolate coated items, sweets or food high in salt/sugar/fats. Home made cakes and sponge are acceptable and of course we encourage fruit and vegetables. We welcome your support with this as research proves that when children eat well they are more receptive and learn better. Although we have not banned peanut butter, we would ask you to remember that we do have a number of children with peanut allergies.

Doing Something Funny for the Money! Red Nose Day'09 Friday March 13th

Spare some change

'Empty your coffers and bring your coppers' - collection of coppers for Red Nose Day.

All coins gratefully received!

Learn your Red Nose Day Song

How many ways could we be 'Funny for the Money!' - Sing the song and find out...!

Show your Support - Add Accessories

In addition to school uniform, pupils are invited to add that 'little extra something' in suitably COMIC RED style! So please look for creative ways to add a RED touch to your uniform:

Bags, belts, ties, hair ornaments, ribbons... the possibilities are endless!

And above all - please encourage your children to PICK THEIR NOSES for RED NOSE DAY!

RED NOSE DAY '09 focuses on education this year and every child's right to schooling, so please support us in raising money for a worthy cause!

Lorraine Smith

PSA News

The Spotlight Book

Please look in book bags for your Spotlight order forms. The Spotlight book is a book of 120 vouchers to be used in the Tunbridge Wells area giving you access to potential savings of over £1000. Plus the school will receive £5 of the £10 cover price. You will find a copy of the Spotlight book at the office if you wish to view the fantastic offers available.

Sponsored Bounce

Don't forget the sponsored bounce is next Friday 13th March. Remember to get your sponsor forms completed. If the gift aid box is ticked can you please ensure you have the full name, address and postcode of the person sponsoring which will enable the school to process this correctly.

Head Teacher Awards

Reception	Izzie	Joe
Year 1	Joshua	Oliver
Year 2	Arthur	Beth
Year 3	The Whole Class	
Year 4	Elle	Daniel
Year 5	Arran	Jake
Year 6	Freddy	Thomas

Regards,

Dan Turvey