



NEWSLETTER

JULY 2010

FUND-RAISING NEWS

Mobile Phones

Please keep sending in your unwanted phones- thank you.

Adventure Island Tickets

These are still available and are valid until 31st December 2010.

SWIMMING GALA

Well done to all of the children who took part in the swimming gala this year. All of the pupils won at least one medal and the team finished in 3rd place overall.

COUNTY TENNIS FINALS

Well done to Grace, Fraser, Ciara and Jack who competed in the Harlow County Tennis Finals in June. They all played really well and came 4th overall.

ARCHERY

Congratulations to Rachel in Year 5 who gained second place in the archery tournament.

GOING FOR GOLD – DANCE FESTIVAL

Ciara, Kayley, Paige, Madison, Amy and Ciara all took part in the Basildon Dance Festival on 14th July. They were highly commended by the organisers of the event and were a credit to the school.

KITCHEN – FOOD HYGIENE INSPECTION

We are very pleased to inform you that following a regular inspection by the Environmental Health Officer the school kitchen has been awarded an excellent rating (5 stars). Scoring is based on standards of hygiene, structure and management. You are able to check this rating at www.castlepoint.gov.uk and www.scoresonthedoors.org.uk. Well done to Mr Procter and the catering staff for ensuring that the kitchen reaches this high standard.

LOST PROPERTY

Lost property has been left on tables in the reception area. It will remain there until Friday 16th July. Please check if your child has lost any items of clothing etc.

SATs RESULTS

Year 6 children took the SATs tests in May. 96% of children attained Level 4 in English with 54% achieving Level 5. In maths 98% of the children attained Level 4 and 48% attained Level 5.

Once again, these are excellent results. All credit to the children, staff and parents who have put in so much hard work.

SUMMER READING PHOTOGRAPH COMPETITION

We will be holding our summer holiday reading competition again this year. Children will be asked to bring in a photograph of themselves reading a book in an unusual place. They will also be asked to provide a book review (see separate letter for details of expectations for different age ranges). Last year one of the winners was even photographed under water!!

SPONSORED SPELL

Many thanks to all of you who supported our Sponsored Spell so generously. We raised the magnificent sum of £647.00. Children who spell confidently are far more likely to become fluent writers, and your support gives them a clear message about the value of accurate spelling.

Thanks to your generosity we have been able to order a brand new interactive resource to encourage children in the Early Years and infant classes to tell, and finally write, their own stories. We are sure this will also increase their enjoyment of the writing process!

HEALTHY SCHOOLS WEEK

During the week beginning 13th September 2010 we will be holding a Healthy Schools Week. There will be lots of activities taking place involving PE, Healthy Eating and PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education).

AUTUMN TERM START DATE

School closes for the summer break at 3.15pm on Thursday 22nd July.

School re-opens for children in Years 1 to 6 on Wednesday 1st September at 8.40am. Early Years Foundation Stage children start on Monday 6th September.

We would like to wish everybody a happy summer holiday and our very best wishes go to the Year 6 children as they move on to their secondary school.