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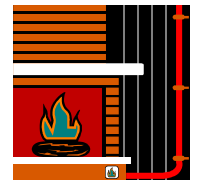
Dear Parents



THANK YOU!! - Weston-super-Mare Foodbank have sent the school a lovely letter thanking everyone for their very generous donations at our recent Harvest Service. An amazing 138.4kg of food was collected from our school's contribution. They promise to put our donations to good use and have pledged that it will go directly to those families and individuals in Weston-super-Mare that need a helping hand in their time of need. The Weston Mercury will be printing a picture of our Harvest Service in this week's local paper.

We have also heard from Lepira who have informed us that almost £400 was raised from generous donations following the children's recent workout! The money will go towards helping people living in some of the world's most deprived communities, to address not only [leprosy](#) disability prevention and treatment, but also other diseases of poverty including [lymphatic filariasis](#), [malaria](#), [TB](#), and [HIV](#). Thank you!

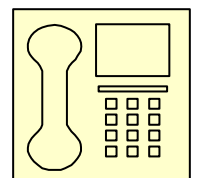
'WARM FAMILIES' - With fuel bills rising significantly in recent months it is becoming ever harder to keep our homes warm and fuel bills under control. Luckily help is at hand. The North Somerset Warm Families project offers FREE support to people with children under the age of 18, to help them to cut their energy costs.



Run by Bristol based charity, the Centre for Sustainable Energy, the project staff can visit you in your home or give you advice by phone, email or letter to help you to cut the costs of heating and powering your home. The team can advise on how to use energy more efficiently in your home, grants and discounts for insulation, how to treat damp and mould, how to deal with high fuel bills or reduce fuel debt, as well as talking to fuel suppliers and landlords on your behalf. If you have a home visit you will also receive a free energy saving gadget to help you start saving straight away.

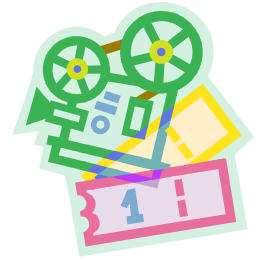
You can get in touch directly on warmfamilies@cse.org.uk or you can be referred to the project by calling the Energy Saving Trust on FREEPHONE 0800512012.

101 - We have been asked to let parents know that as of 19 September, the Police **non-emergency** telephone number has changed from 0845 4567000 to **101**! This is a national number and you will be redirected to your local police. This is not replacing 999, which is the number to call in an emergency, but is the number to use for events less urgent, for example if your car was stolen, house vandalised, you suspect someone of selling stolen goods, drugs etc.



FAMILY LEARNING FESTIVAL - Please remember that if you wish to take part in any of the events organised by the Extended Schools Partnership, forms and money should be in the school office by Thursday, 20 October. Forms and letters were sent out recently to every child but if you have mislaid yours or it didn't make it home, full details are available at www.broadoak.n-somerset.sch.uk.

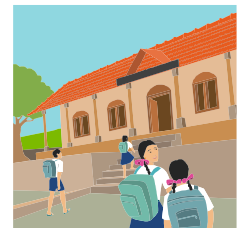
TRIP TO THE ODEON - The children from Years 1 - 6 have been given tickets to go to the Cinema next Thursday morning, 20 October and will be watching 'The Smurfs'. We will be leaving school at approximately 9.30 a.m. and will return in time for lunch. Please be assured that the children will be well supervised at all times. There is no charge for this visit.



LIGHTFEST PARTY - As an alternative to Halloween, Christ Church Church is holding a LightFest Party at Church from 4.30 p.m. - 7.30 p.m. on Monday, 31 October. With this letter is a leaflet giving full details. There is a small charge to attend the event and tickets are available either from the Church Office or in the school playground on Wednesday morning, next week (19 October).

As part of the event the children will be given the opportunity to make glass lanterns and the Church have asked if the children would bring one or two empty glass jars to school next **Wednesday morning. (A maximum of 2 per child.)** Mrs Pilgrim and Mrs Boardman will have a table set up in the playground to collect the jars. Thank you.

RECEPTION 2012 - Parents/carers of children born between 1 September 2007 and 31 August 2008 should apply **now** for school places for the 2012-13 school year. You can apply online at www.n-somerset.gov.uk/admissions or may request a paper application form from the North Somerset School Admissions and Transport Team on 01275 884014. You must apply even if you have a child already at a school as places are not guaranteed for children with an older brother/sister at a school. Please remember to submit your application by midnight on 15 January 2012 as late applicants are less likely to be offered their preferred school. Please remind anyone else you know who has children born between these dates.



FRIENDS MEETING - There will be a meeting of the Friends' Committee at 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 18 October in the school Activity Room. Please come along and have a cup of tea or coffee and discuss ideas with other parents. We value any input for fundraising etc and look forward to meeting new parents with new ideas!

END OF TERM BREAK - Don't forget that school closes **next Friday, 20 October at 3.20 p.m.** for the end of Term 1 break. **The school is closed on Monday, 31 October for staff training and so the school will reopen for pupils on Tuesday, 1 November.**

ADVANCE WARNING!! - We are all going 'dotty!' The School Council would like the school to raise money for Children in Need this year, which takes place on Friday, 18 November, by asking children to come to school wearing spots! Full details will be given nearer the time.

Yours faithfully

C Wilson
Headteacher

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