



Hertford Infant and Nursery School

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Headteacher Mrs Catherine Thompson

1st May 2008

Dear Parents and Carers,

Baby Has Arrived!

Congratulations to Ruth Simon-House and her husband Alex, who had a baby boy on Sunday called George. He weighed 10 lb, 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz!! If anyone would like to send Ruth a card we will happily act as a sorting office and make sure she gets it. Ruth is obviously tired at the moment and we will let you know when she can come in with George.

Bank Holiday Monday - 5th May

Reminder - the school will be closed on Monday 5th May as it is a Bank Holiday. Children return to school on Tuesday 6th May at 8.50 am. Have fun!

Cake and Book Sale - at the end of the school day on Friday 9th and 16th May

The Nursery are fundraising by selling cakes, and books for adults and children. They hope everyone will support them. Thank you.

Parents Meeting Friday 9th May 9.00 - 10.00 am - In the canteen- to discuss our school fair.

We are meeting to discuss our school Summer fair and would love everyone to come with ideas - refreshments and toys provided.

Sponsored walk - Thursday 22nd May

We will be having our annual, fun sponsored walk, around the school grounds on Thursday 22nd May. As with all fundraising this year, money raised will go towards our new, large, wall-mounted gym equipment. All classes in the school will be taking part and we would be very grateful if you could gather some sponsors over the next few weeks ready for the grand event (forms attached!). Thank you.

Book Box In The Office

Thank you to Mrs Bowers' daddy for making the lovely monkey book box in our school office. It looks wonderful and our books are now much neater. We all think he is very clever!

School Nurse - Drop in Monday 19th May.

Sam Cotton, our school nurse, will be holding a drop-in session in the school playground on Monday 19th May, before the start of school (from 8.30 am). Please feel free to meet with her if you have any issues or concerns about your child. Thank you.

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Festival Parade - This Saturday 3rd May

Reminder - All children taking part need to meet at Pelham Street at 10.00 am, with their parents and carers, ready to leave at 10.30 am. Please ensure that all parents wear either all black or all white clothes to match the domino theme. We look forward to seeing all the children in their costumes. I am so sorry I

will not be able to come as this is a really fun annual event, but I look forward to hearing all about it on Tuesday. (Hope the sun shines).

Rockinghorse Appeal

Reminder - PLEASE DO NOT BRING BOXES INTO SCHOOL UNTIL 22ND JUNE - ready for collection by the Rockinghorse Appeal on 23rd June (as we do not have anywhere to store all the full boxes).

School Council Request

We had a school council meeting yesterday, and councillors have requested that children do not bring football cards/ small toys to school as they cause conflicts in the playground (unless they are requested by teachers as part of their school topic work, in which case they are to be kept in the classroom and not swapped between children). Also they wanted me to remind you that children should only play football in the lower playground before school begins. Thank you.

Update on the Gate

We are still waiting to hear the date when our new gate can be installed - hopefully in the next few weeks. In the meantime thank you for your patience with our temporary entrance route.

Summer Is Coming (Ever Hopeful)

Now that the warmer weather is coming, can I please ask that if you are going to buy your children summer shoes for school that they are "sensible shoes" suitable for running in the playground at playtimes and lunchtimes. Shoes with straps, crocs and jellies are not appropriate, for health and safety reasons. Thank you.

Suggestion Box

Did you know that we have a suggestion box in the office for parents and children to put forward any ideas or comments? All contributions are very welcome.

Mayday Fun Day - Hollingdean Community Church - Monday 5th May

This will be held at Preston Park at 11.30 am, between Preston manor and the central café. Please bring a packed lunch. Hot and cold drinks will be provided and everyone is welcome. You can join in with cricket, rounders and races, or you can just sit and chat.

Oil Collection

The next date for the 'Slick School' oil collection will be Friday 23rd May from 8.45 - 9.30 am. Please bring in your used vegetable oil in a well sealed container, to put in our special oil collection bin. Your oil is then recycled into bio-fuel. This is a valuable contribution to our ECO work. Thank you for your support.

Achievements - These are recorded weekly in our Achievement Book which parents are always very welcome to come and look at in our office.

Penguins - Louise, Ebony, Selina, Grace S., Christian, Isaac, Skye and Grace B..

Puffins - Callum, Jordan, Nikolas and Daisy.

Sparrows - Esther, Kiera and Brandon.

Ladybirds - Fin, Luke, Alex, Josh and Bea.

Butterflies - Sacha, Shania, Esmee and Miryshka.

Yours sincerely,

Catherine Thompson
Head Teacher