



Dear Parents / Carers

The term is rapidly moving on and the children have settled well into the academic year 2011-2012. The school is also looking good with a lot of new furniture in. A huge thank you goes to the PTFA for raising £10,000 for this. They have now established a priority for this year to bring the school hall up to the same standard as the new build and refurbishment. This is quite a large task as the lighting needs replacing, walls decorating and the curtains replacing. With your support, I am sure their efforts will be just as successful. Fund raising started last week with the cake sale. It was great to see so many of you taking an interest in the school. Thank you.

## NEW SCHOOL TOUR

Now you have had a tour of our new school, I am sure you will agree it is a very stimulating and exciting environment in which to learn (and for staff to work). We raised £88.60 selling refreshments on Friday, so that will go into our refurbishment pot for the hall. At the same time the PTFA handed over the cheque for £10,000 - a superb effort by them and you for supporting the school.



## HARVEST FESTIVAL

You will by now have received a separate letter about this year's harvest festival - we look forward to receiving your donations.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

Just to inform you that we are now well stocked with uniform (apart from age 5-6 sweatshirts and navy shorts). The school office is open between 8.30am and 4.00pm for purchases.

## ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2012

Children born 1<sup>st</sup> September 2007 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2008 are eligible for admission to school in September 2012. New rules mean that the Local Education Authority now controls admissions and parents requesting admission for pupils are required to collect an envelope about admissions and complete necessary new forms. These Admission Packs will be available from the School Office mid-November.

**OPEN AFTERNOON - Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm** - this is primarily for new parents to our school, but you are very welcome to come along to again hear first hand what we strive to offer at Huntingtower School.

## The Farm Kitchen

The Farm Kitchen is dedicated to providing freshly prepared, nutritious school lunches made using high quality ingredients.

Victoria Howe, from the Farm Kitchen, will be joining us on the 11th October and from 3pm providing samples of her menus for a 'Tasting Session'. Please come along at the end of school to try some dishes. School dinners are not what they used to be.

At this point it is worth saying our kitchen should be operational by the New Year.



## IMPORTANT MESSAGE - ROAD SAFETY

I am afraid I once again have to write to explain the risk that some car drivers are putting our children at. Around school opening and closing times the roads around the school become very busy and there is limited parking. Due to the building work the congestion has become worse and access more complicated. Therefore, we must all be very careful at these times, particularly if we are driving.

The yellow zig-zags are there to protect your children. By stopping, or parking, on them, people are not only committing an offence but putting children at risk. Please can you pass the message on so that everyone associated with the school can act responsibly so we can avoid a nasty accident.



Not only have parents expressed their concern but so have the Police. I would not be surprised if they pay us a visit.

## MUSICAL KEYBOARD

Thank you so much Mrs Tremain for finding us a full size keyboard and to Mr and Mrs Blake who kindly donated it to school. Our music tutors are delighted and many of our children will benefit too.

## Wonderful donation

Following the fabulous cabaret Mrs Sheehy provided for us last year she managed to obtain some work for another event. Her generosity has overwhelmed us and she has donated her share of her earnings. A wonderful £110 for refurbishing of the hall!

## BOX TOPS AND MORRISONS LET'S GROW VOUCHERS



Please continue to send in your vouchers - the boxes are in the office/library. Thank you.

## FUTURE DATES

Harvest Festival	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> October
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Open Afternoon for Prospective Parents	Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October
Parents' Evening	Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October
Parents' Evening	Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> October
Break up for half term	Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> October
INSET days for staff	Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> and Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> October
Return to school	Mon 31 <sup>st</sup> October

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