

# S.P.S.N.

## Silverhill Primary School Newsletter

6/2009/2010 (16<sup>th</sup> October 2009)



### DIWALI

Today the children enjoyed a 'light and colour' day and an assembly to celebrate Diwali. They were entertained by Indian dancing, Indian drums and the children acting the story of Rama and Sita. Many thanks to Mrs Patel for providing a colourful selection of saris for the staff to wear and also to Mrs Mistry and Mr Ruparelia for providing samples of Indian food.

Mrs Freeston and Miss Gallagher also presented an assembly yesterday as a follow up to their visit to India during the summer holidays. This visit was undertaken as part of the initiative linking our school with other schools abroad and was funded by the British Council.

### FAIR TRADE CAFÉ

Many thanks to everyone who joined us in the hall for the Fair Trade Café yesterday. Information was also available on Permaculture and we hope that everyone who attended found it very helpful.

### TRANSITION TRAINING WEEKEND

Transition Derby is hosting a 2-day "fundamentals" course for those wishing to know how to set up, run and maintain a successful Transition Initiative. The course will be held on Sat & Sun, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> January 2010. The cost for the two days is £110 per person. The venue will be in or near Derby City. For more information and updates please visit the website – [http://www.transitionderby.co.uk/?page\\_id=210](http://www.transitionderby.co.uk/?page_id=210)

### LATE APPEARANCE OF THE NEWSLETTER

With apologies and thanks for your patience. Unfortunately the newsletter has sometimes been late being added to the website this term. This was mainly due to a problem with the program we use to transfer the newsletter to the website. Hopefully this has now been resolved and normal service should be resumed from this week!

### PARENT-GOVERNOR VACANCY

We are very grateful to Mrs Kennedy-Lathwell for filling one of our parent governors positions for the last two years and we are very sorry that she has been unable to continue in this valuable role. You should have received details of how to apply for the vacancy and we look forward to receiving your nominations by the deadline – Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October. The dates of this year's Governors' Meetings are listed overleaf.

### AUTUMN GARDEN PARTY

**Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November  
3.30 – 4.30 p.m.**

**Come and join in the leaf litter collection and clearing the willow from around the hen run.**

**Please bring your own tools – brushes, rakes, shovels, secateurs and gloves.**

**Refreshments provided afterwards**

Please see overleaf for an update to 'Dates for Your Diary'

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY -ACADEMIC YEAR 2009 – 2010

W/B = Week Beginning



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| Tuesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> October           | Y3/4 - Visit to Tudor Day at Woolaton Hall                        |
| Friday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> October            | School closes for half-term holiday                               |
| Monday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> November            | School re-opens   |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> November  | Bike-it Training – Year 5 and Year 6                              |
| Wednesday, 4 <sup>th</sup> November         | Classes 1T & 1/2P - Visit to Pickford House                       |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup> November | Parent consultations  |
| Wednesday, 11 <sup>th</sup> November        | Y1 – Visit to All Saints Church                                   |
| W/B 16 <sup>th</sup> November               | Anti Bullying Week  |
| Thursday, 19 <sup>th</sup> November         | Workshop and café for parents and pupils                          |
|   | Governors' Meeting 7.00 p.m.                                      |
| Friday, 20 <sup>th</sup> November           | P.T.F.A. Non-uniform day in exchange for Christmas Fayre donation |
| Friday, 27 <sup>th</sup> November           | P.T.F.A. Christmas Fayre  |
| Tuesday, 1 <sup>st</sup> December           | P.T.F.A. Committee Meeting 7.00 p.m.                              |
| W/B/ 7 <sup>th</sup> December               | Christmas Productions   |
| Thursday, 10 <sup>th</sup> December         | Y1 & Y2 – visit to Derby Pantomime                                |
| W/B 14 <sup>th</sup> December               | Christmas Parties / Discos  |
| Thursday, 17 <sup>th</sup> December         | P.T.F.A. - end of term discos                                     |
| Friday, 18 <sup>th</sup> December           | School closes for Christmas holiday                               |
| <b>2010</b>                                 |   |
| Monday, 4 <sup>th</sup> January             | INSET Day – children not in school                                |
| Tuesday, 5 <sup>th</sup> January            | School re-opens for pupils  |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup> January | Year 6 Residential journey to Lea Green                           |
| Thursday, 28 <sup>th</sup> January          | Governors' Meeting 7.00 p.m.                                      |
| Friday, 12 <sup>th</sup> February           | School closes for half-term holiday                               |
| Monday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> February           | School re-opens   |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> March     | Year 5 Residential journey to YHA, Ilam Hall                      |
| Thursday, 11 <sup>th</sup> March            | School Photographer   |
| W/B 15 <sup>th</sup> March                  | National Science Week   |
| Thursday, 18 <sup>th</sup> March            | Bike-it Training – Year 3   |
|   | Y1 & Y2 – Gym competition / Tag Rugby Festival                    |
| Friday, 19 <sup>th</sup> March              | Bike-it Training – Year 4 / Sport Relief                          |
| Thursday, 25 <sup>th</sup> March            | Governors' Meeting 7.00 p.m.                                      |
| Thursday, 1 <sup>st</sup> April             | School closes for Easter holiday                                  |
| Monday, 19 <sup>th</sup> April              | School re-opens   |
| Thursday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> April            | Governors' Meeting 7.00 p.m.                                      |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> April   | Y4 Residential journey to Lockerbrook Activity Centre             |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> & 13 <sup>th</sup> May     | Y3 Residential journey to YHA, Castleton                          |
| Friday, 28 <sup>th</sup> May                | School closes for half-term holiday                               |
| Monday, 7 <sup>th</sup> June                | School re-opens   |
| W/B 21 <sup>st</sup> June                   | National School Sports Week                                       |
| Monday, 21 <sup>st</sup> June               | KS2 (Junior Dept) Sports Day                                      |
| Tuesday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> June              | KS2 Sports Day Assembly (a.m.)                                    |
| Wednesday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> June            | KS1 (Infant Dept) Sports Day – a.m. only                          |
|   | KS1 Sports Day Assembly – p.m.                                    |
| Thursday, 1 <sup>st</sup> July              | Governors' Meeting 7.00 p.m.                                      |
| Friday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> July               | School closes for Summer holiday                                  |