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St Bert's News  
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### Welcome Back!

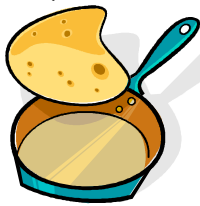
We hope you all had a lovely weeks rest and are ready for the busy half term ahead.

A special welcome goes out to the Lumley Family who have just returned from France along with their new addition, Nicholas. Welcome home from all at St Bert's!

### Family Worship

This weeks Family Worship will be led by John Beaney. Tradition at St Bert's is to celebrate 'Fat Tuesday' by cooking pancakes. John and Mrs Barron will be making pancakes - lets hope John remembers last years cookery lesson!

Hope you enjoy the smell as you walk through the school.



Please join us for tea and coffee afterwards in the staff room. (Just to remind you that next Tuesday there will be a Talkshop following assembly).

### Problems, Problems, Problems!!

Thank you so much for making the effort to walk to school this morning. Despite the ice and the school building work, everything seemed to go like clockwork.

Unfortunately, we are unable to offer parking for family worship tomorrow as the teachers are using the playground as a car park.

The end of the day will obviously be more difficult than the mornings with the building work going on. Please be as patient as you can and if possible avoid coming to school in your car. We have arranged for no deliveries of building materials at peak times. Parents will only be able to enter the school via the side gates (Norton Lane/Nortonwood Lane).

### Drumming

There will be drumming lessons this week as usual.

### Fairtrade Fortnight

This week sees the start of Fairtrade Fortnight. You might see the Fairtrade symbol in various places around school. The children will be learning about



'Fairtrade'. St Bert's will be supporting the Fairtrade principal by having a Fairtrade tuck shop. The children will be able to buy lots of different products all of which have been produced by farmers around the world who are receiving a fair price for the food they produce. The Fairtrade stall will be in the hall starting next Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2010. The tuck shop will be brought along by Hilary our Fairtrade friend from Warrington market.

### Raffle Tickets

Attached to this newsletter are 5 raffle tickets for our Grand Easter Raffle, they are 25p each. Please send your money in and make sure you put your name/telephone no. on the back of the stub. Thanks.

### Raffle Prizes

We constantly need donations of raffle prizes for various events throughout the year. Of late a number of parents have volunteered some wonderful prizes from their places of work. If you know of any companies who offer such donations, then please encourage them to bear us in mind. We are currently asking for raffle prizes for Grandparents Afternoon at the end of this half term. Thank you!

### Dinner Money/Milk Money

This terms milk money will be £5. If you wish your child to receive milk, please send your money in an envelope marked with your child's name and teacher. Cheques to be made payable to Halton Borough Council.

Can we please remind parents that dinner money is £2 per day £10 per week. Cheques also need to be made payable to Halton Borough Council.

### Parents Reading Group

St Bert's will be hosting a reading group led by Carla (one of our parents)



from Halton Lea Library. The meetings will be held every

second Wednesday of the month 9.15 am until 11 am in the library at St Bert's. The first meeting will be on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2010. Places are limited to 12 and will be allocated on a first come first served basis, please email [carla.higgins@halton.gov.uk](mailto:carla.higgins@halton.gov.uk) to register your interest.

### Norton Priory

Looking for something to do at the weekends, or on school holidays, why not take a look at Norton Priory. They have events on all through the year such as holiday activities, tours of Halton Castle and Down the Rabbit Hole. For more information visit [www.nortonpriory.org](http://www.nortonpriory.org) or tel: 01928 569895.

### Bikeability!

This Wednesday is the start of Bikeability.

A large number of our Y5/Y6 children will be



undertaking a brief course designed to encourage safe cycling. All children involved should have received a letter giving details.

### Nature Detectives

Come and join the Nature Detectives. Families with children in Murdishaw and Windmill Hill have been out

into their woodlands this winter finding out more about the birds and wildlife there. The Nature Detectives Club is completely free and was set up by The Woodland Trust to give opportunities for us all to enjoy learning about the natural world using games and outdoor activities. The next meetings are at Vale Community Church (Murdishaw) on Saturday March 13<sup>th</sup> and Windmill Hill Playcentre on Sunday March 14<sup>th</sup>. All meetings start at 10.30am and finish at 12.30pm. Bring warm clothing, waterproofs and wellies. For more info call Mac Carding on 07821 173357.

### For Sale

Hi Chair. Coverts to low chair. Hard wearing. 5 point harness, 3 position reclining seat. Good condition. £30.

Britax SI (asis) car seat. Birth - 18kg, comes with insert for new born - 5.5 kg. Forward and rear facing. 5 point harness. Reclines. Excellent condition. £40

Britax car seat. 9 -18kg Excellent condition. 5 point harness. Reclines £30.

Jeep travel system pram. Has all accessories. Good condition. £40.

Tel Liz 07534946038.

### **Portraits**

Every couple of years we hire a professional photographer to come into school and take family portraits. The photographs are in black and white or colour and are of an exceptionally good quality. The price is usually approximately £20 for your 15 minute session (which includes a framed portrait). Additional photographs can be ordered from the shoot!

This year our photograph sessions will be on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2010. Booking details will follow shortly.

### **World Book Day**

March 4<sup>th</sup> is World Book Day which is always celebrated at St Bert's. In the past we have had book mark competitions, photograph competitions and dressing up competitions. This year our competition involves the creation of a book badge! The theme for the badge must be centred on a story, a character or a book from somewhere around the world. Thinking caps on!!!

### **Woodland Sculpture Project**

Would you like a visit to the Grizdale Forrest in the Lake District on the 6 or 7<sup>th</sup> March

2010. The Woodland Trust are organising a project which invites parents to take their children to see woodland sculptures and then to come back and create some for our locality the following week. This is a community project which is completely free of charge. You must be available on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2010 for the sculpture workshop. If you are interested then please telephone 01606 42667.

### **Outstanding Debts**

We have now paid for the recent residential visits and transport for Tattenhall and Burwardsley. Could you please send in any outstanding payments asap. If you have any problems, please call in at the school office.