

APRIL 2010

Penn Fields School Summer Term News Letter

Quick Check - Diary Dates

MAY

3rd — Bank Holiday

10th — Yr 9 Residential to Gelliweg

MONDAY 17th — Inset Day (school closed to pupils)

31st May—4th June HALF TERM

JUNE

7th — School re-opens to pupils—World Cup Week

25th—Yr 11 Leavers Assembly

28th — Green Week

30th — PARENTS EVENING

JULY

7th — Yr 7 Outdoor Adventure day to Wildside

14th — Summer Fair

20th — Lower School Sports Day

21st — Upper School Sports Day

23rd — Last day of Summer Term

SEPTEMBER

2nd— School re-opens to pupils

Please keep this page as it contains important information for the coming term.

ASSEMBLY ROTA SUMMER TERM 2010

DATE	CLASS/STAFF
Monday 26th April	EG's Literacy Group
28th April	Mr Hussain
6th May	Class 11
Monday 12th May	Class 1
19th May	IJ's Literacy Group
Monday 24th May	Class 4
26th May	Mrs Callister
HALF TERM	
Monday 7th June	No Assembly GCSE Maths
9th June	No Assembly GCSE Science
16th June	No Assembly GCSE Science
Monday 21st June	KH's Literacy Group
23rd June	Class 2
25th June	2pm Yr 11 Leavers Assembly
Monday 28th June	Class 10
30th June	Recycling assembly
Monday 5th July	OUTREACH
7th July	Mr Yates
Monday 12th July	Class 3
14th July	No Assembly Yr 10 RE Exam
21st July	FM/RR's Literacy Group

Assemblies normally take place on a Wednesday at 9.55am, unless specified differently above. Occasionally assemblies may have to be cancelled or the dates changed. If there is any doubt, please telephone the school on 558640.

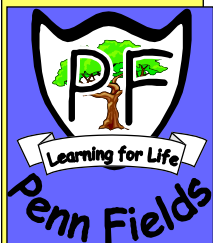
IMPORTANT

Please remember **MOBILE PHONES** should not be brought into school by pupils. The school cannot be responsible for the safe keeping of phones. Only independent travellers are allowed to bring their phones into school, and these **MUST** be handed into the office at the beginning of the day

School Dinners
 The cost of school Dinners is £1.80 per day. This should be paid weekly (£9), in advance, on the first day of the week. Please ensure you give the office at least a weeks notice if you wish to change your child's meal arrangements

Breakfast Club
 If your child attends Breakfast Club, the cost is £1.50 per day, payable on the day or paid weekly in advance, on the first day of the week.

Milk Money
 If your child is in class 1-4 and you would like them to have semi skimmed milk, the cost is £8 per term. Unfortunately we can no longer provide whole milk. This should be sent in by Friday 7th May at the latest.



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Sports Relief Day

On March 19th we joined in with what seemed like the whole country in supporting Sports Relief 2010.

As year 11 finished their exam in the morning, lower school welcomed Wolfie into school to join them as they ran 1 mile round the school field. An impressive run by Ryan Deakin saw him crossing the line first.

A marathon football match which lasted most of the day was played on the field and the playground

thanks to some wonderful weather and the help of Gavin from Wolverhampton Wanderers "Wolves in the Community".

Our friendly firemen also joined us for the mile and later organised some bikeability skills on the playground. Over the course of the day staff and pupils joined in the mile long run and a variety of other activities around the school including dance aerobics, bowling, curling, Wii fit activities, sock designing and a danceathon. Our day finished with a special assembly which reminded us why we had supported sports relief. A huge thank you to all parents, carers and friends who supported this very worthwhile cause by sponsoring the children on their run. We are delighted to tell you that we have raised and do-



Dear Parents/Carers/Governors/Friends

A big thank you to those of you who send cards/donations for Mr Brigginsshaw. Mr Brigginsshaw retires on April 30th after a long distinguished career at Penn Fields School. Mr Brigginsshaw asks to be reminded to you all and hopefully will feel up to visiting us soon.

Summer term looks to be busy one with many exciting activities for our pupils. Lets hope this year the weather holds out so we can have our sports day and also of course our Summer Fair will be on Wednesday 14th July.

I look forward to meeting you over the course of the term.

Miss E. Stanley — Acting Headteacher

Mask Project:

Class 9 have recently finished their mask project in Art with Mr Yates. They have been looking at the use of masks throughout history and from across the world.

The pupils enjoyed looking masks from the South American cultures such as the Incas and the Aztecs as well as their more modern use in films and tv.



Preparation for World Cup Week

Year 8, 9 and 11 pupils have started to look at two World Cup countries in preparation for the World Cup week during Numeracy lessons. I asked them to look at statistics about Germany and Uruguay. They considered time zones, currency, population and land area. The pupils involved produced very interesting and imaginative PowerPoint presentations in a very short time which were shared with the school during assembly. Stars were awarded for the best projects to Jessica Guy, Jay Beech, David Longmore, Sharanjit Binning, Paige Hickie, Stacey Corns, Sanjay Semic, Reuben Samuels



Youth Club



All ages of pupils at Penn Fields are having a great time at the school Youth club. Everyone that goes has a great time after school on Tuesdays or Thursdays.

They have fun taking part in swingball, table football, air

hockey, Wii and a lots of other great activities in and out of school.

The pupils involved are changing after Easter, so who knows the next pupils taking part might be you!



WMSSA Basketball Tournament

On Wednesday 3rd February Penn Fields entered two teams in the Basketball Tournament held in the sports hall of King Edward VI School, Lichfield. In both age groups, U14 and U16, there were six other schools competing.

Both teams improved as they progressed through the round robin competition. The U14 team finished in 3rd place overall and the U16 team finishing 4th overall.

The behaviour of all pupils was excellent and everybody enjoyed a well organised event.

The Hearing Impaired Activity Day

Thursday 11th March saw 9 hearing impaired pupils attend the Jennie Lee Centre with 20 other hearing impaired pupils from around Wolverhampton for an Active Kids Day, thanks to Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. The Wolverhampton Deaf Children's Society paid for a coach and all the drinks and biscuits at lunchtime and break. The day started with a Fun Fitness session, after break we all took part in a Street Hip Hop Dance session and after lunch Tae Kwan Do. During lunchtime all pupils worked together on a quiz and were set the task of asking all the adults in the room for one fact about themselves. The day ended with the winning team being announced - Team 4 - Miss Lloyd's team! Everyone had a chocolate egg as a reward for their excellent behaviour. All agreed it was great to meet up with other pupils who wear hearing aids.

Here are some of their comments :

"It was awesome! Everything was fun. I would like to do it again.

" Ijaz

"It was fun. The best bit was the quiz" Joshua

"I liked the Fitness. It helped me get in shape" Jamie

"The street dance was brilliant" Vincent

"I want to do Line Dancing next time" Keriann

"I liked the dance " Rebecca

"I enjoyed the dance and the Tae Kwan Do" Ashley



Sainsbury's and Tesco Vouchers

Please continue to save the vouchers and send them into school. Equipment bought is used by all pupils.

KS 1/2 Football Fixtures Against Haughton

27th April Yrs 3 & 4 —
Home

12th May Yrs 3 & 4 — Away

19th May Yrs 3 & 4 — Home

3rd June Yrs 5 & 6 — Away

9th June Yrs 3 & 4 — Away

Jack in the Box

Class One performed their assembly 'Jack in the Box' which was a story about kindness and being a good friend. Children enjoyed dressing up in costumes and ended the assembly with a special Jack in the Box dance.

This term Class One have been learning about old toys. Children went on a trip to Bantock House and had the opportunity to play with some old toys.



Class 2 at Cannock Toy Museum and Wolverhampton Wanderers

This term's theme about toys has been very successful, with the children having lots of opportunities to look at toys in the past and present. All the children enjoyed an interesting day of activities at Cannock Toy Museum.

Throughout the day the children participated in different activities including watching a Punch & Judy show, participating in traditional playground games, such as using whip n top, cup and ball, as well as making peg dolls.



Class 2 have been looking at different kinds of puppets. They have designed and made their own hand puppets. As part of their work they have been to Bantock

House to make shadow puppets and then performed a shadow puppet show.

Class 2 have enjoyed a trip to Wolverhampton Wanderers. They had a good look around the ground and the stadium. Everyone had lots of fun!



KS3 NEW CURRICULUM

On Friday afternoons, years 7, 8 and 9 have been taking part in various activities.

A visit by the vision impaired team showed the pupils how partially and totally blind people manage independently.

Wolverhampton road safety team have taken all of the pupils out into the surrounding area to increase their awareness of road safety.

Pupils enjoyed a session of team building in the snow and have learnt about Chinese New Year, Shrove Tuesday and Easter, (part of which was eating chocolate nests) as well as celebrating National Doodle Day.

There has been a visit by the local community police officer as well as fire officers. The pupils all made a mothers day present. We hope you enjoyed receiving their present.

WAITROSE

A thank you card was sent to Waitrose for the money which the school received as part of Waitrose's community project.

