

MILL RYTHE INFANT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Friends

Thank you to Mrs Lazell for leading the recorder group who played beautifully at 'Praise on the Plaza' last Sunday. Well done to the children who were able to come along, and also to the Mill Rythe Junior School pupils who volunteered to play with us at the last minute, and swell the numbers.

We hope that you all enjoyed your mid term break and we are looking forward to sharing a whole raft of events with you during the coming weeks. If you haven't received the newsletter about Pirate Day (2 July) please ask for one! First of these, of course, is the **annual FOMS Summer Fair this coming Sunday**. Please support the committee (a fantastic group of people) who have worked really hard to make this as enjoyable as always. Although the fair doesn't officially start until 1pm, offers of help - particularly from dads to help put up bunting and gazebos - are much appreciated. We aren't sure yet of the forecast but the fair will go ahead even if this glorious weather doesn't last and we have to hold it indoors.

The last of the 'Wear Your Own Shoes' days is Friday and this time we are asking Year R families to donate strawberries, and Year 1 and 2 families cakes for the cake stall. FOMS raise a considerable amount of money for school and have already passed over sufficient to purchase new musical instruments and some computerised weather stations. They have also given £2,000 towards work that the governors are planning - widening the path nearest Nursery Rhymes pre-school and making that space into an outdoor learning area. The Mill Rythe schools are

rightly very proud of our parent body - we appreciate the support you are prepared to give your children and the support you give us in giving the best possible provision.

Next week is 'Art and Poetry in the Environment Week'. We have managed once again to secure Steve Porter - Artist in Residence - and he joins us on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The theme this year is 'Friendship'. We aim by the end of the week to have produced some interesting and lively additions to the playground that will remind the children of how to look out for each other at playtimes. Last year you were very generous in helping to part fund Steve and we would be grateful this year again to receive any donations you wish to make. A donation of £5 will make all the difference to the costs that are incurred. If you do not feel able to contribute, your child's participation will not be affected in any way. Donations should be sent in a marked envelope by Wednesday 10 June please. Thank you.

Messy Church

The next Messy Church session will be on Thursday 4 June between 3.30 and 5.45pm.

Positive Parenting Program (Triple P)

Kids don't come with an instruction manual - if you are having problems with your child or teen, such as tantrums, bullying, sleeping or teenage withdrawal, or if you would like tips on what to expect through your child's development, then Triple P could assist you. Triple P programmes are run for parents of children aged 0-12 and Teens within the local area. If you would like to know more or book a place please contact Emma Crooks on 02392 466241 or emma.crooks@hayling.hants.sch.uk.

Mill Rythe Infant School - Art and Poetry in the Environment Week 8 - 12 June 2009

Child's Name Class

Please find a voluntary donation of £5 towards the costs of Art and Poetry in the Environment Week

Signed: Date