

## Coming Up

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February** : School Mass at 9.15 led by class 3 ~ all welcome. Beaumanor Hall meeting in school for parents and children at 3.45 p.m.

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February** : Class One assembly at 9.15 a.m. ~ all welcome. Foundation Stage (p.m.)

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February** : Music Extravaganza evening in school from 6.30 p.m. Children who are learning the flute, piano, keyboard and guitar will be performing for their families supported by their teachers from Barnsley Music Service.

**Lenten Preparations** : Please return any reply slips asap regarding participation in the 9.30 Masses during Lent at church.

**Impetigo** ~ We have had two cases of this in the last few weeks (in different key stages) and so some general advice from Barnsley Health Authority given to all schools:

**What is it** : Impetigo is a skin infection caused by bacteria.

**Symptoms** : It appears as a flat, yellow, crusty or weeping patch on the skin. People who have impetigo do not usually feel unwell.

**Spread** : It is highly contagious and spreads from person to person by direct contact with the infected skin or the hands of those with the infection. It can sometimes be caught from contaminated objects (e.g. clothes / books).

**Prevention** : Good standard of personal hygiene within schools at all times. Hands should be washed regularly with soap and hot water and dried on single use paper towels if possible. Prompt treatment with anti-biotics also helps prevention so you must see a doctor a.s.a.p.

**Exclusion Periods** : Children with Impetigo should be excluded from school until the skin is healed or until 48 hours after any treatment has begun. Contacts do not require exclusion from school.

**Cards in Class One** : We are putting a ban on children in class one bringing to school football cards and bracelets as they can lead all too easily to children falling out when their cards are lost, mislaid, etc. Many thanks for your understanding.

**Foundation Stage Trip** : This Friday all Foundation Stage are going to see the Lion who Loved at the Emmanuel Church. All part time children (morning or afternoon) need to arrive at school at 12.50 as the coach leaves at 1.00 p.m. If your child is part time and not going on the trip then please note nursery will be closed. Full time children in F2 arrive and leave as normal.

## Friends News

**Friends Meeting** ~ There is a Friends meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> February at the Bluebell Inn at 7.00 p.m. New members are always very welcome ~ don't be shy!

**Coffee Morning** ~ From 9.00 a.m. in the dining room. Why not stop for a coffee or tea after our school Mass and mix with the finest company on Shaw Street? Monies raised will go to the Wogan Family to support young Amy.

**Children's Disco** ~ a HUGE thank you to everyone who came along (and brought friends) to the Childrens Disco party. And to all of the Friends who came along (we really are a great team, even though I do say it myself!) Once again Mandy screamed her way throughout to give the children a wonderful time and cheer up a miserable January Afternoon! A good time was had by all and it raised a whopping £262.00 profit. We will definitely plan another so watch this space.

### \*\*Star Children! \*\*

Congratulations to the following children for receiving stickers in assembly...

**Y1** : **Caitlin** Ingham ~ for always helping others

**Y2** : **Maciej** ~ excellent vocabulary to do with opposites

**Y3** : **Dominic Treanor** ~ for doing really well with his maths

**Y4** : **Emily Keating** ~ for super work and excellent effort in maths

**Y5** : **Jessica Walker** ~ for improved confidence in maths

**Y6** : **Regan Beardsall** ~ for trying hard even with a broken hand. Regan also gets the special award ~ got to hand it to her!

And to Joseph Hurd and Sophie Major both in Y3 for reaching 20 team points. William Hutchinson, Marcin Bubliss and Thomas Wilkinson all received certificates for swimming 25m recently. Lewis Hamer brought his special certificate from the Mayor in for coming third in a competition ~ well done to all these fantastic children.

### Barnsley FC Half Term Camps!

Please find attached details of some great soccer camps for the half term holidays for children aged 3 - 4 (Mini-Kickers) and 5 - 11. Please note also they are running dance and cheerleading courses. If you haven't got a form you can either call in at school or phone the community office on 211333 for details. Pre-booking essential.

**Light Hearted Relief**.....What did one lightbulb say to another?

{I'm going out tonight!}

**Thank you for reading this newsletter,**  
**John Gregson**

