



Rhiwbeina Primary School



SUMMER NEWSLETTER JUNE 2009

Dear Parents

As the academic year draws to a close there is just time to pen a few more school details.

Summer Fete

It was lovely to see so many families, both present and past supporting the school and the FOR at the Summer fete.

The Friends of Rhiwbeina work extremely hard for the benefit of the pupils and monies raised this year will be used to purchase outdoor equipment for the Junior pupils as previous donations were used to provide equipment for the Foundation Phase children.

School Inspection

Thank you for the many congratulations the staff have received on our recent successful Inspection. The recommendations have already been addressed and will be monitored during the next 12 months.

Class Photos

For children in Nursery-Y5 you will receive a 'proof' photograph this week. Please return any orders as quickly as possible as there is a very short time for the photographer to print the orders required before the end of term.

Pupils in Y6 have been issued with a leavers photograph which you may purchase or return as appropriate.

Sporting Success

The School has achieved phenomenal success in the Summer Sporting calendar.

Our Y6 boys and girls teams and the Y5 boys team won the South Wales Tennis Championships. To lift the cups for three of the four events was amazing.

Congratulations to the teams, Mr Thomas, Mrs Williams and the parents who supported and assisted at the championships. Who knows? A future Wimbledon champion from Rhiwbeina!

Our boys cricket team won the Cardiff Schools Cricket tournament and represented Cardiff in the South Wales finals narrowly beaten in a nail biting semi final. The reward for winning the tournament was the opportunity to play a game during the lunch break in front of the vast crowd at the Ashes Series on July 9th in the Swalec Stadium. A truly memorable event for the boys! Congratulations to all.

The girls team acquitted themselves very well in both tennis and cricket, reaching the semi final stages.

Particular congratulations to Jamie Mills who has been selected to represent Wales in the National Under 11 Cricket Team.

Congratulations to David Kett (Y4) for winning the Cardiff Schools Chess Championship.

We will all enjoy supporting our Athletics team in the North Cardiff Athletics tournament this coming Thursday.

Many of our children achieve success in a variety of activities both in and out of school. We continue to celebrate their achievements every Thursday in our Achievement Assembly.

Transfer of Pupils

We are currently welcoming our new pupils to the Nursery and Reception Classes for September and preparing to say goodbye to the Y6 pupils as they depart for their various High Schools. There will be tears, apprehension and elation on the last day of term, but I am confident that all our pupils have been given a 'flying start' to embark on their High School Career. We will miss them and wish them every future success and happiness.

Y6 Parents

Our leavers Concert will be held at Rhiwbina Baptist Church on Wednesday 15th July at 7pm. This will be the final visit for many of you to our school as some families will be looking back at least a ten year association with the school. Your loyalty and support has been greatly appreciated over the years.

Staffing

We welcome Mrs Hadley and Mrs Hopkins back to the school at the end of term following their maternity leave.

Sadly we say goodbye to Mrs Grimes and Mrs Bloor, as their temporary contracts come to an end. Mrs Green also leaves us at the end of term to live in Switzerland following her husband's promotion.

We send our warmest wishes to them and her twin boys.

We also say a final farewell to Daisy and Gautham as they relocate to different parts of the country. Also to Misaki and Chinastu who return to Japan, after spending a year with us.

What an impression these two girls have made in a year! They have brought so much of their culture to our school, but in return have embraced all elements of our Welsh heritage. We will miss them greatly as they return to Tokyo on the 10th July.

Rhiwbina Festival 4th and 5th July

Our dance team are performing on Saturday 4th July at 11.00 am and the School Choir in the Gamanfa Ganu at Beulah Church Sunday at 8.00pm.

Inset Days 2009/10

Please note school will open for pupils on Monday 7th September as we are holding 3 Inset days on the 2nd 3rd and 4th September.

The other Inset day already confirmed is for Monday 4th January 2010. The remaining dates for 2010 will be communicated as soon as possible.

School closes this term on **Monday 20th July.**

Wishing you all a restful and relaxing summer holiday.

Kind Regards

Mrs C A Harry
Headteacher

