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MILTON CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Website: www.miltonprimary.co.uk

January 25th 2008

Dear Parents/Carers

Parent/Teacher Consultations

Thank you for signing up for an appointment to talk to teachers about your child's progress. Confirmation slips have been given to the children today. Please can I remind you that if you have a concern that will take more than 10 minutes you will need to make an appointment on a separate occasion.

Headlice

We have had a few cases of head lice reported; please can I ask you to check your child's head regularly.

Information on supporting your child with mathematics

Thank you to those parents who came to the mathematics workshops last term on subtraction. Based on the feedback from you, these were found to be useful, and some of you asked for more of the same to follow. For those of you who would like more information, and perhaps were unable to come to the talks, there is now a progression of calculation on the school website. It is found under curriculum and then mathematics. At present, this relates to how children learn subtraction whilst at school, but it is planned that over time more of the 'four rules' will be covered similarly.

Katy Pike

School Travel Plan

Thank you to all parent/ carers who returned the questionnaire about how your child travels to/from school. Your responses have been very informative and the School Travel Plan Working Party is busy analysing all your answers, alongside those of the children, in order to inform our School Travel Plan. It is quite clear that the health and safety of the children is paramount and that issues regarding speeding traffic, safe crossing places and the safety of the entrances into school etc. are very important. All of this will be considered when the travel plan is written; we hope that the plan will be finalised by the end of February. **Alison Lycett**

Safer Cycling

Each year a team of parents run a safer cycling course for our year 6 children. County run courses for parents that would like to be trained as a 'Volunteer Cycling Instructor'. If you are interested the following one day courses are available starting at 9.15 and finishing no later than 3pm. There is no charge for this training and lunch is provided on the day:-

- Tuesday 19th February 2008 - St Ivo Leisure Centre, Westwood Road, St Ives
- Monday 25th February 2008 - Hereward Hall, County Road, March
- Wednesday 19th March 2008 - Cambridge Professional Development Centre,
Foster Road, Trumpington, Cambridge

If you would like to book a place or would like more information then please contact us at the office.

Yours sincerely

S J Dorrington
Head Teacher

Milton Country Park – Dates for the diary

January - Sunday 27th, Big Garden Birdwatch. An activity for children and families. Come along and find out more about birds and take part in the Big Garden Birdwatch event at the park. Meet at the Visitor Centre, 10.00 am.

February - Sunday 10th, Nest Box Making. Families can make a bird box to take home. All materials and tools supplied. Turn up at the Visitor Centre on the day, no booking required. 10.00am to 4.00 pm. £5.00 a box.

March - Sunday 16th, Trees Love Care Day. Join a ranger helping young trees in the park get some TLC. Planting is not enough you need to help trees as they grow by loosening ties, weeding and removing guards. Meet at the visitor centre at 10.00 am.

Sunday 23rd Easter Sunday Treasure Hunt. A mixture of questions to tease your brain while walking round the park. £1.50 per person wanting a small reward at the end. 2.00 pm start at the visitor centre.

February half term is a coming as well as what could be two big events, bird boxes and treasure hunt. We could use some volunteers I think for the kiosk for a day or so during half term week (Feb 11-15), if you can help then please contact Malcolm on 420060 or email miltoncp@scambs.gov.uk. Then we have bird boxes (Feb 10th) and Easter treasure hunt (March 23rd) and will need volunteers as usual for these 2 events. Certainly for the half term in the kiosk we need to know as soon as possible. **Malcolm Busby**