



# Preston Primary

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Dear Parents,

## **Harvest Festival**

Thank you to everyone who came along and supported our Harvest Festival today, it was lovely to see you all. Once again your generosity amazes us. The total raised for the 'Hands of Love Orphanage' is £335. A tremendous effort from everyone!

The winners of the raffle prizes are, 1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Mrs Matthews, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Mr Quince, 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: Mr Ellis, 4<sup>th</sup> Prize: Mr Hewitt, 5<sup>th</sup> Prize: Mrs Heslop.

Just a reminder that school closes for Half Term tomorrow, Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October and re-opens on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. When we return, 'Parent Consultation Lists' will be available outside each classroom for parents to sign up for an appointment with your child's teacher.

## **Book Fair**

Some of you may already be thinking about Christmas. If so, our annual Book Fair is being held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November. The Book Fair will be open at both Parent Consultation Meetings.

## **New Early Years Development**

During the Half Term break, installation of the services such as gas, electricity and water will be put in place for the new development. Work on the building itself is due to start around Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November. Although the contractors endeavour to keep any disruption to a minimum, some is usually inevitable.

Our main concern when we have builders on site, is always the safety of the children. No vehicles will be allowed to enter or leave the grounds between 8.30 and 9.10 a.m. and from 2.45 to 3.30 p.m. or during lunch or break times. Nearer the start date, I will inform you of any changes we may need to make regarding access to the school grounds.

## **School Meals Taster Days**

It was wonderful to see so many children staying for the 'Taster Days.' I'm also delighted to hear that a number of children are now planning to stay for School Meals. Half Term is a good time to change especially with the colder weather heading our way.

If your child does wish to change from packed lunches to school meals or vice versa, please ensure you inform Mrs Ennions, School Office, by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October.

**Elmwood Entrance**

A number of parents have expressed their concern about cars pulling into the south entrance to the school and then reversing out into Elmwood Road, once children have been dropped off. This is so dangerous when children are arriving at school and often crossing that road unaccompanied. Could I please ask that parents who are bringing their children by car, park in either Elmwood Road or Chestnut Road and walk the children into school so that there is no danger to any of our children.

Your help with this matter is much appreciated.

I hope everyone has an enjoyable Half Term break.

Yours sincerely,

Shirley Winters (Mrs)  
Head Teacher