



Baldwins Gate CE(VC) Primary School

*Opening Gates with Learning, Faith and Care
Where Everyone is Special*

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NEWSLETTER 1: Monday 12th September 2011

Welcome Back!

Can I begin by welcoming everyone back to a new school year and say how delighted we all were to see the children. I would like to welcome to our school community the Stowe family and it is lovely for Jenny to have joined us so that she can be part of our community with brother James. I would like to extend a warm welcome to all our new families.

Congratulations to the Willis family on the birth of Daniel and to the Buckley family on the birth of Edie.

I would like to say how very proud we are our reception children who have settled beautifully and our nursery children who have also settled and are busy playing happily.

Thank you to all the staff who have been in during the summer to ensure that everything was ready for the children.

As you can see we have been busy during the holidays improving the school environment. Can I thank the PTA for the lovely wooden benches and tables – all we now need is some sunshine! We have had good news that Mr Hurst is on the mend and is now back at home.

During the next few days you will have rather a lot of letters – these are important as we need to update our records. It would help us enormously if these could be returned promptly.

Clubs have been organised and are outlined below and you will find overleaf a list of diary dates for the term.

This year we are aiming to enhance our curriculum and all classes will be having a French lesson led by Mrs Wendy Hadfield. Our junior children will also be having whole class instrumental lessons; years 3 and 4 will be enjoying violin and brass for years 5 and 6. Instruments are hired by the school – but practice at home will be needed! Our instrumental teachers from the county music department are in school next week measuring hand spans and arm lengths etc. More details will follow once all pupils are armed with a violin or brass instrument.

I would like to reiterate that at Baldwins Gate we are committed to working in partnership with all parents and that your ideas and concerns are important to us. If you have any queries please don't hesitate to ask your class teacher.

Once again welcome back to what promises to be an exciting year full of learning.

Clubs this term

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Judo Guitar	Cookery (Mrs Candlish organising) Netball (start date to be confirmed)	Football (years 2-6)

WHITMORE OPEN DAY – SATURDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER - TOMBOLA

Mrs Candlish is organising and running a tombola stall for the school at Whitmore Open Day on Saturday from 10.00 am – 1.00 pm. If you have any suitable prizes for the tombola that you are willing to donate, would you please bring them into school before Friday. Many thanks.

**Zumba starts on Tuesday 13th September from 7.15 - 8.15 pm and is £4.00 per session.
Further details can be obtained from Claire on 07952 083599.**

**Slimming World takes place in school on a Monday from 7.00 pm.
For further details, please contact Jane on 07801 526183.**

VACANCIES AT HUGO MEYNELL PRIMARY SCHOOL: Hugo Meynell Primary School has a vacancy for a Lunchtime Supervisor and Casual/Relief Catering Assistant. Please contact Mrs Atkins in the office at Hugo Meynell on 01630 672287 for further details.

Baldwins Gate Primary School Diary Dates for the Autumn Term 2011

Tuesday 20 th September	4.30 pm	Governors Strategic Committee Meeting
Friday 23 rd September	Afternoon	Class 4 start swimming lessons
Tuesday 27 th September	4.30 pm	Governors Meeting
Friday 30 th September	9.30 am	Harvest Service in school (parents are invited) <i>(In aid of the Kenyan Orphanage and Hospital)</i>
Wednesday 12 th October	3.30 pm onwards	Parents Evening for Classes 1, 2 and 3
Thursday 13 th October	3.30 pm onwards	Parents Evening for Class 4
Tuesday 18 th October	4.30 pm	Governors Finance Committee Meeting
Friday 21 st October		Break up for Half Term
Monday 31 st October		INSET Day – School closed to pupils
Tuesday 1 st November		Children return to school
Thursday 3 rd November		Class 3 to visit Coalport China Museum, Ironbridge Class 4 to visit Enginuity, Ironbridge <i>(Information regarding this trip will follow)</i>
Tuesday 8 th November	Morning	Tempest Photographer in school for individual photos
Friday 2 nd December	3.30 pm	Christmas Fayre in school
Tuesday 13 th December	1.30 pm	Christmas Concert (afternoon performance)
Wednesday 14 th December	7.00 pm	Christmas Concert (evening performance)
Monday 19 th December	10.00 am 6.30 – 8.00 pm	Christmas Service (at Whitmore Church) (parents invited) School Disco
Tuesday 20 th December		Christmas Lunch in school Break up for Christmas Holiday
Tuesday 3 rd January		INSET Day – School closed to pupils
Wednesday 4 th January		Children return to school