



# Hardwick Community Primary School Newsletter

17th December 2008



Dear Parents,

We were planning to put a longer newsletter together today and tomorrow but the incoming weather conditions mean we thought it was better to write a quick one today instead! According to the forecast at the time of writing this, it looks as though there **could** be significant amounts of snow tonight, and continuing into tomorrow morning. Whilst a white Christmas is a rather magical thing, as you can imagine it's a bit of a nightmare when you are trying to second guess if the snow really is going to turn up, how heavy it will be, and what the state of the roads are going to be like in the morning... So here is the drill for tomorrow just in case!

1. Tonight, make childcare arrangements if we have to close the school tomorrow.
2. Tomorrow morning listen to Radio Cambridgeshire to see if the school is closed.
3. OR phone Parent line on 08447 707576, school code 47546. We will put a message on there as soon as we have made a decision when we see what the weather is like in the morning. Please don't try to phone the line before 8.00, as it is unlikely we'll be putting on a message before then as it does take us a while to find out both local conditions and also how many staff are able to get into school, and we have to bear in mind how the weather conditions might change during the day from the morning forecasts.

Severe weather warnings aside we hope you all have a really wonderful Christmas, a brilliant New Year and you either remain in, or regain, good health! Thank you too for all your many good wishes, especially to those very kind parents who have given home-baked food and goodies to the adults in the staffroom over the last few days! We hope you all have a very joyful, and peaceful Christmas, and a Happy New Year!

The new term starts on **WEDNESDAY 6th January**.

Andy Matthews & Ruth French

## Christmas Events

We hope you all enjoyed the vast range of events over the last two weeks that demonstrated your children's many talents! The DVD of the KS1 play will be ready to collect at the end of the day tomorrow, we will be selling them from directly outside the Y1/2 door, so come with your money then! Thank you all for your whole-hearted support of your children, they are all tired but justifiably proud of their achievements!

## Diary Dates for next term

**Term Begins WEDNESDAY 6th January**

Week of 8th Feb Book Week

**Half term 15th to 19th February**

**End of term Thursday 1st April**



## A Message from St Mary's Church

Goodbye to Kevin Browning (vicar extraordinaire)

After 8 years, Kevin leaves Hardwick and Caldecote just after Christmas, for a vicar's post in Cranham, near Upminster. He's willingly performed countless 'hatch, match and dispatch' services in our area, as well as being a listening ear for many of us, and we've appreciated his humour and normality!

Come and say thank you / goodbye to him:

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> December, 6.30pm to 9.30pm Caldecote Village Hall**

Hot /cold drinks and mince pies will be provided, and feel free to bring a bottle.

There will be a book in which you can write a message to Kevin and his family, and the opportunity to make an optional donation for a collective leaving present.

## Dinner Money

The cost of school dinners for the next half term is as follows

Daily  
**£2**

Weekly  
**£10**

Half Term  
**£56**