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Dear Parent/Carer,

The term is now beginning to fill up and become busy so please read on to see about the latest dates and initiatives!

READING AND ICT EVENING 9/11/11

Hopefully you all remember the invite from the previous newsletter to come and have a chat about how you can help your child with their reading. This is now going to become an ICT awareness raising evening as well! There are so many changes taking place in the world of technology that it is hard for us all to keep up with the children. We would like to help you understand what is happening at school and the ways in which learning at home will change for some of the time. We hope to have our Virtual Learning Platform (VLE) up and running more effectively very soon and this will mean more communication through the computer from staff to children and parents. If you have a computer at home with internet access it is important you try to come to the meeting so that you can see how best to support your child. We will also then have a very informal chat on how to help your child with their reading which after all is the most important skill they

need for life. I do hope as many of you can come as possible. Please sign the slip at the bottom of this newsletter if you intend to come. Thank you.

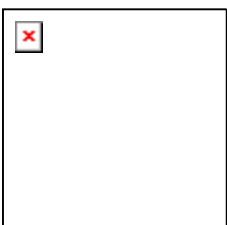
FREE CINEMA TICKETS! 19/10/11

I have been successful in the application for free tickets to watch "The Diary of a Wimpey Kid" at the Cineworld, Yeovil on Wednesday morning, 19th October. This will be for all KS2 children (from Years 3-6). Unfortunately the bid for some tickets for the KS1 children was unsuccessful. The reason for this opportunity is because it is National Film Week and the cinemas are supporting the use of films in education initiative. The cake raffle fund will support the coach fare so there is no cost for you but please sign the slip at the bottom of the letter to say that your child can go. Thank you.

Whilst I am talking about films please don't forget the **PTA Film Night** on October 20th after school. There will be more details about this event from the PTA.

HOUSE COMPETITION AND BOARD

Our inter House Competition this term is going to be a talent Show! The children



are quite excited at this prospect so if you hear them practising you know why! It will take place on 16th November in school time. Please can you help to remind your child/ren also that they have some homework to do for the House Board.

They can be as creative as they wish in producing something to do with their topic. This means that hopefully the House Board would have examples of local and national facts. It can be a drawing, collage, piece of writing, information from the internet, or anything they can think of. Thank you.

HARVEST SERVICE

This is just to remind you that our Harvest Service will be on **Tuesday 18th October at 2pm in the Church.** I hope to see you there. You are invited to come back to school for refreshments after the service.

NIGERIAN VISITORS

Thank you to those of you who have offered to help with the welcome party for our visitors but I still do not have a definite date for their arrival. I do know it will be after half term but that is as sure as I can be at the moment. I may have more information from them when I meet the schools on my visit so we can get together then to plan for their arrival. It would be fantastic if any of your children were bored over half term that they do some research on Nigeria, especially the northern part as Kano is the city where our link school will be.

PARKING

Please do not park in the staff car park even if it is for a short time as there have been occasions when staff cannot get into school or out due to parents' cars blocking the entrance. Thank you.

WEAR IT PINK DAY!

We are supporting the Breast Cancer Charity on **Friday October 14th** so please make sure you and your children are wearing something pink! Needless to say there will be a price to pay but the School Council will be writing to let you know what you have to do!

I appreciate this is a "busy" newsletter but please put the important dates in your diary and sign the reply slips if it is pertinent to you.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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