

Westdale Junior School

Newsletter

Spring Term 4

Thursday 12th
February 2009

Half Term Holiday

We break up tomorrow for our half term holiday after what seems an incredibly quick half term. We hope that you all have an enjoyable break and are able to enjoy the time with your children.

The children return to school on **Tuesday 24th February**. We look forward to welcoming them back at the normal time of 8.40am.

Parents' Survey

Coming home tomorrow night with your child should be a questionnaire about communication. We hope that you will take the time to complete this short survey so that we can improve the ways and times that we make contact with you. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings will be taking place after half term on **Tuesday 3rd March** and **Wednesday 4th March**.

Letters will come out after half term.

Year 6 SATs Information Evening

We would like to invite all parents of children in Year 6 to a short information evening about SATs on **Wednesday 11th March at 6.30pm**.

We hope that this will answer some of your questions and give you an insight to the tests your child will be taking in May.

Text Messaging



In our bid to improve communication with parents even further, we are trialling a system which allows us to send text messages to the mobile phone that you have registered with the school. This service can be used for short or emergency contact or to keep you up to date with the latest information. The system even has an attendance feature which we will explore later in the year.

You can respond quickly and easily to messages using the reply feature on your phone.

We will be able to send messages to individuals, groups such as "Year 5—Remember to bring sandwiches for trip tomorrow", to classes or the whole school.

This has been used in other schools locally and has been greeted enthusiastically by parents.

We hope that it will also be successful for us.

Non Uniform Day

Remember Non Uniform Day

Tomorrow

Bring 50p

as a contribution towards developing our Arts Week in May.

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter.