Whitechapel Primary School
Newsletter VII

Autumn Term 2008 **1st Half**

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Dear Parents

Well, holiday time is almost here. The children (and Staff) are suitably tired and ready for a break from routine. I wish you all a happy relaxed time and welcome you back on Tuesday 4 November. Time is marching on and it will be "C word" time before very long. And now for further news …….

- **Roper Party. Friday 7 November 3.00–5.00 p.m.**

It will soon be the day when all our children take part in a special party. The traditional party takes place on the first Friday in November thanks to John Roper who died many years ago. He asked and left money in his will so that all the children in Whitechapel could enjoy a party. Every year we try to do something different and worthwhile.

This year we are having a Lego Workshop culminating in the development of a full model village. At about 4.15 p.m. all the children will enjoy a party tea, prepared by the St James church wardens and helpers. Some time through the party we all sing John Roper's favourite hymn: "As With Gladness Men of Old".

The children will need to be collected at 5.00 p.m., at the Village Hall. Thank you.

- **WICE Bonfire. Reminder – Sat. 8th November**

Tickets are in school! Adults cost £7 and children £3 including hot pot supper and sweet. Adults also receive a glass of mulled wine. The bonfire will be lit at 6.00 p.m. with food served between 6.30 & 7.30 p.m. and a firework display at 7.00 p.m. Please try to support this event.

- **Phoenix Brochures**

Phoenix orders should be received this week. We are many brochures short this time. Has anyone found any lurking at home? Please return them, if possible, otherwise our profits are cut.

- **Green Valley Textiles**

Another fantastic collection this week with £332.50 being raised. Keep recycling!

- **Menu Leaflet Information**

You recently received a new menu for School Lunches in which there were a few errors.

Week 1 (Wednesday) Baked Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise and Week 1 (Friday) Baked Potato with Salmon Mayonnaise were both designated as Vegetarian dishes when neither of these are.

Also, Catering Services would like me to let you know that the chicken we use is of British origin.

- **PTFA Culinary Evening – 2 December 2008**

More information will follow but please could you put this date in your diary? Alex Coward, of Thyme Restaurant, has kindly agreed to host another Culinary Evening. He will demonstrate some festive recipes and also introduce some special wines and glassware into the proceedings. Last year's was a great beginning to the Christmas preparations – so please join us again this year.

To follow on, don't forget to book your places for the PTFA "Christmas Do" at Thyme on 11th December. (see PTFA news overleaf).

- **100 Club**

Our first winners for this year are:

£30 Judith Meredith
£20 Cathy Farrer
£10 Bill Catterall

- **Poppies on sale, 4 – 11th November**

British Legion Poppy Appeal will begin straight after half term. Please give generously by sending in money, with your children, in exchange for poppies to wear for all the family. Year Six will be bringing the collection box around the classes every day until 11th November. Many thanks.

Best wishes

Louise Jones