



# Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

January 2009

'Welcome' back and Happy New Year!!

We have lots of events planned for you for this next half-term so please see the list on the last page and note the dates on your calendars!! If there is anything not planned that you are really keen for us to do please tell your child's teacher or Mrs Gowland and we'll see what we can organise.



We look forward to seeing you at the next event.

Liz Massey

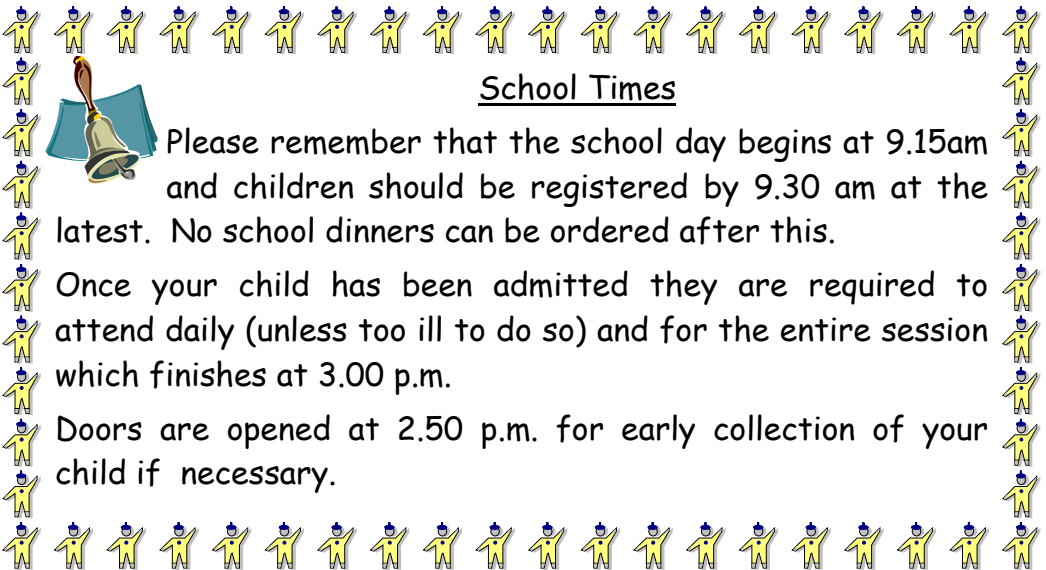
Headteacher.

## School Times

Please remember that the school day begins at 9.15am and children should be registered by 9.30 am at the latest. No school dinners can be ordered after this.

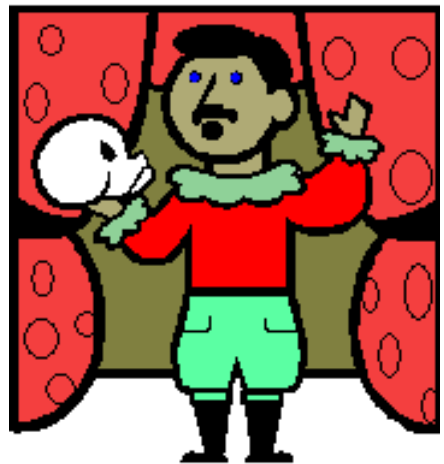
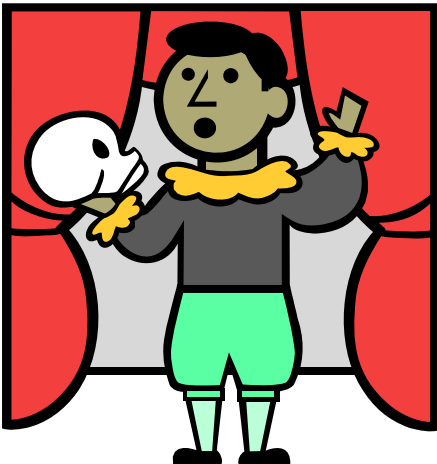
Once your child has been admitted they are required to attend daily (unless too ill to do so) and for the entire session which finishes at 3.00 p.m.

Doors are opened at 2.50 p.m. for early collection of your child if necessary.



# Competition Time

To be or not to be that is the question?.....  
But how many differences can you see?



Spot the Difference Competition January 2009

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Prizes for the first 3 correct answers!**

# Nursery School Admissions for September 2009

Forms have now been distributed for children requiring a nursery school place in September 2009. If you, your friends, or neighbours have a child born between 1st September 2005 and 31st August 2006 and would like a nursery school place but have not had an application form, please see Julie in the office. The closing date for Nursery School applications is Friday, 13th February.

Treehouse Café is now open from 9am on every morning except for Wednesday's so why not call in for a drink and a snack before school.



## Parenting Tips

Being a parent is a very demanding, but rewarding job. No matter what age your child is we all need good ideas to help make life easier and happier. **Triple P Parenting** groups have proved to be a great way to find out good ideas in a fun and friendly session. If you are interested in taking part see Kate Gowland for more information and find out for yourself just how good these sessions are!!

"I make time for myself."

"We talk to each other now."

"My home is much calmer now and I no longer find myself shouting all the time."

"I enjoy the children now."

**Triple P worked for me**

## Nursery Rhymes



We have begun our weekly "Learn a Rhyme" project so do remember to look at the display which shows you what the rhyme of the week is. Learning Nursery Rhymes with your child gives you some fun, quality time together. It also helps your child to hear and practise using new words and to develop rhythm skills which are so important to know to promote reading skills.

## **Family Health Day**

There is a Family Fun Day at Bentilee Neighbourhood Centre on Tuesday 17th February

11.00-2.00pm



to promote healthy life-styles. Everyone welcome to join in games and fun activities, and a chance to win a Nintendo Wii !!

Check out our new website at [www.bentileenursery.org.uk](http://www.bentileenursery.org.uk)

## **Diary Dates**

### January

#### **Tuesday 20th**

Story/Library at 2.30 pm—  
guest storyteller is Amy  
from Bentilee Library.

### February

#### **Thursday 5th**

Problem Solving, Reasoning  
and Numeracy Stay & Play  
Session 9.30—10.15am

#### **Tuesday 10th**

Story Library at 2.30pm  
with guest storyteller—

Mr Rob Johnstone

#### **Thursday 12th**

Communication Tips for  
Young Children.

A talk by

Michelle Johnstone from  
Stoke Speaks Out at  
9.30a.m.

#### **Mon-Fri 9-13th**

Parents School Meals Week

Come and sample a dinner  
from this weeks menu  
served in Treehouse Café

#### **Friday 13th**

School closes for  
Half-Term

#### **Monday 23rd**

School Re-opens