



NEWSLETTER

6th December 2007



AFRICA CARIBBEAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION (ACDF)

Next Wednesday 12th December we are delighted to be able to welcome performers from the Africa Caribbean Development Foundation into South Norwood Primary. They will start off with a whole school performance, followed by workshops for our Year 6 children.

At 2.30pm, the performers (including Year 6) will be performing to the whole school and if you are free, please do come in and enjoy the festivities. It will take place in the Junior Hall – **all parents of all children in any year group are very welcome.**



I am delighted that performers from the ACDF will also be at our Christmas Fair on Sunday 16th December. They have also set up a free Street Dancing workshop during the last week of term, (the children will be given details about this) and we are looking forward to the steel pan sessions that they will be running after Christmas. This is an important community link for us and we warmly welcome them to South Norwood Primary.

HMI INSPECTION

Our scheduled 1-day monitoring visit took place last Thursday. It does take some time for the official feedback letter to be issued but I can inform you that we are judged to be making "satisfactory progress". This was what we had expected in light of the progress we are making and also in terms of the amount of progress that needed to be made. Everyone in school worked really hard (staff and children) to make the outcome of this monitoring visit successful and the focus will obviously continue as we work towards our Ofsted Inspection in March. As soon as I receive the official HMI monitoring letter, I will obviously send out a copy of this to you.

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

Just a reminder of the dates for the Christmas Performances this year:

Infants: Tuesday 18th Dec 2.30pm and Wednesday 20th Dec 9.45am

Juniors: Tuesday 18th Dec 9.30am and Wednesday 20th Dec 2.30pm

Please complete the slip on the letter that you will soon receive to indicate whether you will be attending – this will give us an idea about seating. As you may be aware, the format this year is different and each class will be playing a small part in the overall performance. This means that there will be more parents/carers attending, so space in the hall will be tight. For this reason, not all of the children will be in the hall at the same time.

CAR PARKING

A reminder that parking on the yellow zig-zag lines continues to be, and always will be, illegal. We do expect all parents/carers to respect this law as well as giving the safety of all children at the school your highest priority.

Parking in the school car park at the front of the school (Crowther Road) is strictly for staff only. At no time is it acceptable for any parents/carers to park their car in this area unless with the express permission of myself or Mrs Hopgood.