

# DUNANNIE THURSDAY LETTER Issue 6

13<sup>th</sup> October 2011

Dear Parents

Yesterday's Harvest celebration was so enjoyable. The children sang so well, spoke in clear voices and dramatised their poems in creative and innovative ways. The Nursery excelled themselves too, dancing rhythmically and exploring the movement of leaves. We thoroughly enjoyed listening to Ken as he re-told the story of Thanksgiving to us all in a lively and imaginative way. The contributions from you all were packaged beautifully and will be gratefully received at Stonepillow and Ramscote. The Library was absolutely stunning and I want to say an enormous thank you to Alex who led her hard working team of Gemma, Lucy, Tracey, Genevieve, Maike, Shuna and Emma to create such an amazing autumn spectacle. Thank you too to Melissa and Rebecca who delivered all the goodies to our friends in Petersfield. We hope to be seeing them again at Christmas time.



Year 3 can hardly contain their excitement as they prepare for their Viking Day tomorrow! All will be dressed appropriately as they spend the day building a 22 foot Viking Ship and taking part in many other traditional Viking activities. There will be no burning of Viking ships but it will be here for all to see at 3pm tomorrow!

On Monday at 4pm in the Library we shall be having our first Dunannie Performers' Platform where those children who are learning a musical instrument and wish to perform, will do so to their parents and friends. I am really looking forward to it!

Don't forget that next Thursday is the Great Dunannie Bake Off in aid of Hounds for Heroes. The charity is based in Petersfield and we hope Alan will be visiting soon to talk to the children about how these amazing dogs can help their heroic owners. So in the words of that popular Saturday evening dancing programme



Best wishes

Jo

**.....Get Baking!!!**

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## REMINDERS FOR PARENTS

-  **FODS Coffee Morning:** Next one will be on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November.
-  **Recycling materials needed please:** Swallow Club needs some junk for modelling (please bring to the office) and Year 1 need wrapping paper tubes – to their classroom please.
-  **Reception Assembly:** This will be next Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October at 9.00am.
-  **Under 8 Netball/Football festival:** This was listed in the date list but is now cancelled.
-  **Bedales Students Lunchtime Concert on Tuesday 18th October at 1.00pm in St Peter's Church, Petersfield.** Please come and join us for our annual lunch-time concert at the parish church of St Peter's in Petersfield. Admission is free and we will be providing an entertaining concert of choral and instrumental music. The concert will last for one hour and coffee will be on sale in the church.
-  **Dunannie Performers' Platform - Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October 4.00pm:** A list of performers is on the board in the entrance hall. You are welcome to come and support our musicians.

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## YEAR 1 NEWS

Dear Parents,

What a super day we had on Friday when Bridget took us to the Bakehouse at Bedales where Peter, Carole, Susan and Liz explained about the bread making process. From a safe distance, Peter opened the oven and then explained how it works. We were amazed at how much heat we could feel on our faces from the burning logs.



We watched the Bedales students adding apple into the dough. Carole told us that different flours and flavours are made, including Mars bars! We had a good look around the barnyard too and watched apple pressing happening. It was exciting to see the ongoing Outdoor Work projects including the Land Rover which is being re-built, an open top carriage and the structure for a new building.



In the afternoon we enjoyed tasting a currant loaf and a granary loaf. Carole had kindly given us some delicious Bedales strawberry jam to have with it. The smell was wonderful, the loaves were still warm and everyone agreed the bread was "yummy", "gorgeous", "delicious", "can I have some more", "can we have this bread for snack every day?"

We will be making our own rolls and tasting them.



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Your children enjoyed using pulses and beans to make portraits of their faces which are to be displayed on the cupboards in the corridor. What a lot of thought went into the choice of colours and textures. Here are a few happy faces!



We are building a collection of our favourite toys for our history work – nothing too precious, fragile or valuable! We'll be looking at them and talking about them before we investigate toys from a long time ago. If you have any that you'd be happy to show us do let me know.

With best wishes

Amanda, Dorota and Anne



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