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Dear Parents,

 **HARVEST WEEK:** A big **THANKYOU** for all your support during our Harvest Week, it was lovely to see so many of you supporting the children. We collected £188.13 for our chosen charity Children's Hospice South West – well done to everyone !

 **CURRICULUM LETTERS:** You should have received your child's curriculum programme for this term. Apologies that this information has come home late, but we have been working on a more flexible and creative approach to certain aspects of the curriculum, and have been waiting to finalise this for all years. If you haven't received your copy yet, please let us know.


 **OPEN EVENINGS:** Thanks to those parents who came into school this week to discuss targets with class teachers, we hope you found this informative.


**?PTA QUIZ NIGHT:** Have you sorted your team for the Quiz Night yet ? Questions cover a wide range of topics and general knowledge, so there's something for everyone. Please let a member of the PTA know if you have a team, or let us know in the School Office.

 **ENTRY TO SCHOOL:** Devon County Council are consulting on one point of entry into school rather than the current two. This would mean that all reception children would enter school at the same time in September each year after their fourth birthday, unless parents choose to delay admission. There are many implications, and the consultation is to hear what all interested parties think. Anyone is invited to have their say and contribute to whether Devon formally considers a change, which would be from September, 2010. Please go online at [www.devon.gov.uk/speconsultation](http://www.devon.gov.uk/speconsultation) or email [onepointentrymailbox@devon.gov.uk](mailto:onepointentrymailbox@devon.gov.uk) by 30<sup>th</sup> November.




**SOMETHING FOR HALF TERM:** During half-term next week, why not get your child to enter the PTA's Christmas Fayre poster competition. Details are on the back of this newsletter. **Please sellotape the 50p entry fee on the back of your child's poster**, and send entries into school on 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

 **PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY:** Three nominations have been received for the vacancy on the Governing Body. Voting papers will be coming out to parents straight after half-term.

 **SENSORY GARDEN:** The contract for the work on the Sensory Garden has been awarded to PLandscape of Exeter, and they will be starting work during the half-term week. The area will be fenced off while the work is being undertaken, and parents are asked to make sure that all children are kept away from the area.

**④ ⑥ ⑦ MATHS WEEK:** Maths Week is the week beginning 3<sup>rd</sup> November, straight after half-term. A variety of activities have been arranged for the children to experience. On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November all classes will be having a 'games' afternoon, and would like to invite parents in to play games with them.

 **GOODBYE:** We say a temporary 'goodbye' to Mrs. Lucy Bessant who begins her maternity leave at half-term. We wish her well for the future, and wait to hear the news (which will be relayed to you as soon as we know it).

We all hope you have a relaxing week with the children - see you after half-term.

Yours sincerely,

David Pugh, Head teacher