

St Mary's RC Primary Swinton Newsletter

Happy New Year for 2008.

WATER BOTTLES

We have used a 'healthy schools' grant to provide all the children in the school with water bottles. We have also put the name on each bottle with indelible marker. As I'm sure you are aware we have always encouraged the children to drink water during the day as this keeps them alert and healthy. There are a few guidelines we need to use to make sure the bottles are used in the best possible way. The bottles must be filled at home NOT in school. The water in the main taps in school is not drinking water. If your child finishes the water in the bottle he/she must then use the fountain.

Only STILL WATER must be put in the bottles - not flavoured or 'fizzy' water and no other flavourings or drinks. The teachers will inform the children where to keep their bottles in the classroom and any class rules that will apply.

SCHOOL FUND

Can I thank all the parents who remember to send in their donations for the school fund. Unfortunately some parents have forgotten to send in their contributions and the school fund is very low. As you know part of the money goes towards paying our catholic diocese towards your child's education. If there is no money in the fund we need to pay our school's contribution from our school budget, which is very low. I would be grateful if you could send your donation of £20 as soon as possible. This amount covers the whole year.

RUGBY

YEAR 4 and YEAR 3

This Thursday and every Thursday for the next few weeks the children from year 3 and year 4 will have the experience of learning how to play rugby. Mrs Morgan and Mr Sullivan class will commence this week and we will inform Mrs Raynor's class when they are to commence rugby. Please ensure the children bring the appropriate clothing for this sport. The children **MUST** not wear their best clothing.

The clothing suitable is listed below:

Old trainers.

Socks.

Jogging bottoms and a jumper.

Tracksuit.

APPLICATIONS

Applications for Nursery and Reception 2008 are now closed. Can I remind you that your child's attendance in the nursery does not automatically guarantee a place in Reception. We are required by law to consider all applications for Reception as stated in our admission criteria.