

Ursula Taylor C of E (VC) Lower School
Newsletter
28th January 2010

Groupcall – text messaging

In a previous newsletter I mentioned that we would be introducing text messaging to parents. Those of you with older children will be already be used to this form of communication. We shall soon be able to send text messages to your mobile 'phones, but this will only be used when we need to give the whole school or large group the same message eg school closures of any kind, reminders and cancellations of trips and events, expected time of arrival when returning from a school trip, parents' evenings and general information. All text messages sent from the school will have 'GROUPCALL' displayed at the top of the message and then our school name. We will be able to see from the school when the message has arrived in your 'phone and so will know if you have received it. You cannot reply by text to these messages. If we are asking for information please telephone the school or put the information in writing or by e-mail.

Would you please provide us with ONE mobile number you would like us to use for text messages and state which member of the family this belongs to by completing the form overleaf. This will not replace any of the emergency numbers you have already provided.

Fund-raising

I would like to thank everyone for supporting our fund-raising event last Friday. I am very pleased to tell you that we raised £250, (including £33 raised by Owen and Sam's cake sale) for the Ugandan street children, which will enable Matilda and Innoucent to continue in their education this year. On top of this, the extra donations sent in for the Haitian earthquake appeal amounted to £65.00.

Food Policy Questionnaire

We have received a huge response to the food policy questionnaire. Thank you to everyone who took time to complete it and to add some very useful comments.

Credit Union

We have had two volunteers to run the Credit Union savings system. We now need two more people to help out on a Thursday morning from 8.40-9.10am so that we can get the 'bank' started. Please could you let me know if you would be interested.

Families of children in Years 3 and 4 – Internet Computer Access

Families on a low income and with a child in Year 3 or 4 may be eligible for a free computer and / or Internet access. Please see the attached flyer. For any further information please speak to me.

Would you like to improve your skills in maths and gain a qualification?

If there are any parents who would be interested in studying for GCSE or Level 1 or 2 in maths please ask for further details, either from myself or at the office.

L M Fraser

Contact Details for text messages

Please return to the school office

Child's name : _____

Class : _____

Parent's name : _____

Mobile 'phone number : _____

Home 'phone number : _____

Work 'phone number : _____
(if applicable)

Please tick if you do not have a mobile 'phone number

