

# Miles Coverdale School

## Parents and Community Newsletter

Autumn Term 1 2011



### PARENT SURVEYS

Thank you to the parents who have recently completed and returned the parent survey which was sent out with pupils last week. If anyone still has a form, please complete it and return it to your child's class teacher or directly to Ms Graham. We really value your opinions and need your feedback to help move the school forward.

### ESOL Classes

During last summer term, three of our adult ESOL students passed an Entry 2 & 3 English exam successfully. Congratulations to Ilham Ali, Hoetham Ahmed and Nimo Egac who have now progressed to Level 3.

Both ESOL classes have proved very popular again this year. The Advanced class is completely full but there are a few spaces left in the Beginners class (Wednesday 9.30 - 11.30am). Please contact the school or Miss Charmaine if you are interested.

### ICT Classes

The ICT suite had an equipment refresh over the summer holidays. Our new computers are much quicker and are also more environmentally friendly. This update has proved very popular with pupils and the staff.

Additionally, there are now two levelled adult ICT classes on a Tuesday (morning and afternoon).

While the advanced class is mostly full, the uptake on the beginner's class has been disappointing. We are hoping that more beginners (Tuesday 9.30 - 11.30am) will take this opportunity to improve their ICT skills. For a 10 week slot, the total cost is £20 (which covers all lesson fees, printing and equipment usage).

Please contact the school or Miss Charmaine if you would like to sign up or gather more information.

**Please remember to sign and out when attending classes. This is vital to ensuring your safety and the safety of all children at Miles Coverdale School.**

## Zumba

To celebrate Black History month, we will be holding a FREE Zumba class for any interested parents on Thursday, 3rd November from 9.15 - 10.15am in the bottom hall. The children will also be taking part in lunch time Zumba lessons on Friday, 4th November during their play times.

There is a chance that we will offer Zumba lessons regularly for a small fee, provided there is enough parent interest.

## School Website and Twitter

Please take the time to check out our improved school website. The site now includes:

- A rolling bulletin with latest news.
- Class Pages, including newsletters.
- Photographs.
- Twitter link.

The website is <http://www.milescovdaleprimary.co.uk>

Also, if you are signed up to twitter, please follow the school for regular updates, photos and information. Follow us @MilesCovSchool.

## Upcoming Events

- **Family Action Drop-in for Parents:** Thursday, 10th November morning in the Parents Information Room.
- **Citizens Advice Bureau:** Finance Management Training for any interested parents. Dates to be confirmed for next half term. Please contact the school if you're interested.
- **Mend It:** This programme will remain **free** to interested parents until further notice. The sessions will restart 16th January after school. Any interested families are welcome.
- **Sewing Lessons:** Adult Learning are offering **free** sewing lessons. All materials and equipment will be supplied. These weekly lessons will start in January. **If anybody has an old sewing machine that could be donated to the school, we would greatly appreciate this contribution.**

If you would like to support the Parents and Community group, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Barbara Graham & Charmaine Douglas  
Parents and Community Group