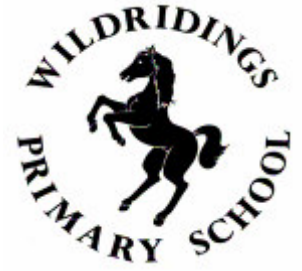




# CHRONICLE



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**INTRODUCTION** We are pleased to present this edition of our school newsletter the 'Chronicle' which covers events and activities in the school from February to March – the second half of the Spring Term 2008. Six editions of the 'Chronicle' are produced each school year so this edition is the fourth in volume 17. In addition to the copy taken home by the children, the 'Chronicle' is posted or emailed to a large number of friends and acquaintances of the school. It is a record of school life and many people keep their copies as souvenirs of their time at Wildridings. I hope you enjoy your copy of the 'Chronicle' and that parents will find time to read and discuss the various items of news with their children. *R.D.Donaldson and J.C. Evans.*

## CHARTER MARK CELEBRATION DAY

Earlier this term, the school received notification that it had been awarded a fourth Charter Mark. Everyone connected with Wildridings was delighted at this news as the Charter Mark is a highly prestigious award for excellent service in public sector organisations and we are the only school in this area to hold it. The school was assessed by Mr G Pritchard and the citation reads "**We are pleased to congratulate Wildridings Primary School on the renewal of its Charter Mark**". The report goes on to include, "There is a warm, open and supportive culture evident in the school which is praised and welcomed by pupils and parents alike". Special mention was given in the report to our excellent support both for children with special needs and gifted pupils, Information Technology, Newsletters and Extended Services. We would like to thank **Mrs Jessica Wilson** for her invaluable assistance in the application process. Our local MP **Mr Andrew Mackay**, who has a long association with our school, and Councillor **Alan Kendal** visited recently and congratulated everyone on this unique achievement. They were also very interested in the Co-Headship succession plan in place at our school and visited every classroom.



Mr R Crossley from the Happy Puzzle Company with a Year 6 Group



VIP Guests Andrew Mackey MP and Cllr Alan Kendall with a Reception Group

On Tuesday 18th March, we held a special Celebration Day by inviting **The Happy Puzzle Company** to work with our children. Our usual work was set aside for the day and the children were occupied with a vast range of interesting and exciting challenges to test out their problem solving skills. Everyone enjoyed this unusual day and the school has bought a collection of puzzles for use in classrooms. It is planned to organise a **Puzzle Club** as a new extra-curricular activity next term.

