



Newsletter

Lowdham C of E Primary School
THURSDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER 2009

Dear Parents and Carers,

Just a short Newsletter to welcome you back and give you some initial dates for this half term as soon as possible (see attached sheet). We have been very busy over the Summer. The Capital bid we secured has been put to good use. We have new doors, windows and an additional room. The all-weather pitch has also been refurbished and fenced.

Inside classrooms staff have prepared an exciting curriculum for the children and have liaised closely to ensure that all pupils make good progress.

Class letters will be going out shortly, together with Reading Diaries for KS1 and Planners for KS2. In addition, you will receive a Data Collection sheet (all classes except Reception who had them last term) for your child/children which must be returned to school as soon as possible. The contact numbers and email addresses you provide will be used to set up a new communication system from school to parents and carers which will help us to maintain good communication and to strengthen our partnership with parents.

A major focus this year will also be spelling and handwriting so please support us in this.

SCHOOL DINNERS

Just a reminder that dinners now cost £1.90 per day. Meals to half term are £68.40 (36 days x 1.90) and £134.90 for the full term (71 days x 1.90). Please ensure that meals are paid for in advance, on a Monday by cheque if possible. Cheques to be made payable to NCC (Nottinghamshire County Council). Please place in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name and class and the number of lunches you are paying for. The menus are available on line on the Nottinghamshire County Council website.



NETBALL COACHING

Netball sessions for KS2 children will start running again from Thursday, 10th September and then every Thursday evening (excluding school holidays), 6-7pm at the MUGA on Old Tannery. Cost is £2.00 per session plus a registration fee. Just turn up with trainers, a drink and warm clothes (gloves) if it is cold. Please call Kath Roberts on 9663024 or Julia Hulme on 9664248 for more information.

UNIFORM

You can order school uniform at any time during the school year. Order forms are available in the entrance hall to school. Please send your order and payment in to the school office. Orders normally take 1 -2 weeks to come and are given out in class for your child to bring home. We have been given some leaflets regarding name tags for uniform. You can order these on line from www.MyNametags.com or get an order form from the office. Please, please ensure all of your child's uniform is named.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Just a reminder – please send in payment for the group photographs that were given out last year or return the photograph to school if you do not wish to purchase it. The photographer is calling in at the end of next week to collect payments.

Finally – we very proud to present our new website www.lowdhamprimaryschool.co.uk. As always, please contact us if you have any concerns.

Best wishes

Mrs Rattenberry

Dates for the first half of the Autumn term 2009 so far:

Monday 7th September 6pm - Y5 Parents' meeting for the residential visit.

Monday 14th September 6pm - Y6 Parents' meeting about Secondary School admissions, SATs and Sex Education.

Wednesday 16th September – Climate Cops in school for Y4 and Y5.

Wednesday 23rd September to Friday 25th September - Y5 to Caythorpe Manor.

Thursday 24th September -Years 3 and 4 visit to Sherwood Pines.
Strategic Development Committee 4.30pm.

Tuesday 29th September -Year 2 visit to Wollaton Hall.

Wednesday 30th September – Reception Parents' Reading Meeting.

Thursday 1st October -Years 5 and 6 visit to Sherwood Pines.

Monday 5th October 6.15pm – Full Governing Body meeting.

Monday 12th October to Friday 16th October – Assessment Week.

Thursday 15th October 2pm - Harvest Festival.
Finance and General Purposes Committee 5pm.

Tuesday 20th October - Photographer.
Parents' evening 4 – 7pm.

Wednesday 21st October - Year 1 visit to the Brewhouse Yard.
Parents' evening 4 – 6pm.

Thursday 22nd October - Visit to the school by the Bishop of Natal.

Friday 23rd October – INSET Day

We return to school on Monday 2nd November 2009.

There will be more dates to follow when we have finalised our after school clubs and Christmas activities.