

Newsletter



LOWDHAM C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL
MONDAY, 28th SEPTEMBER 2009 – 'Making Decisions 2'

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been lucky to have had such fantastic weather so far in September. Y5 had an amazing time at PGL and Years 3 and 4 learnt so much through their pond dipping at Sherwood Pines (photograph below). We hope that the sunshine holds for Y2's visit to Wollaton tomorrow and Years 5 and 6's visit to Sherwood Pines. Thank you to staff who visit the venues before hand to ensure that these experiences off site support the children's learning. Finally, a massive thank you to staff who led the residential – looking after 29 children for days AND nights is very tiring.



Planners at KS2 and Reading Diaries at KS1

Please sign these at least weekly. All children need to read at home and to record this. Research shows that children who are supported in this way are more successful.

Website updates

Remember there is lots of information on the website including our School Prospectus, previous newsletters with dates and links to the school menu.

www.lowdhamprimaryschool.co.uk

Miss Spurry has begun to look at uploading information on how to help your child at home and we will put recent visit photographs there for you to view. Watch this space!

Open Day Reminder

If you have or know someone with a child born between 01 September 2005 and 31 August 2006 please come to our Open day on **October 13th**. I will be showing groups around the school at 9.30am and 1.30pm. If this time is not convenient I am happy to arrange another.

Colonel Frank Seely School are holding an Open Evening for prospective Year 7 pupils on 1st October, 6pm till 8pm.

Reading Meeting this Wednesday

A reminder to our new Reception parents that there is a meeting to inform you about reading in the school on Wednesday 30th September at 6pm.

'Friends of Lowdham'

We have a very pro-active parents and friends of the school group, who do a fantastic job of fundraising. We would like to invite **all** interested parents and carers to the school for an Open Meeting and the AGM on **Tuesday 6th October at 3.30pm**. This meeting will take place in the hall and we will accommodate children. Future meetings will be in the evening, but we wanted to ensure that parents, who can't manage a later meeting, could register an interest. Dates for the future evening meetings will be available shortly.

Music Lessons

We have 1 spare woodwind place. Please see Mrs Murden in the office. Please send in payments as soon as possible. For proficient players we have had an offer to lead a group/orchestra. If your child plays an instrument outside school and would like to be part of this group, please let me know as soon

as possible. We intend to start small and build the group. The children need to be able to read music.

Clubs

We run clubs in school and also sign-post children to activities out of school. If you have information on any out of school opportunities, please let us know. **Still a few spaces in some of the clubs below:**

| | Lunchtime | After School |
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| Monday | | Cheerleading course for Years 4, 5 and 6. |
| Tuesday | Sewing Club for Y2 and 3 Orchestra Basketball Y5 | |
| Wednesday | | Spanish for Years 3 and 4 |
| Thursday | Choir KS2 | |
| Friday | | |

Mathswizards are returning after half term.

This Week:

- On Tuesday Year 2 are visiting Wollaton Hall to support their work on habitats and homes.
- On Thursday Years 5 and 6 go to Sherwood Pines for activities linked to their Science work on animals and habitats. If you have not yet sent in the permission slip and payment please do so.
- The Pupil and Personnel Committee for the governors meets at 5pm on Thursday 1st October.

Next Week:

- 05.10.09 Full Governors' meeting.
- 08.10.09 High Five festival at Seely with Year 5.

Christmas Dates!

03.12.09 Reception visit to Mrs Christmas.
08.12.09 Nativity performance 2pm.
10.12.09 Nativity performance 6pm
11.12.09 Christmas Fair 3.30pm
KS2 service date to be finalized this week.

NOTICES FROM THE STAFF

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| Year 4 PE days are Wednesday and Friday. Kit should be in school on these days. |
| Parents and Carers are still parking outside school - Please DO NOT park directly outside school, on or opposite the yellow zig zag lines. These areas must be kept clear – they are designated safety zones!! |
| Children <u>are not</u> permitted to ride scooters and bikes in the playgrounds before or after school. |
| School dinners must be paid for in advance of the meal being taken. Money should be sent in to school on a Monday morning please in a clearly marked envelope. £1.90 per day. |

Hollygirt School Girls Singing Day

Hollygirt are inviting Year 5 and 6 girls to a free singing day at the school. This will be held on Saturday, 17th October, 10am until 3.30pm. If you have any enquiries please call Mr Turner or Mrs Nuthall on 0115 9580596.

Lowdham Colts Under 11's - Blacks Football Team

Training is on Wednesday nights 7 to 8pm at Calverton Leisure Centre. Matches are usually held on Saturday mornings. Please contact Carl McCourt on 07976 516641 or Richard Vicky on 07739 908805 for further details.

Village Bulb Planting – 11th October

Building on the success of last year there will be another event 12pm to 3pm at the Village Hall. Any help would be greatly appreciated on the day. Please contact Roz Taylor on 9663531 for further details.

If you are concerned about anything please let us know by popping in to school or phoning or emailing us:-

admin@lowdham.notts.sch.uk
head@lowdham.notts.sch.uk

In any large group of people there will be problems. The strength of Lowdham CE Primary School is that we have a dedicated group of experienced professionals, who deal with those problems according to guidelines.

Mrs Rattenberry