

Newsletter



LOWDHAM C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL
MONDAY, 5th OCTOBER 2009 – 'Making Decisions 3'

Dear Parents and Carers,

Yet another award!

On Wednesday of last week Mrs Murden and I had our final assessment for the Financial Management Standard in Schools Award. We have passed and have another logo to add to our Green Flag, Investors in People and Healthy School Award. Well done to Mrs Murden, who gathered all our evidence!

'Friends of Lowdham' – TOMORROW!

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. See the attached invitation.

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.



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.

Year 2 at Wollaton Hall



Class 2 had a fantastic time at Wollaton Hall last week. Thank you to all the parents who came to help on the trip.

Music Lessons

We have 1 spare woodwind place. Please see Mrs Murden in the office. Please send in payments as soon as possible.

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

There are 2 choir sessions this week as we did not manage to fit it in with the visits last week.

Mathswizards are returning after half term. We have had an offer of Tag Rugby and we are particularly interested in linking with any other local sports.

Poetry Day – Thursday 8th October

Eve from The Bookcase will be coming in to share some poems with us and the School Council have suggested today that pupils could write poems at home to bring in on Thursday. Small prizes for the best will be up for grabs!

This Week:

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

The Next 2 Weeks:

- 12.10.09 Roger Fearnside for assembly
- 13.10.09 Open Day
- 15.10.09 Harvest 2pm – all welcome
Governors' Finance
Committee 5pm
- 16.10.09 Calendar photographs
- 20.10.09 Individual photographs
Parents' Evening 4-7pm
- 21.10.09 Y1 to the Brewhouse Yard
Parents' Evening 4-6pm
- 22.10.09 INSET Day and break up for 1 week, returning on Monday November 2nd.

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
14.12.09 KS2 service at St. Mary's 6pm

Harvest

The School Council have decided that we should buy goats, ducks and worms through the Christian Aid gift scheme. Please send in loose change to fill large socks in each classroom – these are to represent the worms (which are used by developing countries to improve soil quality). As in previous years there will be a prize for the class that raises the most money. Fresh produce and tins should be brought into school on the day of the

Harvest Festival 15.10.09 and will be given to support homeless people.

NOTICES FROM THE STAFF

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 are not 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 Vickery 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

You can also let us know if you are pleased with how things are going – this helps us to stay sane!

Mrs Rattenberry

Our website is:

www.lowdhamprimaryschool.co.uk