

# NEWSLETTER



**MONDAY, 2<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER 2009 – ‘Getting On’**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back. I hope you had a good week. We had a very exciting end to the term with the visit of the Bishop of Natal. He arrived with photographers from the Evening Post (we were featured on October 24<sup>th</sup>), the Newark and Southwell Advertiser and the Southwell Diocesan magazine ‘C’. We were the only school he visited, he was extremely impressed by the questions the children asked and he has invited us to make a link with a school in Natal. He described worship in South Africa and helped us to understand that Christianity is a world wide religion. The Rt Rev Philip Rubin, Bishop of KwaZulu-Natal puts his faith in to action. He worked with human rights campaigner Steve Biko at the height of the apartheid struggle and was even placed under house arrest for a time. The Bishop is to receive the International Bremen Peace Prize in Germany shortly.

## **Bishop of Natal’s Visit:**



## **Harvest Update**

The total raised was £310.25. Thank you so much for all your contributions of food and money. The Beacon Project to whom the food was donated have sent a lovely letter of thanks which is displayed in the school entrance hall. This is what the classes decided to buy with all the money that was raised:-

Reception	Herd of Goats
Y1	A brood of Chickens, a wormery and 16 ducks
Y2	Ducks, chickens, a goat and a wormery
Y3	A wormery, 16 ducks and a goat
Y4	1 goat and a wormery
Y5	A brood of chickens and a goat
Y6	A brood of chickens

## **Photographs**

Apologies for the cancellation of the photographer, who was due on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October. She was ill and was only able to inform us on the morning. The session to take individual photographs is re-scheduled for 9<sup>th</sup> November. Family photographs will commence at 8.30am. The proofs will be sent out for you to decide if you would like to purchase them.

Also, Sam Kirby who does the lovely calendars is holding family portrait days in 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> November. Please book a slot at the school office. Sessions cost £25.00 for a ½ hour session (£5 goes back to school).

## **Clubs**

	<b>Lunchtime</b>	<b>After School</b>
Monday		Cheerleading course for Years 4, 5 and 6.
Tuesday	Sewing Club for Y2 and 3 Orchestra	Athletics Y3/4
Wednesday		Spanish for Years 3 and 4
Thursday	KS2 Choir*	Mathswizards** Basketball match away Y5/6
Friday	Homework	

\*Choir – anyone at KS2 is welcome to join Choir, but must commit to the rehearsals leading up to our performances (see below)  
\*\*Mathswizards: Please book and pay direct. Sue Byrne, tel. 01949 20983 – there are still some places left.

## **PARENTS' EVENINGS**

Thank you for all your positive comments on Parents' Evening. If for any reason you were unable to make an appointment, please contact school so that we can update you on your child's progress.

## **URGENT NOTICE~ FRIENDS OF LOWDHAM SCHOOL – MEETING TODAY:**

02.11.09 'Friends' meeting at the Magna Charta at 8pm. **Everyone is welcome** to go along to share ideas and to help organize the forthcoming events.

## **COMING UP**

- The visit of the Starlincs Planetarium for all KS2 on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November.
- Jane Lewis from the Diocese for assembly 12<sup>th</sup> November. In the afternoon that day our Year 3/4 Athletics team will be competing in a tournament

## **80's NIGHT – 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

Tickets are selling fast for the '80's Night' on the 28<sup>th</sup> November at Lowdham Village Hall. Tickets are £6.50 each – see Heather Truman in the front school playground.

## **A REMINDER OF CHRISTMAS DATES!**

26.11.09 Choir at Woodborough Hall (Tickets for the event, priced £5 are available from the school office).

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

12.12.09 Cornerhouse Carols

14.12.09 KS2 service at St. Mary's 6pm

15.12.09 Some of Choir to sing at the Byars Nursing Home.

## **NOTICES FROM THE STAFF**

Parents are reminded that dogs are **NOT** allowed on any part of the school premises.

**PARKING** – Parents are still parking too close to school. Please..... For safety reasons **DO NOT PARK ON OR OPPOSITE THE STAFF CAR PARK OR THE YELLOW ZIG ZAG LINES.**

## **SCHOOL DINNERS**

Dinners for this term cost £66.50 (35 days @ £1.90). Please pay in advance of the meal being eaten – cheques are appreciated please.

- If you are interested in helping in school, please contact us.
- If you would like to apply to be a relief Midday supervisor, we keep a list of CRB checked people, who can be available at short notice.
- 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](mailto:admin@lowdham.notts.sch.uk)

[head@lowdham.notts.sch.uk](mailto:head@lowdham.notts.sch.uk)

You can also let us know if you are pleased with how things are going.

***Mrs Rattenberry***

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