



NEWSLETTER

"Shine Like Stars"

FRIDAY 21st MAY 2010

Dear Parents and Carers,



Sunny weather is here at last. Please ensure that your child is safe from the sun by sending them with a sunhat (named) and applying cream before school.

Each child was given a school water bottle and these should be brought in each day. Unfortunately we will also have showery weather so that a waterproof should also be brought in.

Visitors

We have had an exciting week with a visit from Daniel Wisniewski, a head teacher from a French school in Vandoeuvre. He has visited each class and every child has had the opportunity to speak, sing in and listen to French – even our Reception children! On Thursday morning Class 3 'skyped' to Monsieur Wisniewski's school and sang with the French class – isn't modern technology wonderful? We hope to repeat this monthly, when Monsieur Wisniewski returns home. A massive thank you to Mrs Westbury, who hosted our visitor and to Daniel for his input.

India Day

Yesterday saw Year 5's last Creative Partnership day (apart from the presentation this afternoon). Trina Halder, actress, together with Mrs Burrows, Mrs Fayd'herbe and a gang of Mums, recreated an Indian market place and sampled Indian cooking. Thank you to everyone for their hard work – it was worth it



Gardening took place again on Tuesday after school. **A massive thank you for all the donated plants – they look fantastic.** If anyone else would like to help please let me know. There is always more to do... **Everyone welcome!!**

Lowdham Horticultural Society

Plant Sale – Saturday 22nd May, 9am to 11am at Lowdham Village Hall Car Park.

Lunchtime and After School

	Lunchtime	After School
Monday	Orchestra 12.15pm*	KS1 Art KS2 Mad Science
Tuesday		Football Y1&2 Gardening group
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday	Y6 Choir	Football Y5/6

*Please remind children to bring in instruments
Any other offers welcome!

Well done to our basketball team!!

Yesterday they competed in a basketball rally at St Wilfrid's and came third. Thank you to Mrs Horner for taking them.

Holidays in term time

Last year all heads of local schools, including the primaries and secondaries (both Seely and the Minster), made the decision to adhere closely to the government rules regarding holidays in term time. A copy of these can be obtained from the school office. Holidays taken in term time are almost always recorded as an unauthorized absence.

Music lessons

Music fees are now overdue. Lessons are booked for a whole year as we make a contract of employment with a teacher. We are now preparing our lists for September. Please ring if you have any queries, especially as we are considering changing the piano arrangements. Year 2 will be eligible for places as soon as we have numbers from the current KS2 children. 11th session Arts workshop leaflets are available in the entrance hall.

Today was Parkinson's Awareness Day.
Thank you for your support.

VOUCHERS

Thank you for the offers to count Sainsbury's and Tesco vouchers. Please bring any more into school as soon as possible.

Uniform Orders

Please begin to bring in orders for September so that we can be ready in time.

New Entrants

There are a few places in some classes in the older age groups. Please let me know of any families moving into Lowdham or the villages, who may need a place.

Lowdham and Epperstone Pre-school will be holding their annual **Family Fun Day on Saturday 12th June from 2-4pm at Lowdham Village Hall.** Children's entertainment, a bouncy castle, games, stalls and refreshments. A fun afternoon for all the family! £2.50 adults, children free.

Action Plan for Oxtou

Oxtou residents are invited to an Oxtou Parish Plan meeting on Thursday 27th May at 7 pm at Oxtou Village Hall. Come and tell us what you would like to see in the Oxtou of the future. This meeting is for adults – we will be holding an event for Oxtou children to hear what they have to say at a later date.

Village Ventures

Wind in the Willows by Ratatat Theatre Company – Sunday 23rd May At Lowdham Village Hall at 3pm. Tickets £8.00 adults, concessions £6.00, available from Sue Winkett in the school playground or from Mike and Jacky Hoare 0115 9663596

(jackyhoare@hotmail.com)

Dressing up optional – whiskers, waistcoats and wellies would do!

Southwell Junior Badminton Club is looking for enthusiastic and energetic 7, 8 and 9 year olds, with or without badminton experience, to play and train at the club.

There are two weeks left of this season (22nd and 29th May) and they met on Saturday mornings 9-10am. Call Alex Fenton on 01947 20417 to book a place. Visit their website at www.southwelljbc.co.uk

Lowdham Local History Society Open Day Saturday 12th June 10am – 4pm at the W.I.
Please see the poster in the entrance hall.

If you are concerned about anything please let us know by popping into 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. Our comments book in the entrance hall is always available.

Mrs Rattenberry



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!!

Please see the full list on the website.

STOP press!! FRIENDS' meeting at the Magna on Monday 24th May 8pm. All welcome!

26.05.10	Bhangra dance Years 5/6
27.05.10	Y3 Orienteering
28.05.10	INSET Day
Half term	
07.06.10	Return to school and group photographs
08.06.10	New entrants visits begin on Tuesday and Wednesday pms
10.06.10	Group 1 Cycling begins
14.06.10	Wollaton Hall Tudor visit Y5/6
15.06.10	Wollaton Hall Tudor visit Y3/4
17.06.10	Time Travelling Year 2 am Multiskills Y1 at Woodborough Woods pm Group 2 Cycling begins
21.06.10	Group 3 Cycling begins
28.06.10	Partake Tudors Year 3/4

FINALLY, PLEASE NOTE:

Members of staff are getting requests from pupils to be accepted as a friend on Facebook. This is **absolutely not allowed**. Please re-inforce this at home. Thank you!