



Friday, July  
16<sup>th</sup>, 2010

# NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

**We have had an Ofsted inspection without knowing it! Yesterday I received the attached letter.**

It is a great tribute to all staff, children, parents and governors that our school continues year on year to be successful in academic achievement and also in our improved attendance (please try not to take holidays in term time). However, as you know there is so much more to our school and we should be equally proud of the rich experiences and opportunities we are able to offer.

**TRANSITION EVENING**

A huge thank you to everyone who attended on Monday evening and for all the positive comments. Our Extended Schools' Co-ordinator, Charlotte, said that she had never been to such a well attended event. **Please return your data collection sheets on Monday so that we can set up the computer with up to date information ready for September.**

**SPORTS' DAY**

Sports' Day went well on Tuesday – beautifully timed to miss the rain! Thank you to our Year 6 children who helped to organize the races and to Matt and Jordan Burrows, who supported us.



**Year 1 visited St Mary's yesterday.**

Thank you to Rev. Carol Tainton for hosting this to support the children's R.E.

**LOST COAT**

Vinnie Wilson has lost a navy blue coat. This went missing after football club on Tuesday. Please can all those who attend football check to see if they have taken this home by mistake – it does have his name in it. Thank you.

**Reception, Y1 and Y2 visited the library on Monday.**

Thank you to parents who helped and to Angela.

**CRICKET SUCCESS!!**

We retained the Chance to Shine Cricket trophy, having won all our matches at the tournament at Caythorpe Cricket Club on Wednesday. Thank you to the parents who helped and to Mrs Hart for leading this initiative.



**SAINSBURYS VOUCHERS**

Please bring in any vouchers by no later than Monday as we need to send these off by the end of term. Thank you.

**SCHOOL DISCO**

Thank you to Friends of Lowdham School for running this – it was a great success. They raised an amazing £375.75!

**DRAMA COURSE**

Nicky Newell will be running a drama course commencing Monday 13th September for 10 weeks, £5 per session. 3.45pm to 5.0pm at school. Please contact Nicky on 9653420 for more information.

**SCHOOL LIBRARY**

We have had a sort out of the school library and offered some surplus stock to the children. If any books remain at the end of the day please take any you would like from the junior art area.

## **SCHOOL DINNERS**

**Outstanding amounts were due today.** For September the County Council have issued new guidelines. All lunches must be ordered and PAID FOR in advance. If you are in arrears no further meals can be served until you have paid. Obviously we will make exceptions in emergencies, but please note that we will have to adhere to the new guidelines. If you have any credits owed these can be carried over to next year. **In**

**September meals increase to £2.00** - it would also be very helpful to Mrs. Royston if dinners were paid for by cheque.

**PLEASE NOTE:- NEXT THURSDAY, AS A TREAT, THE KITCHEN WILL BE PROVIDING A 'PICNIC' MEAL INSTEAD OF THE HOT MEAL ADVERTISED IN THE MENU. THE COST FOR THIS IS THE SAME AS NORMAL. CHILDREN WILL BE HAVING A PICNIC OUTSIDE (WEATHER PERMITTING)**

## **FUN SPORTS ON TUESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> July**

Weather Permitting our Junior Sports' leaders will be organizing a fun sports event for mixed age teams of children. This has been a very enjoyable morning in previous years. Please can children come to school in sports' kit?

**HOWEVER...** After the sports they can change into non uniform. We had a visitor to school yesterday who is travelling to Albania to provide a holiday club for children who have never had a holiday. School Council decided that the easiest way for us to raise some money for the children was to have a non uniform day next Tuesday. Please allow the children to bring in £1 and to wear an outfit of their choice.

## **END OF YEAR SERVICE 6PM**

Each year this service takes place at St Mary's Church. There are items by each key stage (KS1 are singing, Years 3 and 4 are dancing and Years 5 and 6 are singing), prayers, hymns and presentations to the year 6 leavers. We will also be saying au revoir to Mrs Greaves (who is leaving to have her baby) and Mrs Claxton (who will not be working as regularly with us). Everyone is welcome. We have a lot to be thankful for this year and I hope we can all join in this celebration.

## **LOWDHAM HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY**

On 30<sup>th</sup> August, Bank Holiday Monday, we will be holding our Summer Show at the Lowdham

Village Hall and playing fields. We would love to have as many entries as possible in our Young People's Classes. It is free to enter and there are prizes for each class. Entries need to be in by 10.30am on the day and prize giving is at 4.15pm. The show opens at 1pm and there is lots of fun for all the family. It only costs £2 for adults and children are free.

## **Classes for children 10 years and under**

Class 62	5 cheese biscuits (own recipe)
Class 63	Animal made from fruit and/or vegetables
Class 64	A pasta collage – A4 size
Class 65	A decorated wooden spoon
Class 66	A homemade birthday card

## **Classes for 11 to 16 year olds**

Class 67	Homemade pizza – choose your own topping
Class 68	An article of handicraft you have made
Class 69	A model scarecrow
Class 70	Poster A4 size advertising your favourite sporting event
Class 71	5 decorated cupcakes

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!!**

20.07.10	Fun Sports. End of year service at St. Mary's 6pm.
21.07.10	KS1 Music concert 9.30am
22.07.10	Break up for the Summer (Hurrah!)

## **Early notice for September**

06.09.10	Staff are in school for an INSET day if you need to collect uniform.
07.09.10	Return to school!
15.09.10	Y5 residential meeting for parents 6pm
	Y6 information evening 6.30pm
29.09.10	Reception Reading Meeting 6pm
29.09.10 until 01.10.10	Y5 residential

We hope to have finalised some other dates before the end of term. For your information:-  
INSET days are:

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2010, Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2011,  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2011, Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2011  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

If you are concerned about anything please let us know by popping into school or phoning or emailing us:- [admin@lowdham.notts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@lowdham.notts.sch.uk)  
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*Mrs Rattenberry*