



LINGFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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AUTUMN TERM 2010 NEWSLETTER NUMBER 2

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Dear Parents,

Staff News

Congratulations to Cass Ladbrook who is expecting a baby in March next year. We all wish her well for the forthcoming birth!

Year 6 School Council

The new Year 6 School Council has been voted in by the Year 4, 5 and 6 children. Year 6 pupils were asked to give individual presentations and a secret ballot was held. Congratulations to the following children who have been elected: Amy Dickson, Danielle Glanville, Samuel Goodbody, Morgan Harris, Philomena Idro, Archie McCarney, Jasmine Morgan, Gus Nye, Daniel Scrivener, Nessa Shoesmith, Edward Smith and Rebecca Wilkes. These children will represent the school for half the school year. There will be another opportunity in March 2011 for Year 6 pupils to be elected for the rest of the school year.

Electronic Newsletters

Following this autumn half term holiday (1st November) we will be sending school newsletters electronically to your preferred email address. Please ensure we have your email address by recording it on the return slip at the bottom of this newsletter or, preferably, by logging on to the school website and clicking 'newsletters' on the left hand side then click register for newsletter.

Absence

To make it easier for you to notify us of your child's absence we have created a new and dedicated email address. Please keep us up to date on absence@lingfield.surrey.sch.uk It is important that you let us know the reason for absence as well as your child's name and class.

Individual Photographs

Children's individual photographs will be taken in school on Wednesday 20th October. All siblings will be taken together as well as individual photographs. Due to the hectic style of the day, it is not possible to accommodate preschool children.

Parents' Evenings

This term's parents' evenings are on Tuesday 2nd November 3.30 to 6 p.m. and Thursday 4th November 5.30 to 8 p.m. There will be a separate letter to return to your child's class teacher to indicate your preferred time. I urge all parents to discuss their child's progress with the class teacher. If you have any concerns, worries or queries regarding your child, please do not automatically wait until parents' evening. I suggest that you see the class teacher after school one evening. Please try to avoid Mondays as we have a staff meeting each week.

School Dinner Money Autumn Term 2010

We are aware of a number of parents who have not yet paid school dinner money for this half term. Please pay promptly to support the hard working office staff. For children in Years 1 to 6 meals cost £64.60 for the first half of the autumn term and £70.30 for the second half of the term. This makes a total of £134.90 for the whole term. For children in Nursery and Reception classes details are posted around school and the information can be found on the school website. Cheques should be made payable to Lingfield Primary School.



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Governors' Meetings

Parents, as well as members of the local community, are welcome to attend Governors' meetings as observers. The following dates are this year's meetings, which are held at the school starting at 4.30 p.m.: 18th November, 10th February 2011, 24th March, 12th May and 7th July. Agendas and minutes of meetings can be found on the school website.

School Clubs

Details of the clubs being organised this term have now been sent home. The closing date for applications is Tuesday 28th September. Lists will be published on the school website and clubs notice board, in the main school corridor, on Friday 1st October.

Plastic Bottles and Cereal Boxes - REMINDER

For one of the year 6 science activities this term we need your help in collecting resources. Please send into school 2 litre plastic bottles with their tops and cereal boxes. We need large numbers of these items; please help! There will be a large container next to the children's entrance for you to leave these items. Thank you in anticipation.

Apply for a school place - Reception Class and Year 7 Secondary School September 2010

The Local Authority now send Early Years establishments and all Primary Schools a supply of leaflets to distribute to parents. These leaflets will give information on the admissions process and encourage parents to apply online whenever possible. The admissions Booklets "Primary Admissions: September 2011" and "Secondary Admissions: September 2011" will be available on Surrey County Council's website: www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions, or alternatively parents can ring the Contact Centre for a copy on 0300 200 1015. The booklets will not be provided in large quantities for distribution by schools, as in previous years. There are no changes to the way parents receive information for children with a Statement of Special Educational Needs.

School Fund - REMINDER FOR NEXT WEEK!

Many schools have a 'School Fund Day' once a term to assist the coffers in a number of ways. Last year we introduced such a scheme, with school governors' approval. Please can you help boost our school fund to pay for a number of book resources? We would like to replace our school dictionaries and thesauri. If we collect sufficient money we also intend to purchase a small writing easel for each classroom. As last year, the school budget is particularly challenging to manage this year and we hope you will agree to support us in this way. We need to raise £500 to purchase the resources we need. All children across the school will benefit. You will find a return form at the end of this newsletter and we would be very grateful if you would send in your donations during the week of Monday 26th September, payable to Lingfield Primary School Trust. If you are a tax payer please sign the declaration which means we are able to claim back basic rate tax relief which will help us even more. Thank you in anticipation.

Holiday Dates

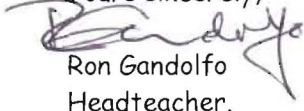
You will find a complete list of this year's term dates on the school website. (A copy of the sheet sent home last term.) Alternatively, another copy can be collected from the school office.

Information for Parents

We receive many requests from clubs and groups to send home flyers advertising their facilities and opportunities available for children. We are unable to send one per family, due simply to logistics of making this happen with so many on offer. However, we do keep a pile of these leaflets and flyers by the children's entrance. I suggest to parents that you should check, on a regular basis, for things that may be of interest to you and that would provide welcome opportunities for your child.

If you have any queries or concerns please contact me.

Yours sincerely,



Ron Gandolfo
Headteacher.

To Mrs Janice Blatcher,

SCHOOL FUND - Autumn Term 2010

Please send in a separate envelope from any other money to the school office via your child's class teacher.
Thank you.

I wish to contribute £..... to school fund this term to support the purchase of school resources.

I confirm that I am a UK tax payer and that this is a charitable donation.

[You must pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each tax year (6 April one year to 5 April the next) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that the charity will reclaim on your gifts for that tax year.]

Cheques payable to 'Lingfield Primary School Trust'

Charity number 1098096

..... (signed) (family name)

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To Mrs Kathryn Billingham-West,

Electronic Newsletters

Email address for sending school newsletters and other school information from 1st November 2010

..... child's name and class

*OR I do not have an email account and request a hard copy of the school newsletter

child's name and class

*Please note: unless you fill in this part of the slip and return it to the school office you will not receive a paper copy.