



LINGFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

Heather Brooks

Congratulations to Heather Brooks in 6W who has been selected for the National Children's Orchestra to play the harp. This is an outstanding achievement and a goal that Heather has set her sights on for some time. Her hard work and commitment has paid off and we are very proud of her. Very well done Heather!

Parent Governor Elections

Following a ballot the votes cast were; Mrs Sarah Watson, 55 votes. Mrs Judy Whittaker, 33 votes and Mrs Corrine Wilkes 43 votes. Therefore, Mrs Watson and Mrs Wilkes are duly elected.

Snow

Inevitably, the snow played a major part in causing huge disruption for everybody last week. School meetings, functions and preparation for the end of term were no exception. It is intended that the end of term Christmas entertainment will go ahead as planned. Last week's Nursery parents' evenings will need to be rearranged. Mrs Conacher will be contacting parents that have been affected.

Year 3 Class Assembly

The Year 3 class assembly for parents will now take place this Friday, 10th December at 9.15 a.m. in the school gym.

5J Assembly

The 5J class assembly for parents has been postponed to Friday 14th January at 9.15 a.m. I apologise for any inconvenience caused.

Mrs Cook

Congratulations to Mrs Cook, class teacher in Year 3, who is expecting a baby in April. We have already secured an experienced teacher to cover her maternity leave. In the new year, Mrs Houghton will spend time with 3C getting to know the children ready for Mrs Cook's maternity leave sometime in March, the date of which is yet to be finalised.

Julie Harris

Congratulations to Julie Harris who recently got married and has returned to her TA work in Year 3 as Mrs Clark. We all wish her the very best for the future.

Festive Friday

The LPSA are holding 'Festive Friday', on 10th December from 3.30 - 6.00, when a mini Christmas Fair will be organised for the children and parents. The LPSA will be sending out further details. **Please note 1.** On Friday, the children's entrance will not be used at the end of the school day. Please wait for your child in your usual prearranged place at 3.15 p.m. The KS2 children will come out of the patio entrance on this day, due to the event organisation. Nursery, Reception and KS1 children will come out of school from their usual doors. **Please note 2.** Due to the tight timing of the 'Festive Friday' event, school will be cleared rapidly on Friday at 3.15 p.m. Children will not be able to get into 'Festive Friday' without being accompanied by an adult. Children will not be able to wait inside school for 'Festive Friday' to begin. After School Care Club and the School Bus service will operate as normal. **Please note 3.** Parents may park on the school playground and in the main car park during 'Festive Friday', but this is subject to weather and conditions.

Playtime

The children have not been out to play so far this week, as the playground area is dangerous, due to the icy



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conditions. We do not currently have sufficient supplies of grit to keep it safe. We are expecting a delivery soon. However, Mrs Marlow is in the process of clearing the small circular playground so that year group playtime can take place soon.

Private Road

Parents should not park in Jenners Close. This is a private road and residents who live in this road have been upset by inconsiderate parking. Parents should park either at The Star or Gun Pit Road car park.

Christmas Entertainment and Events

Reception class children will perform their Christmas entertainment to parents on Friday 17th December at 2.15 p.m. in the hall. A separate letter, from the Reception Team has already been sent out. The KS1 Christmas performance to parents, 'The Donkey Seller', will be performed on Tuesday 14th December and Thursday 16th December at 2.15 p.m.

The Donkey Seller - KS1 Performance, IMPORTANT INFORMATION

It is the intention, as last year, that the LPSA record and sell a DVD of this performance by the KS1 children. I will assume that parents are giving consent for this, as the DVDs will be sent out to Lingfield families only on the understanding that they are used within the household and not copied or used electronically in any way (i.e. images uploaded to the Web). If, however, you do not grant permission for your child to be recorded in this way, then please put this in writing to me by Friday 10th December.

Christmas Carol Concert

Please join us for a traditional Christmas Carol Service at St. Peter and St. Paul's Church on Thursday 16th December at 7 p.m. Children from Key Stage 2 will present readings and carols for us all to enjoy. This is always a joyous and lovely occasion and it is wonderful to fill the church with our Lingfield Primary School family; please come and join us.

Bird Feeders

Is there anyone who could undertake the restocking of the wild bird feeders and a water bath? We were hoping for some willing parents to take this on. Please inform the school office if you are able to help.

Book Fair

Thank you to those parents who supported the recent 'Book Fair' organised by Miss Ladbrook. A total of £718.74 was raised. This money will go towards a library project that we hope to start in the near future.

Year 6 School Council News

Thank you to all those parents who have assisted or encouraged their child to complete a shoebox for 'Operation Christmas Child'. We have received 30 shoeboxes. Please note this number has been corrected from last newsletter. Our boxes are now on their way to Belarus.

The School Council have organised a children's disco for Friday 17th December, the last Friday of term. The Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 disco is from 5 to 6 p.m. and the Key Stage 2 disco is from 6.15 to 7.30 p.m. The theme of 'Whacky Wonders' is being encouraged, but is not compulsory.

Cross Country Club- Holly Run

I am expecting that a record number of children (somewhere in the region of 60 from years 4, 5 and 6) will take part in the Holly Run at Reigate, Priory Park, on Sunday 19th December. The children have been preparing for several weeks to run one mile in a personal best time. The course at Reigate is a typical, but challenging, cross country track. The children representing the school have astonished me with their running progress and enthusiasm. Good luck to all of the runners; I will announce the results in the new year.

Holiday Dates

We no longer list school holiday dates in the newsletter as they are easily accessible from the school website. If you require a hard copy please ask at the school office. However, please note the extra inset day, that the government have honoured will be on Friday 8th April 2011.

A Message from Lingfield Youth Club...

Unfortunately, due to the snow last week and the rescheduling of the Lingfield Evening, the Lingfield Youth Club launch night has been moved to 7th January 2011. Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience and we look forward to welcoming 10-14 year olds on Friday 7th January at the Lingfield & Dormansland Community Centre.

Yours sincerely,

Ron Gandolfo

Headteacher.