



Laira Green Primary School Newsletter December 2010



LAIRA CHRISTMAS FAYRE

SATURDAY 4TH DECEMBER 2010

12PM TO 3PM

LAIRA GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Carers

Wonderful events are happening over the next two weeks. Parties, theatre trips, Christmas Carol Service, Christmas lunches, Celebration Evening, Christmas Faircan we fit in all in! A big thank you must go to all the staff, including our admin staff for ensuring that the children at Laira Green enjoy the excitement of Christmas as well as understanding the true meaning of the special time of year. Dates and times of events are on the back of this newsletter and on the website.

I would also like to thank all our volunteers in school who help with reading, attending trips and helping at parties. You are very much appreciated!

Crunch time! We need to increase the amount of teaching hours to the school day for KS2. After much discussion between all school stakeholders, the decision was made to add 10 minutes on to the start of the day. It was felt that this would have the most impact on raising attainment for our pupils.

The school gates will open at 8:30 am.

KS 2 pupils will start school at 8:45 am.

Two members of staff will be on duty from 8:35 am.

Before the duty teacher is in the playground the safety and wellbeing is the responsibility of the parents.

If a KS2 pupil brings an Infant to school they must take their younger sibling to the duty teacher.

These changes will be implemented from January 5th 2011 (first day back after the Christmas break)

It is hoped that parents support these changes which are necessary to comply with legal requirements which states that KS2 pupils should have 23hrs 30mins teaching time. The school will be evaluating the impact of the increased hours throughout Term 3 and 4.

The Governors and myself look forward to sharing the new school development plan for 2011 at the '**Celebration Evening**' **Thursday 9th December 6 -7pm**. Please attend so you can support our school improvement. We also have the parent, pupil and staff questionnaire back and I hope to share some of its main findings, which will also shape school development. There is a prize draw on the night for those attending which is a large Christmas hamper.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone as we look forward to 2011.

Miss D Bailey

We would like to say thank you to the Busy Bees of Laira Green who have funded the purchase of a basketball hoop for the playground and also subsidised the cost of the KS2 theatre visit to see Alice through the Looking Glass. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FROM ALL OF US.

Children in Need – We raised a fantastic £181.27 this year. Thank you to everyone who donated and a special thank you to **Sophia S in R/1BH** who raised over £10 by running a 'Guess the number of Smarties' Game.



Poppy Appeal – We raised £59.27 for the Royal British Legion

Healthy Tuck Shop is now open daily at breaktime in the spare classroom. 20p will buy you a piece of fruit.

Attendance!		
Weekly best class attendance		
05/11/10	98.3%	3BR
12/11/10	97.6%	4/5S
19/11/10	100%	1/2N
26/11/10	98.8%	4/5W

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AS AT 26/10/10 94.9%

The new Greenshoots Pre-school Website is now online!

If you are thinking of registering your child at our brand new Pre-school take a look at the Greenshoots prospectus at www.lairagreenshoots.org


In the Prospectus you'll find everything you need to know about registering your child.

Details of upcoming events organised by our PTA, the **Laira Community Forum** can be found on their new webpage at www.lairagreen.com .

If you would like to join the Forum, details are on the site.

Fantastic year 5 residential trip news!
Reminder for Year 5 parents/carers!

Letters have now been sent to our lucky Year 5 children regarding the Nethercott Farm residential. Please ensure you complete and return the forms to school as soon as possible.



Laira Green Book Stall!

3pm – 3:45 pm.

Book stall will be open every 2nd Friday in the Lower Hall.

Children and adult books all 30 p each.

Donations of books will be greatly received!

Grenville House 2011 news.

To date we do not have enough interest for the Grenville House residential to go ahead next year.

If your child is in Year 4 or 5 and would like to go, please contact the school office by the end of term. There are currently 11 places available.

If there is not enough interest the visit will unfortunately be cancelled.

Role Of Honour!

Headteachers Award

Francisco L: 4/5S for being very helpful and polite to a visitor to our School

Dylan J 4/5W: MTA award.

Vanessa N RH/B: MTA award.

Alanis B 6L; MTA award

Diogo F 1/2N: MTA award

Reece D 4/5W : MTA award

Mackenzie
Kieran
Nicole
Yasmin
Caitlin

Mrs Hughes is so pleased and proud of her children's writing. Well done!

Netball News

The team played against Holy Cross and won 5 -2 . The team have really gelled together thanks to their coaches Mrs Daykin, Mrs Larson, Mrs Read and Mrs Bates.

Read their match reports on the website.

Class 1 / 2 H Friendship Poem

Forgiveness
 Respect
 Inspiration
 Encouragement
 Never ending love
 Determination
 Smile, cheerfulness and laughter

Special Events and Diary Dates	
December 2010 & January 2011	
New Event: Alice Through the Looking Glass Yr3 & Yr4	Thursday 9th December (AM)
New Event: Annual Celebration Evening	Thursday 9th December 6pm – 7pm
School Christmas Lunch	Thursday 9th December
KS2 Carol Service at St Marys Church	Friday 10th December 1.15pm
KS1 Christmas Party	Friday 10th December (pm)
New Event: Alice Through the Looking Glass Yr5 & Yr6	Monday 13th December(PM)
KS2 Christmas Party	Tuesday 14th December (pm)
KS1 Christmas Production	Wednesday 15th December & Thursday 16th December (both pm)
Last day of term	Fri Dec 17, 2010
Christmas Holiday	
January	
Tuesday 4th STAFF INSET	
Children Return to School 5th January KS2 8:45am prompt!!	

*CHILD HEALTH CLINIC - DELL CENTRE (LAIRA GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL)
THURSDAYS 10-11AM*

HOLIDAY DATES

Christmas Holiday Monday 20th December – Tuesday 4th January 2011 *inclusive*

Term 3 - Monday 21st – Friday 25th February 2011 *inclusive*

Easter Holiday Monday 11th – Tuesday 26th April 2011 *inclusive*

Royal Wedding Bank Holiday – FRIDAY 29TH APRIL

MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY Monday 2nd May 2011

Term 5 –Friday 27th May – Monday 6th June 2011 *inclusive*

Term 6 Summer Holiday starts Monday 25th July 2011

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