



Lisbellaw Primary School Newsletter - October 2009



Dear Parent,

We hope that everyone is now well settled and happy in their new school year group. Thank you to pupils, parents and staff for working so well together to make the beginning of term run so smoothly and also thank you to everyone for the warm welcome I have been given. It is greatly appreciated.

In this Newsletter we have detailed the major highlights in our October calendar.

*** OUR FEELING FOR OCTOBER IS "THANKFUL".***

CLUBS

Clubs began last Friday 25th September and proved a great success. Children will stay at the same club until the last session on 4th December.

P.E. KITS

Please ensure that all children have a named P.E. kit in school on a regular basis.

TRAFFIC / PARK AND STRIDE

It is appreciated that parents are not driving into the school grounds at busy times of the day e.g. 8.45 -9.05 a.m. and 2.50 – 3.30 p.m. Thank you all parents who have volunteered to help with the Park and Stride. Your help is appreciated.

PTA

Thank you very much to those of you have already sent the Voluntary Contributions to PTA funds. They are very much appreciated and will be used to purchase more laptop computers for use in our new school.

We would ask if possible that the remainder of contributions are in by Tuesday 27th October 2009 please.

(£10 per child or £20 per family.)

PTA SCHOOL DISCO

The school disco will take place on Friday 23rd October 2009.

Year 1 - 3 6.30 - 7.45 p.m.

Year 4 - 7 8.00 - 9.30 p.m.

The entry cost is £2.00 per person.

Crisps, drinks and glow sticks will be on sale.

Children can wear fancy dress if they wish.

Please note there will be flashing lights.

Children who attend secondary school will not be able to join the disco on this occasion.

Children should be collected from the school hall after the disco.

HEAD LICE

It is common to have a higher incidence of head lice at this time of year. I would encourage parents to check their child's hair regularly and thoroughly.

If head lice are detected, please treat and inform the school immediately.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Parents and friends are invited to attend our Harvest Thanksgiving Service in School on Friday 16th October 2008 at 10.00 a.m.

A collection will be taken up during the service and children are asked to bring their collection to the class teacher during that week.

The proceeds will go to support the work of the Northern Ireland Cancer Fund for Children (N.I.C.F.C). Thank you in anticipation of your support.

EVENTS TO COME

All children in Years 4 – 7 will complete InCAS (as indicated at your child's Introductory Meeting).

5th – 9th Oct Children's Book Week – Mrs Foy will coordinate this week – more details will be given to children on Friday.

Monday 5th Oct The children will be treated to an image Musical Theatre drama production of "The Jungle Book" (Cost will be £2.00 – see back of Newsletter).

Thursday 8th Oct National Poetry Day. (Theme – "Heroes and Heroines").

Friday 9th Oct "Dress Up As A Character From A Book Day".

Friday 16th Oct HARVEST THANKSGIVING

Thursday 22nd Oct P2 class will be treated to a visit to the cinema as part of National Film Week. (Film - Hotel for Dogs) – **No cost to parents.**

Friday 23rd Oct Blue Bag Collection

Friday 23rd Oct P.T.A. Disco

Monday 26th Oct Half Day – Parent/Pupil/Teacher Meetings in p.m.

Tuesday 27th Oct Half Day – Parent/Pupil/Teacher Meetings in p.m.

On both these days school will finish at 12.30 p.m.

(School lunch will be provided)

HOLIDAY REMINDER

Half Term - Wednesday 28th (Exceptional Closure), Thursday 29th and Friday 30th October (3 days for the children).

CHAIRMAN'S RECEPTION AT TOWNHALL ENNISKILLEN

Our Council hosted a Chairman's Reception at Enniskillen Town Hall last Tuesday (29th September) in recognition of the school being awarded the Eco Friendly School Status. The Green Finger Gang attended along with Miss McElwaine, Mr Gilliland, Mrs Logan and Mrs Adams.

BREAKFAST CLUB / HOMEWORK CLUB

Children are welcome to come along to Breakfast Club and we still have spaces in our Homework Club after school.

BLUE BAG COLLECTION

The P.T.A. has organised a Blue Bag collection for Friday 23rd October. Bags may be left in school from Monday 19th October but if possible just come to school on Friday 23rd between 8.30 a.m. – 9.30 a.m. and your bags will be loaded straight onto the lorry.

Thank you for your support.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS' ANNUAL REPORT

Copies of the Board of Governors' Annual Report 2008 -2009 will be available from school from Monday 12th October for those who would like to receive one. Please complete the reply slip below.

CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION

The Christmas Assembly will take place on Tuesday 15th December 2009 at 10.00 a.m. and Wednesday 16th December 2009 at 10.00 a.m.

It will be led by Years 5 – 7 but all children in Years 1 – 7 will take part.

For Health and Safety reasons we must limit numbers in the hall. Therefore, in November we will be asking parents to buy tickets for each performance.

Tickets will cost £1.00 each and the proceeds will go to the local Hospice group (Horizon West).

School will close at 12.30 p.m. on Friday 18th December 2009.

Thank you for your continued support. Should you require any further clarification about these or other points, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Ingrid Logan