



Lisbellaw Primary School Newsletter - December 2009



Dear Parent,

Christmas is upon us and we are delighted to inform you of our December events. There are a number of replies for parents enclosed. We hope that by including them all on the inset of this newsletter it will make it easy for you to reply. Thank you for your help.

END OF TERM

School closes at 12.00 p.m. on Friday 18th December 2009. Buses will not operate at this time.

SCHOOL MEALS WILL NOT BE SERVED ON THAT DAY.

THERE WILL BE NO SCHOOL MILK ON THAT DAY.

SPRING TERM

School begins at 9.05 a.m. on Monday 4th January 2010.

Please note Exceptional Closure has been changed.

Children are not supervised until 8.45 a.m. but Breakfast Club continues from 8.15 a.m. for those who wish to come earlier. Costs are as follows:

Cereal & Milk	40p	Toast, butter & jam	30p
Orange/Apple Juice	30p	Tea	20p

SCHOOL BOOK FAIR

The amount raised at the Book Fair this year was £958.34 and the commission at 55% of sales was taken in books to supplement the class libraries. The pupils are very pleased with their lovely new books and we are grateful for your support. Our Book Week was a great success and we hope you will continue to spend time enjoying books with your children. Thank you to everyone for your support.

InCAS

Please find enclosed parent questionnaires regarding InCAS. We would encourage you to complete these and return them in the return envelopes by 22nd January 2010.

PTA

We are delighted with our PTA Calendar which is ready to buy! One is on display in our foyer. Please encourage family and friends to buy as many as possible. They will make excellent Christmas gifts. Please fill out the order form on the inset page.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

We are delighted to continue our After School Club from 2.00 – 3.00 p.m. every day. Unfortunately, due to poor numbers, as from 30th November we will not continue with our Homework Club (All parents using it have already been notified in the past weeks).

PANTOMIME

Year 3 – Year 7 pupils will have the opportunity to travel to Devenish College to see '**Cinderella**' on Tuesday 8th December 2009.

Children will need to wear a coat and bring a small break. (NO CANS)

No one will be allowed to go to the tuck shop.

School dinner will be served 20 minutes later that day and milk will be served with it for those pupils who usually take it.

If your child has permission to attend please send £3.50 to school before Monday 7th December 2009.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The PTA are organising a Christmas Party for the children on Thursday 17th December 2009.

They will receive chocolate and a drink so will not need to bring break on that day.

Children do not need to wear school uniform.

Year 7 are going to the Church Hall so will need to bring a coat with a hood or a cap in case of wet weather.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mrs McElroy has kindly agreed to provide Christmas Dinner for all those who wish to have it on **Wednesday 9th December 2009**.

The cost will be **£2.10** and will include a drink of juice.

Please complete the reply slip as we need to know numbers, but the money will not be due until Monday 7th December 2009.

SCHOOL MEALS PARTY DAY

On **Thursday 17th December 2008**, a special Christmas Party Lunch will be served instead of the usual school dinner. It will cost **£2.10** and consists of sausage and chips in a bag, a rice krispie bun or a mandarin orange and a drink of juice. Please complete the reply slip.

CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY

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

It will be led by Years 5 - 7 but all children in Years 1 – 4 will also take part. For Health and Safety reasons we must limit numbers in the hall. Therefore, we are asking parents to buy tickets for each performance.

Tickets will cost £2.00 each and the proceeds will go to the Horizon West Children's Hospice for Fermanagh and Tyrone.

There will be a full rehearsal on Monday 14th December at 10.00a.m. to which Tattygar Primary School and the Playgroups are invited. Parents and friends who are not free on Tuesday or Wednesday are welcome to attend on this occasion.

A video/DVD will be taken of the show on Tuesday and will be available for collection before the end of term for those who have ordered it. A percentage of sales will go to school funds so we thank you for your support.

CHOIR EVENTS

The Choir have the following events during December:

3rd December - Erneside Shopping Centre – 11.30 a.m.

7th December - Drumhaw Nursing Home – 11.30 a.m.

11th December – County Nursing Home – 11.30 a.m.

13th December – Lisbellaw District LOL Carol Service, Orange Hall - 7.30 p.m.

LISBELLAW CHRISTMAS LIGHTS ASSOCIATION

Switching on of the lights is on Friday 4th December in the Main Street at 7.15 p.m. There will be a visit from Santa and a Disco to follow for school children. It is planned that a mini street market will take place with various stalls etc including some seasonal mince pies. Perhaps you would be kind enough to give teachers an indication of numbers of children hoping to attend so as to ensure Santa is sufficiently supplied with goodies.

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

We trust you all have a peaceful and healthy Christmas and we look forward to the New Year when we will be on to the final countdown to our move into our new school.

Happy Christmas to all from all the staff at Lisbellaw Primary School.

*Ingrid Logan (Mrs)
Principal*