

# Lowther School Family Newsletter

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# Happy holidays

The summer holidays are nearly upon us.

I hope you and your family enjoy the time together and have a relaxing break. We look forward to welcoming you back in September with an exciting and stimulating curriculum and an improved school site. Have a wonderful holiday.

#### **School Meals**

On Wednesday we had the opportunity to meet our new caterer ISS. We wanted to make sure all parents know there will be an improvement in school meal provision. From September 2012, ISS will be producing freshly prepared meals here on site at Lowther from high quality ingredients: Freedom Food chicken, pork and eggs, organic milk, bread and yoghurt. This has come about because parents and schools asked for this quality of service. The team at ISS have risen to our challenge and have even managed to reduce the meal price to  $\pounds 2.07$ . We will set up parent meetings next year to get further feedback and ideas. Of course next year there will be a packed lunch service provided by ISS. We will issue a slip next week for you to sign to indicate if you would like this provision for your child.

### Other arrangements for Next Year

### **Breakfast Club**

Will operate as normal from 7.45 — 8.45am. The cost remains the same at £2.00 per session.

The club will operate out of the hall 5 mornings per week

#### Lunches

Lunches next year will be served from the hall. We won't have a kitchen next year and so children who opt for school lunches will have a packed lunch provided by our new cateriers ISS.

Lunchtimes will be staggered as this year.

Reception 11.45 — 12.45

KS1 12 – I

Y3/4 12.30 — 1.30

Y5/6 12.45 — 1.40

# After school clubs

We will continue to offer a broad range of after school clubs — both from school staff and external providers. A list of available clubs will be issued in September.

### **Fit for Sport After School Provision**

We are delighted to announce Fit for Sport will continue their after school provision. This will take place at Castlenau Community Centre on Stillingfleet Road. The cost will remain the same at £8.50 per session (which is great value for 3 hours child care) The children will be collected from class and walked over to CCC. Children should be collected from there. The provision will run from  $3.15 - 6.15 \, \text{pm}$ .

The cost for the 3 hours is only £8.50

The cost for 3.15 — 4.15 is £5

If you book in advance a 10% discount is available.

We have arranged for Fit for Sport to also make use of the school's sports facilities after 4.15 each day.

We will issue further details once we have them

I'm sure you'll agree this is very welcome news.

### New online galleries

Do have a look at the 4 new galleries online — all coming very soon.

- Isle of Wight
- Toy Story
- Fencing
- Grounds afternoon

# Monday is Roberts, Sangtabi, Rogers and Dodman Day!

Please do come and join us for the afternoon as we say goodbye and good luck to 4 of our teachers. We also have the football and karaoke challenges after school from 3.30pm. It should be a great fun afternoon.

# Sainsbury and Tesco tokens

Thank you all for collecting so many tokens. We have received record numbers. We are currently scouring the catalogues to ensure we get the best equipment for the children.

### Waitrose

Some of our Year 3 pupils went with Mrs.Wriglesworth to Waitrose this week. They sold produce from the Lowther allotment — they made over £100 — awesome work!



### **Survey for Parents**

Thank you to those of you that have already returned your forms. We appreciate the feedback. We are glad you feel so positive about many aspects of the school. Early indications are that we will review our target meeting format and look at communication of dates and events. We will keep you posted with any changes that we put in place for 2011-

Part 2 of the survey will be out on Monday. Completed forms do not need a name and can be posted in the box in the lobby.

### **Pupil Reports**

These will be issued to all parents on Monday 18th July 2011.

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# http://www.lowther.richmond.sch.uk/newsletters.html

### **Leavers Assembly**

Our special assembly for the Year 6 children ready to fly off to secondary school is Friday 22nd July at 1.30pm. Do come and join our celebration of their achievements at Lowther.



These are the FREE activities being run at St.Paul's during the summer holidays for age 10-19 year olds. If you'd like your child to go please pick up a form from the office.

### Normal time finish

Please note that school finishes at normal time (3.15pm) on Friday 22nd July.

Please help us have an organised end of term by making sure children take possessions, pieces of work home etc before Friday.

# **Sports Day**

Thank you all for such a great day of sport, teamwork and fun. Pictures courtesy of Stage One photography.

## **Teddy Bears Picnic**

Key Stage I will be having their Teddy Bears picnic.







