



Lowther School Family Newsletter

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Happy Christmas to the whole Lowther School Family

Thank you all for the wonderful support and cheer you have given us this year. Lowther is a special place because of the people who live it and breathe it — parents, staff, families and most of all your awesome children. Enjoy the special holiday and we look forward to seeing you in 2012.

Nativity Movie News

The editing is now finished. The premier of the "Lowther Nativity" will be on Friday the 16th of December at 9.15am.

The short 15 minute film includes behind the scenes footage and highlights from the show. The Movie will be made available to watch online via the school website. We will also take orders for the movie if you'd like to buy a copy. The price will be £7 per copy with proceeds going to the school. Why not come and watch the premiere on the BIG screen. It's a cracking film..



Sporting success!



Such is the children's enthusiasm for sport we took 3 teams to 2 different basketball tournaments last week. We scored a total of 122 points in all our matches. Our Y5/6 team even won the trophy! It was a great day of basketball and all the children represented the school superbly. Our second tournament win in basketball in 3 years.



The Final Countdown!

The money has been counted, checked and triple checked and we pretty much made a profit of £2344.38 at the Christmas Fair. This is incredible. The PTA and school will now liaise closely to ensure we spend the money wisely so the children benefit.

Uniform reminder

Winter is often a time parents decide to buy new uniform — especially footwear. Please can I take this opportunity to remind you of the footwear element of our uniform policy

"Plain black shoes or other plain dark coloured appropriate footwear."

"Shoes should be comfortable and safe. It is dangerous for children to wear shoes with high heels, open toes, platforms or strappy sandals. Children should not wear coloured sports trainers but can change into them for playtimes in order to keep shoes/footwear in a good condition. Boots can be worn to and from school but are not suitable to be worn all day. Children can bring another pair of shoes to change into "

Have a lovely break—we will see you all back on **THURSDAY 5th JANUARY 2012** (as the staff have an Inset Day on Wednesday 4th January)

Lowther's Got Talent - advanced warning!



Don't forget that the deadline for applications for Lowther's got Talent is Friday 13th January. Auditions will be held on Tuesday 24th of January with the Grand Final on Friday 27th of January.



Blogging at Lowther

All of Key Stage 2 now have their own blogs. This is something we'd like to develop further across the whole school. It provides a great opportunity for children to write and share ideas. Please support them with this where you can.

Look out for more blogs soon.

Check Mate!

Mr Agarwal organised for 5 children from Y2 to 6 to go along to Richmond Park Academy and take part in the chess tournament. The children played extremely well. Special mention must go to Seana in Year 6 who returned undefeated winning all 3 of her matches.

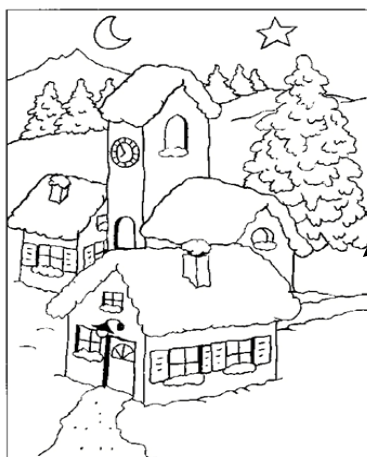


Church Service

Our annual Christmas service is at Holy Trinity church on Castelnau this Thursday (15/12). The service starts at 10am and should finish around 10.40am. The choir will be singing, there will be key stage songs and some drama too. Please do come and join us it's always a lovely occasion.

**Children's Section**

This section of the newsletter has been written and produced this time by Elizabet (Y4) and Sara (Y4) Well done Elizabet and Sara . Try colouring in these pictures .



Over the last few months the building has been talking shape and making progress. They are putting the steel frame up after Christmas.

**Photo Fundraising**

We're very lucky to have Tom working at Lowther. As well as being a Teaching Assistant Tom is also a semi-professional photographer. Teachers also often snap different school events. If you see any pictures on the school website or up and around the school and would like a copy simply let us know and we'll get a copy for you. This will act as an additional fundraiser for the school. If you haven't seen Tom's most recent pictures (which are stunning) of Making day and playtimes — please do check out the display in the hall. and just outside the headship office.

Pricing Structure for photo prints

7 x 5 print £1

10 x 8 print £2

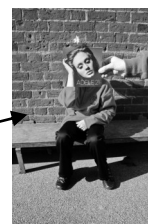
15 x 10 print £4



Date	Event
Mon 4th	
Tues 5th	
Weds 6th	
Thurs 7th	
Fri 8th	
Mon 11th	
Tues 12th	
Weds 13th	
Thurs 14th	
Fri 15th	Last day of term. School finishes at 3.15pm

Some of my highlights of the school year so far.....

The response to home-work challenges.



Seeing more of the children's work on the website.



Children in KS2 hitting targets



Takeover day

The building work starting.



Our new reception classes full of the excitement of learning



Giving out the golden standard to 44 children (so far!)