



Lowther School Family Newsletter

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Lowther Christmas Special!

Thank you all for a wonderful first term of 2011-2012

I reported to governors just last week how delighted we have all been with the fantastic support we have received from parents and families this year. This has been just awesome. Whether it be attendance, homework challenges, Christmas fairs, your championing and belief in the school is so valued. As we head towards this most special of family times we hope you are able to cherish the time you spend with your own family and that you spend with your other family—The Lowther School Family.

The Christmas Fair—What a cracker!



Just some of the amazing 56 different cakes that were entered into the cake competition. All we can say is WOW! It has



been almost impossible to choose a winner such was the quality. We are preparing certificates for all entrants.

What a great fair on Friday. The PTA put a huge effort into preparing and organising the fair — it really is a very “Lowther” event. Just think, next year we’ll have 2 halls for double the fun! A massive thank you to all that helped make it so fantastic.

Message from Maxine (our PTA chair) “I wanted to express my own thanks to so many of you who contributed to making this Christmas Fair SO fantastic. You all supported us in many ways and it is safe to say we could not have done this without you!”

NEWSFLASH! The profit from the Christmas fair is expected to be around £2000 (can you believe it!) Last years was £918. Thank you all for your amazing generosity.

Nativity News

2 performances down and 1 to go. Well done Mrs Wriglesworth, the KSI and Foundation Stage teams and



their cast of over 150 children. It's been a magical show. Look out for an online photo gallery and special highlights video also online soon.

Father Christmas is coming to Barnes

Father Christmas is coming to Rose House on Friday 9th December at 6.30pm. He always comes along on the special Late Night Shopping day that the Barnes Community Association (BCA) organise.



There will also be lots of other fun. Many local shops will be offering refreshments until 9pm and there will be music and entertainment around and about – a brass band on the traffic island, choirs outside Rose House, handbell ringers outside Seaforth Lodge and more. The OSO will have live entertainment and refreshments throughout the evening. They are hosting a Christmas Market featuring modern and vintage gifts. Finally if that's not enough excitement for one night there is the carousel near the pond.

Please call 8878 2359 for more details

Fresh Eggs

Don't forget you can order fresh organic eggs from our lovely chickens. Just simply place your order with Tania in the office.



Roller Fun!

The Roller disco at the Powerstation in Mortlake will be open for the whole family on 17th and 18th December from 10-6pm. Call 07432 696986 for more info.



Richmond Park

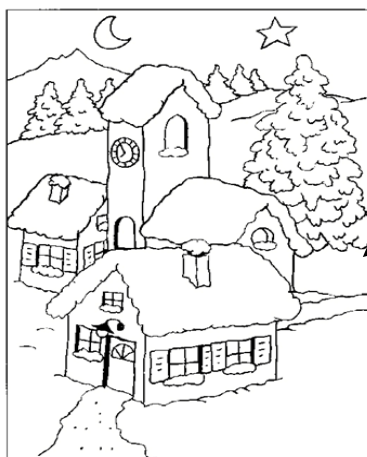
Academy News

The RPA library is becoming busier and busier - partly driven by its state of the art online literacy quiz scheme that now spans all students in Years 7,8 and 9. It would be fantastic to have a small number of adult volunteers from the local community to help support this growing initiative, so if you are able to commit 1, 2 or 3 hours per week at a regular time, RPA would be delighted to hear from you. Full training given, and of course you'd also have the chance to see the academy from the inside and meet many of the students. Please contact Gaurav Mathur on gmsin@hotmail.co.uk if you are keen to help.



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 taking 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

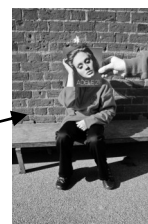
15 x 10 print £4

Date	Event
Weds 7th	9.30 am Nativity 9.30 Basketball Tournament Yr 3/4 1.30pm - Yr 5/6
Thurs 8th	Reception to National Gallery Chess Tournament at Richmond Park Academy
Fri 9th	Tag Rugby Competition
Sun 11th	Castelnau Community Centre Carol Concert
Mon 12th	Roller Disco Yr 3 1pm Yr 4 2pm
Tues 13th	KS1 Choir singing at Veira Grey House 1.30pm Swedish School - St Lucia
Weds 14th	9.30am Mother Goose Pantomime KS1 Parties
Thurs 15th	10am Christmas Service at Holy Trinity Church 11am Junior Choir to Barnes Day Centre KS2 Parties
Fri 16th	10—12 Roller Disco Yr 5 & 6 School Finish at 3.15pm
Thu 5th Jan 2012	First Day of Spring Term

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!)