

# LODDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

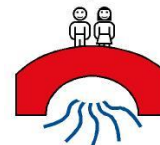
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Loddon  
Primary School



6<sup>th</sup> December 2013

## NEWSLETTER NO 7

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Winter weather precautions

Please ensure your child has suitable clothing in school during the colder weather and support us in encouraging them to wear these items. All items including gloves, hats, scarves and wellingtons should be clearly named so that we can return them if they go astray.

Please take extra care when travelling to and from school where paths and roads are icy. Allow extra time for your journey and park sensibly considering the safety of others. We use salt on the main paths into school but do be aware that playgrounds and other areas may still be icy especially at drop-off time.



### Christmas Fayre - Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2pm-4pm

We hope as many of you as possible will come along and enjoy the stalls and amusements on offer at the Christmas Fayre in the School halls. Stalls are open from 2pm and a raffle will be drawn during the afternoon. Santa's Grotto is back by popular demand, refreshments will be available to purchase and much more!

### FSU Christmas production: "Shine Star Shine!" 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> December

Monday December 9<sup>th</sup> at 2pm

Tuesday December 10<sup>th</sup> at 9.30am

Please note the gate to the school playground will not be opened for the afternoon performance before 1.20pm.

### Lower Phase Christmas production (Years 1 and 2): "A Midwife Crisis" - 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> December

This year our Lower Phase Christmas Production is "A Midwife Crisis". All the performances will be in Hillside Hall. Please remember to send costumes into school in a named carrier bag on this Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> December.

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm: Everyone welcome (Doors open at 1:30pm)

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm: Tickets only/no under 6 year olds at this performance please (Doors open 5:30pm)

Tickets will be sent out next week with two tickets allocated per child. No extra tickets will be available for the evening performance due to the large numbers of families invited to attend. Videoing and photography of your own child is permitted but for personal use only. We look forward to welcoming you all!



### Celebration of Christmas Concert - Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 3.45-4.45pm

We warmly invite you to join us for a celebration of Christmas through music, drama and song to take place in the main hall.



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### **School Christmas Lunch - Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

School Christmas lunch is on the above date - **Please provide your child with a packed lunch on that day if they have not already ordered a Christmas lunch, as there will be no other food available.** Children having packed lunches or hot meals will be able to sit together.

### **Christmas Services at St. Nicholas' Church - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

Please remember to bring warm, waterproof coats for the children. Reception and Lower Phase children (F2, Year 1 and 2) will be walking to the church for a service starting at 9.30am. Middle and Upper Phase (Year 3, 4, 5 and 6) will walk to the church a little later to attend a service at 10.30am. Volunteers will be needed to walk with the children, please talk to your child's class teacher if you are able to help.

### **Years 1 to Year 6 Christmas Parties: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

Parties will be in the afternoon of the final day of term. Please order a hot dinner or bring a packed lunch as usual.



### **House Gems**

As we complete our work on the value of 'Responsibility' congratulations to the following children who have received a Values 'House Gem'.

Abigail C (Y1) Taking responsibility for collecting white board pens/putting them away without being asked

Brandon W (Y2) Taking more responsibility for his work

Jannath A (Y2) Being a responsible Shed Monitor

Jude L (Y6) Being a responsible Shed Monitor

### **Blocking pedestrian access to the school site for children**

We have received complaints about groups of parents stopping to chat and smoke on the pavement near where the lollipop lady stands, outside the pedestrian access to the school building. Parents gathering in this way mean that children need to walk through or around them to access or leave the school site. Please consider the children using our site and keep the pathways around the school clear.

### **Final Choir sessions for the term**

The final Autumn junior choir session will take place next Tuesday morning (10<sup>th</sup>) and the senior choir next Thursday lunch time (12<sup>th</sup>). There will be a rehearsal for the Celebration of Christmas during the final week of term which will take place during the school day.

### **Homework club finishes last week of term**

Please note that Homework club will continue to run until the end of term with the last session being run on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December. The first session of Homework Club will be held after school on the day pupils return to school, Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2014. All other school-run clubs finished this week.

### **Christmas Holiday**

Please note we finish at 3pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December, the last day of term. Foundation Stage morning children finish at 11.10 and afternoon children at 2.50pm. Pupils return to school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January.

Yours sincerely

Mrs. S. Phillips

Headteacher



### Loddon Out of School Club - Christmas Holiday Club: Monday 6th January 2014

The holiday club is open for the INSET day on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January. There will be fun, games and a light tea served late afternoon. Charges: £10 half day, £18 full day 8:30am-5:45pm (non-refundable). To book please complete the form in the School Reception and return it to the club together with full payment or phone Dawn on 07968 278584 for information.

### Diary Events List - Autumn Term 2013

Date	Time	Event
07/12/13	14.00-16.00	PTA Christmas fayre
09/12/13	14.00-15.00	FSU Nativity 'Shine Star Shine!' - Performance for families
10/12/13	9.30-11.00	FSU Nativity 'Shine Star Shine!' - Performance for families
10/12/13	10.00-11.30	Y6 REInspired "Faith in Action" at St. Nicolas Church
11/12/13	All day	Governor Day in School
11/12/13	9.00-10.00	Weekly Parent tea/coffee in the Hut
13/12/13	13.30-14.30	Lower Team Production 'A Midwife Crisis' - Dress rehearsal performance for School
16/12/13	14.00-15.00	Lower Team Production 'A Midwife Crisis' - Performance for families
17/12/13	18.00-19.00	Lower Team Production 'A Midwife Crisis' - Performance for families
18/12/13	9.00-10.00	Weekly Parent tea/coffee in the Hut
18/12/13	11.00-14.00	FSU Christmas Party (all part time children attend during this time only)
19/12/13	12.00-13.30	School Christmas lunch menu only - No alternative meal served
20/12/13	9.30-11.30	Christmas service at St. Nicolas Church
20/12/13	11.10am	FSU morning children finish early at 11.10am.
20/12/13	pm	Y1-Y6 Class Parties
20/12/13	2.50pm	FSU afternoon children finish early at 2.50pm.
20/12/13	3pm	End of pupil Autumn term Y1-6 children finish early at 3pm.
21/12/13		CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
22/12/13	17.00	PTA family pantomime trip to Jack and the Beanstalk at the Hexagon.
06/01/14		Staff Training Day SCHOOL CLOSED
07/01/14		Start of Pupil Spring term.
13/01/14	All week	First week of School-run clubs
14/01/14	pm	Y2 REInspired Signs and Symbols at St Nicolas Church
21/01/14	8.30-9.30	Personnel & Finance Committees: attendance by invitation from Chair & HT
29/01/14	18.00-20.00	Governor Curriculum Committee: attendance by invitation from Chair & HT