



Lymington Junior School

Newsletter Number 2

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back! We hope you all had a fabulous half term.

It was lovely to visit the Year 5 children at Hooke Court last half term and I am very much looking forward to spending a few days on the Isle of Wight with Year 6 next week as I continue to try to get to know everybody. I just hope that I don't embarrass myself on the 'leap of faith'...!

We are now officially in the run up to Christmas...!

Since school re-opened on Tuesday, the children have already enjoyed Italian day (Year 4); a visit from the Fire Brigade (Year 5); preparations for their residential trip to Kingswood (Year 6) and auditions for the Christmas Performance (Year 3). Once again, it has been wonderful to see how confidently they have all started back following a break in term. My thanks, as always, go to all of the staff for their hard work and preparation in order to enable everyone to 'hit the ground running' so quickly.

Congratulations also to our Year 4 Hockey players — very ably assisted by Mrs Magner and Mrs Daniel — who represented the school excellently in a skills festival at Arnewood school on Wednesday.

A fantastic way for everyone to start what will be a very busy half term!

On which note...there will be lots going on this half term. Please ensure that you routinely check the school calendar, available on our website at: <https://www.lymingtonjuniorschool.org/calendar/> to keep up to date with all of the wonderful things that will be happening in school.

Also, whilst on the subject of communication, a reminder that you can contact the school office at any time, or speak to member of the teaching staff at the end of each school day, should you have a question or concern about any aspect of school life.

Finally, you will notice an addition to our Newsletter (opposite) which identifies what we will be particularly working on as a staff team each half term. Depending on the nature of the focus, it may last for more than one half term or be revisited over time. If you have any questions about what the focus means or will look like for your children, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of the team.

Thank you for your continued support.

Dan Twyman
Headteacher

Harvest at LJS

Thank you to everyone who donated food for "Harvest at LJS".

On Wednesday 1st November Mrs Moossun and a small group of YR5 children delivered the items to the Basic bank in Lymington.



LJS Choir—Calling all singers



We are very fortunate that Michael Goldthorpe (musical director with the Lymington Choral Society) has kindly offered to come in and start up a choir for us. This takes place on Wednesday lunchtimes .

Michael would like the choir to sing at the Lymington Christmas Lights Festival on Friday 24th November .



At LJS this half term we are working on....

Ensuring that the children have a clear 'learning journey' in English and Maths that enables them to demonstrate their build up of skills over time.

Autumn term 2017

06-10.11.17—YR6 to Kingswood
08.11.17—YR3 & 4 Flu injections
17.11.17—Children in Need—"Spotty Day"
22.11.17—YR3 Sandwich making—am
23.11.17—6P Class Assembly—@ 9.00am
23.11.17—Netball —LJS v Hordle @ home
07.12.17—6G Class Assembly @ 9.00am
08.12.17—Netball A team v Ballard @ home (2.30pm)
11.12.17—YR3 Production "dress rehearsal"
12.12.17—YR3 Production @ 2.00pm
13.12.17— YR3 Production @ 6.00pm
14.12.17—Carol Service at St Thomas's—pm
15.12.17—Christmas Fayre —pm
18.12.17—YR4 Science Fair @ 1.30pm
19.12.17 M & M Productions "Aladdin" - am
20.12.17—Christmas Lunch
21.12.17—Last day of school

Spring term 2018

04.01.18—Back to school
08.01.18—Netball LJS v Ashley at home
18.01.17—5D Class Assembly @ 9.00am
05.02.18—YR6 "Mock" SATs Week
12-16.02.18— Half term
19.02.18—Inset Day 3

School day—pick up time

A polite reminder that when you are on the playground at the end of the school day waiting for your child/children to come out. Please don't let any children with you run down the side of the school buildings and peer into the classrooms as this disturbs our children who are still learning.

Please also don't let children scoot on the playground while waiting, this is for the health & safety of everyone waiting on the playground.

Children need to wear helmets when they cycle to school



Music lessons

A message from the music teachers, please ensure that your children practice at home, and for this to be done on a regularly.

The music teachers know when a child hasn't practiced on a regular basis!



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Thank you to everybody who supported us on Friday 26th September, we raised a total of £275.00

The staff baked some lovely cakes so a thank you to them.

World Scout Jamboree 2019



Our congratulations go to two former pupils from LJS—Michael Backer Dirks and Jasper Moossun who will be part of the Hampshire/UK contingent at the World Scout Jamboree in West Virginia, USA in July—August 2019.

A polite reminder that we are a non-smoking site, so please no smoking whilst on the school grounds.



On Friday 17th November, the children can come into school wearing spots in return for a donation to Children in Need.