



NEWSLETTER 11

FRIDAY November 28th November 2008

ATTENDANCE ROLL OF HONOUR FOR TERM 1

We are delighted that 169 children had 100% attendance during term 1. Here is the list in full!

RR Maisie Andre Jacob Joshua Caitlin Harry Ben Finn Emma Oliver Ethan Clea Luke Chelsea	PR Aimee Jack Mia Charlotte Harvey Toby Oscar Hannah Marshall George	M1 Jack Zoe Liam Lucy Holly Charlotte Harvey Jacob Samuel Ethan Lauren Mia Daniel	B1 Daniel Isabel Jack Chloe Joe Michael Liberty Ethan Citahna Joseph	C2 Lucy Charlotte Evangeline James Niamh Joshua Lydia Lily	H2 Emma Ryleigh Rebecca Thomas Holly Archie Alyssa Emily Harry Louis	L3 Joe Toby Ruby Charlie Nadia Joshua Charlie Finley Emily Rachel Abigail Eve Patrice
W3 Jake George Callum Matthew B Matthew C Shayleen Scott Joseph Michael Charlotte Nathan Daniel Amie	F4 Jordan Laura Reece Lauren Leah Nathan Jamie Benjamin Rebecca Abigail James Daniel	R4 Daniel Joseph Katie Libby India Jamie James Luke Mia Elliott Samuel George Hannah Sophie Stephanie Jack	C5 Chloe Cameron Megan Tia Jessica Lucy Megan Harrison George Samuel Zachary Tristan Isabel	B5 Jonty Evie Francesca Libby Daniel Jack Connor James Benjamin Rhianne Emily James Bradley Rhian Joseph George Callum Natalie George Matthew Aaron	M6 Maya Katie Bethan James Matthew Eloise Adam	F6 Jake Benjamin Thomas Charley Harrison Nathan Elizabeth Lucy Rebecca

Well done to all the children achieving 100%- good attendance matters and these children are showing the way!

Eco Schools Bronze Award

This week we have achieved the first award on our school mission to becoming an Eco-School. The School Council from 2007-08, Eco-Club Autumn-Winter 2008 and many of the adults in our school community have worked together to reach the goals. Part of the award was achieved through the whole school effort in collecting Yellow Pages for recycling for the Yellow Woods challenge, where we saved 1,800 copies from going to a landfill. If you saw the size of the piles you will appreciate just how effective this team effort was.

Next on the agenda for Eco Schools is our work towards the Silver Award. Our project to help us achieve Silver is to reduce the energy we use in school, particularly through becoming more efficient in our use of heating, lighting and all our electrical appliances. We will keep you posted on our progress. If any families are trying to cut down their energy use at home we would be interested to hear how you are doing it, perhaps children could write or draw any examples.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW FRENCH TRAINEE TEACHERS

We are very pleased to welcome two French trainees who will be with us until the end of term 2. Orane Castel will be based in F4 and Fabian Bornet will be based in B5. Both trainees will be talking to the children about French culture, helping out with some language learning and adding to the enriched curriculum. We very much hope that Orane and Fabian find their time with us enjoyable and beneficial.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club continues to go from strength to strength, providing an excellent start to the day for many of our children. Just in case you are not sure about the arrangements for Breakfast Club here are some reminders:

Start time: 7.45 (please do not arrive earlier than this because staff will not be able to accept your child)

Cost: For one hour from 7.45 to 8.45 the cost is £1 for child care plus the cost of any food eaten. For a shorter stay from 8.30 to 8.45 the cost is 30p.

Activities and supervision: The children can choose from a variety of activities each day, including some that are quiet, such as drawing, and some which can get more boisterous! The children are supervised by school staff (either Teaching Assistants or Lunchbreak Supervisors) and the high standards of respect and kindness shown during the school day are also expected during Breakfast Club. This helps to keep Breakfast Club a happy, fun place to start the day! First timers will be very welcome!

Eleanor Children's Charitable Trust Appeal

Thank you to everyone who donated a shoe box for the children in Romania, we appreciate your amazing generosity.

Our target for this year was 80 boxes but we have nearly doubled that target and we have collected a whopping 158 boxes altogether! Once again a huge thank you to everybody who took part. Your generosity will help make someone's Christmas that little bit more special.

Eva and Savannah on behalf of the School Council.



Christmas Cards

This year the staff at Longwell Green have agreed to reduce the amount of card and paper consumed at Christmas by sending one Christmas card each to the other staff as a whole rather than a card to each individual. This is an important step for the school to take because it will drastically reduce the number of cards sent from about 1000 to about 50, a reduction of 500%! We know that this special time of year is a time when children like to join in the giving and sharing, but we would like to encourage families to support us in reducing the number of cards being sent. Perhaps children could make cards out of recycled paper, or send one card to their class rather than to each individual. Cutting down in this way would be good both for the environment and also for the pocket!



Christmas Lunch – Friday, 12th December



On Friday, 12th December the School Kitchen will be serving traditional Christmas Lunch, the menu being as follows:

Roast Turkey with Sage and Onion Stuffing and Sausage and Bacon Roll

or Vegetarian Pie (V)

Roast Potatoes

Carrots and Pea Medley

Brussels Sprouts

Gravy

Vicarage Pudding or Mince Pie or Ice Cream or Chocolate Sponge and Custard

A school lunch is now £1.55 and if your child would like to stay please could you complete and return the slip below by Friday, 5th December. Christmas dinner money should be sent into school on Monday 8th December in an envelope marked with your child’s name and class as usual. If your child has any special dietary requirements you wish to discuss please speak to the School Office.



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My child/children would like to stay for Christmas Lunch on Friday, 12th December.

Name(s): Class(es):