



NEWSLETTER



LOBSTER LIBRARY

From next Monday 26th, the Lobster Library will be open on Monday only after school. At this time of the year, everyone is really busy so we will reduce the after-school opening to Mondays until further notice. Please do make use of this excellent resource. We have some beautiful books for you to share with children of all ages.

MATHS WORKSHOPS

The CALAT Maths Workshop for Year 1/2 parents/carers was fantastically well attended last week with 17 people attending. This was an excellent response and everyone who came had fun. If you have a child in Year 5/6, then it is your chance to attend next Thursday's Maths Workshop (29th November) in the Junior Hall from 9.15-11.15am.



LEARNING LINKS

Learning Links has started after school on a Thursday. Please come along to support your child with either a particular piece of homework or for support from one of the two teachers present with any aspect of your child's learning. This takes place in the main building in the STAR Room. Please ask at the Office for directions.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

This will take place on Sunday 16th December. If you can spare just an hour to help with the preparations: wrapping prizes etc..., please speak to a member of SNAPS. Any help you can offer will be greatly appreciated and every penny raised will support your child's learning.



A reminder that on Friday 30th November, the children can dress in the 'colours of Christmas' and bring in a £1 donation or something for the Christmas Fair.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

The following Councillors were elected by the children in their class to represent their classes on the School Council. I aim to meet with the Council weekly. Following our initial meetings since half-term, the Councillors have identified three key areas for action: improving the playground environment, making sure that the pond-dipping area is kept tidy and organising a Recycling Day. More news from the School Council as these projects are put into action.

1R Suraya Bowes & Kyle McLellan
2B Aaron headley & Khadejah Lavin
3B Paige Quinn & Amani Taylor
4B George Hill & Ashli Myers
5H Shannon Jackowski & Adam Woods
6E Masai Farquarson & Matilda Lines

1S Khalil Brown & Tia White
2C Matthew Adebisi & Kimberley Bailey
3T Shaquille Islam & Leela Takwani
4D Levi Bridgeman-Simon & Leigha Butters
5M Neneh Russell & Dwayne Thompson
6P Chenai Hackshaw & Cairo Piggot

FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

On Monday, two teams of Year 4 girls took part in a football tournament as part of our School School Partnership development.

4B Maria Williams, Charlotte Crozier, Rolake Adefioye, Ashli Myers, Brianna Cordice, Susanna Wikho Ng, Lauryn Russell and Jolisa Scott

4D Leigha Butters, Morgan Parnell, Megan McManus, Charday Tamakloe and Rochelle Spencer.

They had a wonderful day (albeit very cold and wet) which ended with the team of Morgan, Charday, Ashli, Susannah, Charlotte and Leigha winning the Team B Competition! They brought back a fantastic trophy which we can display proudly with the school's other cups and trophies.



NETBALL MATCHES

Ms Habboo has arranged two matches against other schools this half-term, both of which they have won. Another fantastic achievement and well done to all of those children in the netball squad who took part.

COATS

Please ensure that your child has a coat in this cold weather. There are still several children who are coming to school without a warm coat. Please make sure that your child's name is clearly marked in the coat.

READING WITH YOUR CHILD

I am sure you have heard recently in the news about children's progress in reading. Reading is the skill that underpins all others and without this vital skill, children's access to their learning is seriously hindered. **PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE...read regularly with your child.** I know that many of you do so already but many of our children need regular reading practice at home, on a one-to-one basis. Just 5-10 minutes each day will have an enormous impact on not only your child's reading but also his/her self-esteem.

We have introduced many new initiatives to support reading in school, but with additional support at home, the impact will increase. If you would like any guidance on how to support your child's reading at home, please do not hesitate to ask your child's class teacher.