

Next Week's Lunch Menu

- Monday** Lasagne + salad
Tarte of apples
- Wednesday** Pasta, tomato sauce + cheese
Fruit salad
- Friday** Burgers, salad and potato wedges
Banana custard

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 9	Jessie on 1 st Aid Course (Lizzie covering) Morgan & Faith (Priory Yr 10) here for the week
Tues 10	Swimming
Weds 11	Summer Camp begins Yrs 3,4,5, and 6
Fri 13	Summer Camp ends

- Mon 16 Jessie on 1st Aid Course
Wed 18 9.15am Summer Fair Meeting - all welcome
Fri 20 Class 3 & 4 to Romeo & Juliet at St Bedes
Mon 23 Jessie on 1st Aid Course
Tue 24 Yr 6 taster day to Priory
Wed 25 OPEN DAY
Thu 26 1.30pm Trustees Meeting
- ..and in July
- Thurs 3 July Morning: Sports Day
Sat 5 July Summer Fair - 2.00 -5.00
Thurs 10 July Class 3 Dance Festival: Roedean Theatre - 5-7pm
Fri 11 July Patina Parade [Y6]
Tue 15 July Leavers' Performance
Weds 16 July End of Term: Midday - Picnic in Pells Park

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I set off home this evening in search of inspiration for this week's letter. Just minutes in to my ride I encountered an electric buggy packed with juggling gear and parked in the middle of the narrow path that leads to the Landport Estate. Close by was the rider peeing into the bushes! The peeing man and I managed to invent suitable pleasantries for such an occasion before continuing with our journeys. I spent the next mile or so pondering how this could link to anything I might write. Had the guy been facing in to the wind I could have had some fun, but instead I concluded that this wasn't a week for poetry, but rather for announcing good news . . . which is that we have finally appointed a new teacher for our school whose name is Anna Wakelin. Anna has been teaching in a school in Worthing for the last three years and has developed some very creative teaching practices. She also has a good deal of successful experience working with children in other settings.

The process that led to Anna's appointment began when she visited the school after spotting our ad in the Times Educational Supplement. We were drawn to her friendly style and thoughtful presence. On reading her application we were clear that she should be short-listed for interview by Matthew, Jessie, Marco and myself. From 6 interviewees we chose a final 2 who I then arranged to observe in their respective schools. Anna had created a stimulating and vibrant learning environment. Watching her teach was a bit like watching someone spinning plates (perhaps the juggling man has inspired me after all!). Having set the children to their different tasks she moved between them offering exactly what they needed to keep going. From this I was clear that she was just the kind of teacher we were after. I fed back to the panel as well as to Charlie and to Hermione, and it was decided that Anna should be offered the job. Before contracts were signed Hermione and Charlie met with Anna and wholeheartedly approved her appointment.

I look forward to introducing Anna to you in the coming weeks and to welcoming her in to our community of learners.

Lizzie

6 June 2008

Summer Fair Thoughts

What a creative bunch we all are! We have lots of ideas for the Summer Fair – now all we need is your help. Can you spare some time to help run a stall? Bake a cake or play a tune? Everyone can get involved. Please check the notice board by the kitchen for a full list of all planned activities and either sign up or speak to your class representative.

The next meeting of the team will be on Weds 18th June in the Quiet Room at the start of the school day.
Kelly (*Japhy Class 1*)

Camp

Please remember that children should be brought directly to the woods between 9.30 and 10 am. On the Friday parents will need to arrive to dismantle tents and collect children between 2.30 and 3.

We are still awaiting some consent forms without which children will not be able to attend the camp. The group of parents who have kindly offered to organise food for the camp also need to refer to these so that they can be sure to meet all dietary requirements

Don't forget the Wellbeing event this weekend – there will be free entry for all LNS families –pick up a leaflet

NB Sunday Sport will be at 11am at the Pells play park – weather permitting – everyone welcome!

Takeaway

Development of the playground continues apace and we are finally ready to move what was the old office and is now the sports 'cupboard'.

If you would be interested in buying this portacabin please speak to Marco (*Martha, Class 2*)

Your time – our money

Great News! The Fundraising Team have discovered that help given by parents with workshops, school trips etc effectively raises significant funds for the school. The generous and valuable time given by parents has, in the eyes of donors, a pecuniary value.... every hour we put in is worth at least £8.

So, please add up the hours you have 'donated' in this academic year, stating clearly what each activity was and hand these details to you Class Rep. A simple estimate of hours will suffice! Please be sure to keep a record of hours that you donate henceforth. If you want to know more ask one of the team: Jane (*Wilkie*), Karen (*Millie and Alfie*) and Nimmy (*Khaya, Malachy and Lottie*)

Teenager with time

Do you know of a strong, energetic teenager in need of some extra pocket money? We could do with someone to sweep the playground each weekend. This is a minimum of 2 hours work for which we pay £5 an hour. Please let the office know.

Kids on work experience

Two Y10 Priory School students will be joining us to help out next week and to experience work in a primary school. Morgan Grant, who came to LNS and was taught by Matthew a few years back, will come and help out during the day at the camp. Faith Leeves who is the big sister of a child soon to start in Class 1 will be helping out back at school with younger children.

If you need to find out term and holiday dates for next year you can see them on the school website. Follow 'News and Info' then 'Dates and Events'. If you would prefer a paper copy, just pop into the office and ask Cath or Mandi.