

School Dinners

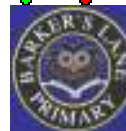
The cost of school dinners from 6th January 2009 will be £1.85 per day/£9.25 per week for infants and £1.90 per day/£9.50 per week for juniors. Please make cheques payable to 'Wrexham CBC'.

Recycling

We are committed to the environment and recycle where facilities allow. Fruit peelings and skins



from dinner time go to our Roly-Pig for composting, office and classroom waste paper is collected weekly and ink/toner cartridges are sorted and sent to a local firm. If you have any ink/toner cartridges please send them to the school office. The PTA have completed the Fones4Schools project. Thank you for your support which helped raise £300 towards PTA funds.



The Fledgling

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Welcome to the latest edition of The Fledgling, the newsletter for the infants. Mrs Harrison has settled in to her new role as school cook and has had a taster session for the infant pupils (see over for her report). The new building for the After School Club has been installed and the final fitting out is underway. Christmas events are taking place including the fair, theatre and cinema visits, groups and entertainers visiting us and the annual plays and concerts held in school and church. Further details of these events can be found inside this newsletter. Wishing you all the very best for the Christmas break and New Year.

PTA News

The Christmas Fair was a great success and you helped us to raise £2181.72. Many thanks for your support. The next PTA event is the disco this Friday 12th December for Reception and year 1 & 2 children. Please see flyer for details. If you have any ideas for future events please contact the school office, a member of the PTA or join us at our next meeting where you will be made very welcome. The PTA have

subsidised the Christmas events for the children including the theatre, cinema and Christmas party entertainment. They have also paid towards school visits during the summer term, the media screens and equipment in the hall and foyer, football kits and books for the school libraries.

Charities

Thank you for your support for our charities this year. The Poppy Day Appeal for the

HOLIDAYS 2008—2009

	School closes/closed	School opens
Christmas	Friday 19 December	Tuesday 6 January 2009
Training Day	Monday 5 January 2009	
Half term	Friday 13 February	Monday 23 February
Easter	Thursday 2 April	Tuesday 21 April
Training Day	Friday 3 April	
Training Day	Monday 20 April	
May Day	Monday 4 May	
Half term	Friday 22 May	Monday 1 June
Training Day	Friday 26 June	
Summer	Friday 17 July	Wednesday 2 September
Training Day	Tuesday 1 September	
Half term	Friday 23 October	Monday 2 November
Training Day	Friday 20 November	
Christmas	Friday 18 December	Tuesday 5 January 2010

Royal British Legion raised £56.96; Harvest Festival produce was donated to the Salvation Army and Save the



Family; Marie Curie Daffodil Appeal raised £107.76. We are currently offering on behalf of Nightingale House Wrexham 'Mini Friends' for a suggested donation of £1.00. These friends are suitable for hanging on Christmas trees or for standing. Last year you helped us to raise £144.00 from sales of Mini Friends and £100 from concert donations; please support us again if you can.

Clubs

The After School Club is available to all registered children for both before and after school care. The new bespoke building will enhance this provision allowing for increased arts

and craft activities, structured & free play and the usual outdoor activities subject to the weather. New activities are also being planned with external workshops for dance, environmental and health being arranged. We expect to open the premises early in the New Year.

The Gardening Club has moved some of the allotments to make room for the new building. New allotments will be dug and created followed by the sowing of a variety of vegetable seeds and tubers. If any parent or grandparent wishes to help with the club please contact the school office, Mrs Stapley or Mrs Richardson.

School Dinners

The number of pupils taking school dinners are continuing to rise and Mrs Harrison, School Cook, is very pleased with the table manners. A tasting session was recently held for pupils from Reception and Years 1 & 2 and Mrs Harrison was asked for her comments said 'I would like to say thank you to the children who joined in with the taster session. We had curry, rice and

nan bread to try. A lot of the children enjoyed it. I would like to say Happy Christmas and New Year to you all.'

Christmas Dinner will be served on Tuesday 16th December; please return the Christmas Dinner slip sent home at the beginning of this half term if you wish your child to have Christmas dinner. The infant menu is changing for the new year and a copy is enclosed. Dinner costs for the new year can be found on the back page of this newsletter and all dinner information can be found on the school website and the screen in the school foyer.

We would also like to send congratulations to Mrs Harrison on achieving the Silver Food Hygiene Award in the recent inspection by Wrexham County Borough on behalf of the Welsh Food Hygiene Scheme.

Concerts

The Early Years will be performing their Christmas concert on Wednesday 10th December at 10.30am. The Infants will perform on

Friday 12th at 9.30am.

Christmas Parties

Early Years will have their party on Wednesday 17th December; please see letter to follow for further details. The Infant party will take place on Thursday 18th December.

Cinderella

The Infant pupils visited Theatre Clwyd in Mold on Thursday 4th December to watch the panto with soul. Mrs Williams said that the children thoroughly enjoyed the production and that they all had a fantastic time. Follow up work has been undertaken with children writing about their favourite character. This panto was also an introduction for Year 1 pupils who will be studying fairy tales in the new year.

Many thanks for your support on these visits and also to the PTA for subsidising the cost, helping to keep the parent contributions down.

