

### School Dinners

The cost of school dinners from 8th January 2008 will be £1.75 per day/£8.75 per week for infants and £1.80 per day/£9.00 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 are running the Fones4Schools project. Please send any old mobile phones you have finished with to school.



# The Owl

December 2007 Edition 2

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Welcome to the latest edition of The Owl, the newsletter for the Juniors.

Christmas is rapidly approaching and we still have a lot of activities to fit in before we finish. Parties, dinners and excursions have been planned and details follow. The Parent Teacher Association have been invaluable again this year and have helped to finance some major purchases for school and also subsidise pupil visits. A very big warm thank you to everyone who helps behind the scenes and to those of you who come and support their initiatives.

We wish you all a wonderful Christmas and look forward to the new challenges that the next term will bring.

### Puppets

Coverdale Puppets will be performing to the pupils on Wednesday 5th December in a show sponsored by the Salvation Army and based on the Christmas Story.

form by Friday 7th December if you wish your child to have Christmas dinner. The usual dinner cost of £1.65 for infants and £1.70 for juniors will apply.

### School Concerts

The Juniors will be performing in St John's Church Rhosnesni on Monday 17th December at 6.30pm and Tuesday 18th December at 9.15am. Parents,

### Christmas Dinner

We will be serving Christmas Dinner to the full-time pupils on Tuesday 18th December. Please return the enclosed

### HOLIDAYS 2007—2008

	School closes/closed	School opens
Christmas	Friday 21 December	Tuesday 8 January 08
Training Day	Monday 7 January 08	
Half term	Friday 8 February	Monday 18 February
Easter	Wednesday 19 March	Tuesday 8 April
Training Day	Thursday 20 March	
Training Day	Monday 7 April	
May Day	Monday 5 May	
Half term	Friday 23 May	Monday 2 June
Training Day	Friday 27 June	
Summer	Friday 18 July	Tuesday 2 September
Training Day	Monday 1 September	
Half term	Friday 24 October	Monday 3 November
Training Day	Friday 21 November	

Grandparents and friends are welcome to attend. Full details to follow.

### **Toy Day**

All Junior pupils are invited to bring in one (not too large) toy from home on Friday 21st December for use in the afternoon.

### **Out and About**

The Juniors will be visiting the Odeon cinema in Wrexham on Wednesday 19th December. This will be followed on Thursday 20th December by a visit to Megabowl in Chester. Details of both events will follow; we would like to thank the PTA for subsidising both of these visits.

### **PTA News**

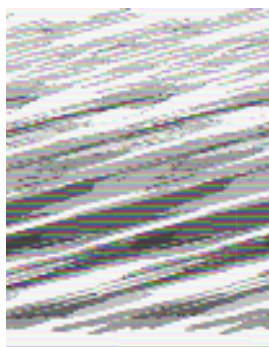
Many thanks to everyone who supported the Christmas Fair. We raised over £1700 for PTA funds through the raffle, refreshments and stalls. This money will help purchase more resources for the pupils and to subsidise

parties and visits. The next PTA event is a **pupil disco** on Friday 7th December. The infant disco is from 6.00—6.45pm and the juniors from 7.00—8.00pm. Entrance is £2.00 and will include a drink and crisps.

### **Sports**

The netball team have had great success so far and have won all their games to date. Many thanks to Mrs Walker for giving her time to training the team and to all parents who help in transport and cheering the girls on during the matches. Our next match will be at home against Rhosddu on Wednesday 5th December.

In the football we are not doing quite so well yet but it is still early in the season. The team have commitment and are learning the skills that are vital to ensure a good team. We are confident that they will mature and bring glory and fair play to the field. Later in the season they will represent us in the William Aston Cup. Thank you to all the parents who have supported us with lifts.



### **Charities**

Thank you for the support you have given over the years. This academic year we will be supporting Marie Curie Pots of Care appeal as our main charity. For the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal we helped raise £60.67; many thanks for your support.

In the foyer of the school we have cute little cuddly penguins, snowmen, reindeer, Father Christmas & etc. These are being sold on behalf of Nightingale House Hospice at a recommended £1.00 each. The figures are ideal for Christmas trees or as a stocking filler.

Can we take this opportunity to request plastic tops from milk cartons only. This initiative is on behalf of Derwen College in Gobowen. The college are collecting the milk carton tops which are then exchanged for funding towards wheelchairs for the disabled.

### **Extra-Curricula Clubs**

The clubs, with the exception of Choir, will finish on Friday 7th December and recommence in the new year from the week beginning Monday 14th January

2008.

Clubs from January will include:

- ◆ Netball Years 4 - 6
- ◆ Football Years 5 & 6
- ◆ Rugby Years 3 & 4
- ◆ Performing Arts Years 4 – 6
- ◆ Dance Year 3
- ◆ Guitar Year 4

After the February half term break we will be restarting the Gardening club run by Mrs Stapley.

Please remember that if any club is cancelled due to bad weather we will look after the pupils until parents arrive to collect them at the normal end of club time (4.00pm).

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