

# Lodge Lane News



Spring Term  
30.1.2012

## Food Glorious Food!

This year we are working towards the Food for Life silver award. As part of this our school kitchen is organising some *Mystery Muffin Workshops* which you can find out more about later in the newsletter.

Our Family Learning Days (28-29<sup>th</sup> March) will also be food themed – please add these dates to your diary so you can come and join in the fun.



## Golden Assembly Certificates

### 20<sup>th</sup> January 2012

Diamond Class – Mrs  
Tuddenham and Mrs Lemmon  
Isabelle Williams

Ruby Class – Mrs Beatty  
Kayleigh Wright

Emerald Class – Miss Wyatt  
Jack Oakley

Topaz Class – Miss Hilditch  
and Mrs Daubney  
Scarlett Smith

Moonstone Class – Mrs  
Bragger  
Chloe-Jayne Copsey

Amethyst Class – Miss  
Llewelin & Mrs Hoffbauer  
Lewis Alcock

Sapphire Class – Miss Keatley  
Kieran Pegg

Weekly Attendance Awards  
1st place – Topaz CI (98.9%)  
2nd place – Diamond CI (98.5%)  
3rd place – Emerald CI (97.3%)  
**Whole School Attend. – 95.1%**

Reuben the Bear  
Tabitha Tobias – for having a  
hard working attitude at school

### 27<sup>th</sup> January 2012

Diamond Class – Mrs  
Tuddenham and Mrs Lemmon  
Tyler Maund

Ruby Class – Mrs Beatty  
James Lofts

Emerald Class – Miss Wyatt  
Alfie White

Topaz Class – Miss Hilditch  
and Mrs Daubney  
Lucy Johnson

Moonstone Class – Mrs  
Bragger  
Izzy Taylor and Calli Atkins

Amethyst Class – Miss  
Llewelin & Mrs Hoffbauer  
Brandon Clarke and Kyle  
Holland

Sapphire Class – Miss Keatley  
Brandon Lee

Weekly Attendance Awards  
1st place – Emerald CI (98.4%)  
2nd place – Sapphire CI (97.8%)  
3rd place – Topaz and  
Moonstone CI (96.3%)  
**Whole School Attend. – 96.2%**

Reuben the Bear  
Caitlin Loombe – for always  
being kind, considerate and  
courteous to other people at  
school



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## Last chance for website email competition...

This is the last week to enter into the prize draw on our school website. Parents can enter their email address on the front page of our website to get automatic emails when newsletters etc are added.

All parents who add their email address will be entered into a prize draw to win five tickets to visit Gressenhall, which is a great day out. Our website is: [www.lodgelaneschool.co.uk](http://www.lodgelaneschool.co.uk)

## The great muffin mystery!

After half term every class will take part in our *Mystery Muffin challenge*. This is being run by Karen Willimott (our school cook) and Norse, the catering company who run the school kitchen. Every week, children from SNAG (School's Nutrition Action Group) together with other children from their class will make some muffins with a mystery ingredient in. They will take back enough for everyone in their class to have one and the children need to guess what the mystery ingredient is!

These sessions are helping to support the school's work to promote food and all ingredients used, where possible, will be locally sourced. This is part of our project to work towards the Food for Life silver award.



## Spare clothes

Our spare clothes stock is getting very low. If you have any spare clothes which are no longer needed, please could you send them in for us to reuse.

If your child ever borrows school clothes, please could they be returned to school, washed, as quickly as possible.

Please could we remind parents to name all items of uniform. Names do slowly wash out and we have a lot of missing uniform with no names in...

## Beginning of school day

As school now starts at 8.50am, we are planning activities for children to do as soon as they come into school. All classes will have this in place from next week. If your child comes into school after 8.50am they will miss out on valuable learning time every day.

Activities include reading with teachers or teaching assistants, handwriting, sentence writing practice, spelling practice and computer activities. Please aim to get to school before 8.50am so your child can start learning as soon as the classroom doors open.

## Attendance update

Our whole school attendance continues to be much better this year which is helping children to make better progress.

Please remember that holidays can only be authorised in term time under *exceptional circumstances*. This is because any time off school has an impact on the progress which children make at school.

## Reading bookmarks

This week children will bring home a new reading bookmark. This needs to stay in their reading book all of the time.

These bookmarks have ideas and questions to help support children's reading. Each bookmark has been designed to help children make progress in line with the books they are reading.

These book marks cost 4p each to produce, so for the whole school to have one costs almost £10. Over the course of a year it is likely to cost around £50. Please help us to get best value out of these by talking to your child about looking after them as we are confident they will help children to make better progress with their reading skills. Thank you.

## Relief Lunchtime Staff (MSAs)

If you are interested in being a relief MSA please see the headteacher.

Lodge Lane WAGs  
(Wildlife Area and Garden Support Team!)

Yes, I had to read that twice as well! Please see the note at the bottom of this letter from our outdoor learning team.

The pond area has been completely cleared and should be much easier to maintain this year. Please return the slip if you would like to help out in the pond area.



Andy Tovell  
Headteacher

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Supervision before and after school

Please remember that children need supervising if they play on any outdoor equipment before or after school.

Newsletter advertising

We will soon have a parents' advertising space on our newsletters. Please see the 'Friends of' page for more details.

Medical forms

Please remember medical forms (for prescribed medicines) now need to be completed before 8.50am. There is a member of staff in school to do this every day from 8.40am.

## Wildlife Area and Garden Support Team (WAGS)

At Lodge Lane we have beautiful outdoor spaces which we use to enhance the learning and wellbeing of our pupils. These areas have been developed over the last few years and now include:

- The school vegetable garden and orchard
- The new sensory garden and willow dome
- The wildlife and nature area (woodland and pond area)

These areas need looking after to keep them at their best. We are looking to set up a team of volunteers to help us with jobs which the children cannot manage. This can be great fun and a good way of helping at school. Typical jobs include keeping the pond tidy and occasionally helping to tidy sheds etc. To help keep on top of jobs, we plan to run a WAGS morning on the first Wednesday of the month. Helping out will be on a drop in basis; come for as long or as often as you are able to. If you would like to come and help, please fill in the slip below.



*I would like to help out at the WAGS mornings.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parent of \_\_\_\_\_

Contact telephone number \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

## School dates...

### Spring Term 2012

30 <sup>th</sup> Jan-3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Families to lunch week (this week)
31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Messy Play session, 2-3pm
13 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Half term – school closed
20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	School starts
28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Messy play session, 2.00-3.00pm
TBC	Sport Relief
16 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Easter disco and bonnet competition
22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	School reports to go home
28 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Family Learning Day – Outdoor activities – times TBC
29 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Family Learning Day – Outdoor activities – times TBC
30 <sup>th</sup> Mar	'Friends of' Easter Egg Hunt
2-13 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Easter holiday – school closed

### Summer Term 2012

7 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank holiday – school closed
14-18 <sup>th</sup> May	Parents to lunch week
18 <sup>th</sup> May	Summer disco
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Family Learning Day – Outdoor activities – times TBC
24 <sup>th</sup> May	Family Learning Day – Outdoor activities – times TBC
4-8 <sup>th</sup> June	Half term – school closed
11 <sup>th</sup> June	School starts
TBC	Spree Books to be sent home
14 <sup>th</sup> June	Bag2School collection, 9am
18-22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Parents picnic week
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Non-uniform day – raffle donation for Summer BBQ
26 <sup>th</sup> June	Learning reviews (Parents evening) 4.30-7.00pm
<u>27<sup>th</sup> June new date</u>	Learning reviews (Parents evening) 3.30-6.00pm
<u>28<sup>th</sup> June new date</u>	School closed – inset day (staff training)
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports day 9.15
6 <sup>th</sup> July	'Friends of' Summer BBQ, 6-9pm
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Y2 leavers assembly, 1.30pm
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Y2 disco, 1.30pm
23 <sup>rd</sup> Jul- 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Summer holiday – school closed
TBC	<i>Class assembly dates</i>

# 'Friends of' Lodge Lane Infant School

## Advertise your business here...

We are going to trial adding adverts for parent businesses in the school newsletters. All funds raised will go straight to the 'Friends of' to support the children.

The cost will be £2 for an advert (approx business card size) per newsletter which are sent to over 200 parents every fortnight! If you are interested, please see Andy Tovell (headteacher) or email [newsletters@lodgeLANESCHOOL.CO.UK](mailto:newsletters@lodgeLANESCHOOL.CO.UK).

There will only be ten spaces initially however this may increase depending on demand. Spaces will be allocated on a 'first come first served' basis. Please indicate how many issues you would like your advert to appear in when you send information. We can either accept business cards or text emailed. If information is emailed we can accept one picture / graphic, preferably as a jpg file. Please see the headteacher if you have any further questions.

### Bag 2 School Collections

Our next collection date is 14<sup>th</sup> June 2012 however you can drop off bags anytime as we will store them until the collection date.

### Water Bottles and bottle tops

Water bottles and tops are always available from the school office. Bottles cost £1.50 and replacement tops cost 20p.

### Glass recycling

Every time the bottle bank is emptied we get £30. The bottle bank is for mixed glass. Please recycle as much glass as you can – thank you.



### More details?

If you would like to know more, please speak to Lucy Archer, Denise Edwards or any other 'Friends of' member. There is one in most classes.

### 'Friends of' dates...

16 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Easter disco and bonnet competition
18 <sup>th</sup> May	Summer Discos
14 <sup>th</sup> June	Bag2School collection
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Non-uniform day (raffle donation for Summer BBQ)
6 <sup>th</sup> July 6-9pm	Summer BBQ

## Community Notices

We are excited to announce that the up to date information for the Olympic Torch Relay celebrations is now available on our cluster website on the events calendar. The dates are 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> July. Please visit the website [www.sprowstoncluster.co.uk](http://www.sprowstoncluster.co.uk) for the information. It is expected that the city will be extremely busy on those 2 days, so the council are advising people to plan their visits well in advance, so we are lucky to be getting all the information as soon as it becomes available. As more information becomes available, the website will be constantly updated, so do keep visiting.

*Vici Bailey ESCO Sprowston Cluster.*  
[www.sprowstoncluster.co.uk](http://www.sprowstoncluster.co.uk)