



Lydeard St Lawrence
SCHOOL NEWS

Autumn 2009

24th November

As we speed towards the end of term, with all the usual planned events and a few surprises, we have lots of information to send out to you today, so please forgive the assault on the trees.

You should receive today: Governors' newsletter; play ticket forms; costume checklist; Christmas lunch order form; photograph information letter.

The performance tickets will be allocated in the order we receive your slip back. All forms go to the class teacher in the first instance please.

Plans are well ahead for the Christmas Fair on Friday night. We still need donations for the various stalls, but thank you to all those of you who have generously contributed so far.

The wreath makers are going to be working on Thursday and Friday in Gillian Luxton's barn, as advertised, and would like as much greenery as you can spare. Please bring this to school tomorrow or Thursday at the latest please.

Emily Fairweather, one of our parents, is also a professional photographer, with her own website. She has kindly volunteered to take photographs, as we always do, of school events; and the permission form you have signed covers this when we are using the photographs in school, or on our website.

Emily would also be prepared to take informal photographs of your children as an alternative school photograph, with your permission, and put them on a password protected website for you to view and purchase if you wish, with a percentage going to school funds. We would like to know what the interest would be in this and would be grateful for your feedback.

Next term we will be beginning the extra music tuition organised by Mrs Pickard and Mr Kirby, the music teacher. If there are any outstanding forms, they must be returned by tomorrow please, so that we can organise groups. We will also be starting netball next term, on Thursday lunchtimes. This will be for girls and boys in classes 2 and 3 and run by Miss Wood and Mrs David. More information will be sent at the beginning of term.

Many of the children have been poorly in the last two weeks and we seem to be missing some absence slips. A green form will come home if you do not send a note with the children when they return, so that you can fill it in and send back to school. If you see one of these forms, please return it to your child's class teacher. The attendance officer expects to see this to match the electronic register, and some children's attendance, through ill-health or holidays in term time, is now at the level where he scrutinises every absence.

Dates for Christmas events:

Friday 27 th November 6.00pm	Christmas Fair (school)
Thursday 3 rd December 1.15pm	Afternoon performance (dress rehearsal) school
Tuesday 8 th December 7.00pm	School Performance (school)
Thursday 10 th December 7.00pm	School Performance (school)
Friday 11 th December	Christmas lunch
Sunday 13 th December	Carol service and Christingle (church) <u>CHANGE OF DATE</u>
Monday 14 th December pm	Parties (classes)
Thursday 17 th December 1.30pm	Good Work Assembly

Have a great week,

Gill Stripp
Headteacher.