



Lowther School Family Newsletter

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Important meeting this week!

We are looking forward to the staff, parent and child consultations regarding the **new building work** (due to start next year) I will be available alongside the architects and project manager to talk you through the plans, discuss the design and to listen to your feedback and ideas.

This will be held in the school hall on **Wednesday 20/10** from 1 — 3 for children and **2.30 — 5 for parents**. There will then be a further consultation with the local community on 10/11 from 2.30 – 7.

This is a wonderful opportunity for you to look at the brilliant plans drawn up by architect Sam and his team and for you to directly feedback what you think. Your opinions really count — please do try and come along — we think you'll like what you see!



This side of the site will be re-developed from July 2012. Come and see (and comment) on the plans

The architects for the next part of the development of the school site are the same as for our 3 time award winning Foundation stage!

Great First Half Term

The teachers, staff and I are very pleased with the efforts the children have put into the first part of their learning journey this year. We hope they continue to work hard and show a genuine love of learning and school. Have a wonderful half term break.

Behaviour Targets!

Each week I set the children a different target. They can earn either a gold, silver or bronze (or indeed no) award.

This term we have had the following targets (and results)

Week 1 Find out fascinating facts — **GOLD**

Week 2 Bug your teacher by answering loads of questions — **GOLD**

Week 3 To produce outstandingly well presented work - **BRONZE**

Week 4 To produce high quality homework — **GOLD**

Week 5 To line up super straight and super quickly — **GOLD**

Week 6 To look after the school's sports equipment — **NO AWARD**

Week 7— *To produce high quality work* - result at the end of this week

Another Award!

On Wednesday we were invited to the British Construction Industry awards. The new building was nominated in 3 separate categories -

- Best construction project under £3m
- Best local authority project
- The Prime Ministers better public building award.

We were delighted to win the best construction project under £3m (in the country!) Specific reference was made to the input of parents and children into the space. We are all delighted! The building has now scooped 3 NATIONAL awards. Please do try and come this Wednesday so that we can create a space on the other side of the school site that your children will receive the very best education in. We look forward to seeing you there.



This newsletter can also be found at <http://www.lowther.richmond.sch.uk/newsletters.html>

Harvest Celebrations are upon us!

The harvest celebrations are on Tuesday from 11 a.m. The children have been very busy preparing songs and performances for you. Please send in donations of gifts for our local elderly residents (including names of any members of the local community who would benefit from a gift of a food parcel or you can take a parcel to give to someone you know)

We hope to see you at the celebrations on Tuesday.

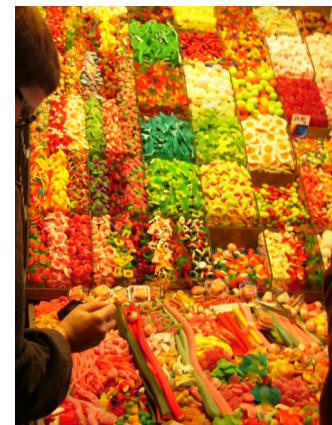
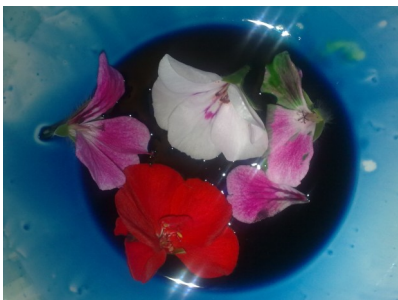


What a picture!

WOW! What a great number of entries we had for the photo competition. We had a total of over 80 pictures — all of which will be on display in an exhibition in the welcome lobby.

Thanks to all that got snapping! The range of creativity and ideas was just brilliant! An online gallery of all the entries is available at

<http://www.lowther.richmond.sch.uk/gallery.html>



The 4 winning entries by Harrison (Year 2), Megan (Year 4), Molly (Year 8) and Jack Day (Adult winner) — the overall standard of photos was extremely high.

Barking!

Please do not bring dogs onto school grounds for health and safety reasons. We hope you understand why. Thanks for your co-operation.

Community Gardening Day

November 6th

10.30—12.30

We will be working on the areas around KS1, the library and Foundation Stage.

More hands make light work! Please join us in our effort to make these areas of the school look fantastic.

See Wendy Wriglesworth or a member of the PTA

Mr.Tuffney's Internet Homework

I was delighted with the response to the Internet homework which asked children to find out things on our improved school website— we had nearly 50 children attempt this “extra” homework—which shows a brilliant attitude to learning. . We hope you had fun doing it.

