



# Lowther School Family Newsletter

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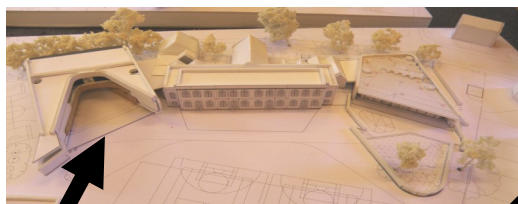
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## Important meeting next week!

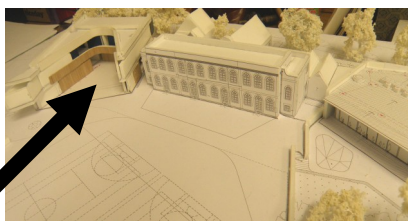
Thank you to all of you that came to the first building consultation — your feedback is so important to developing the school in the way the families and children of Lowther want. If you missed that then please do come along to the wider community consultations regarding the **new building work** (due 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 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!



Come and see (and comment) on the plans. A model is available for you to look at in the Welcome lobby



The expansion will see the school grow from 1 class for each year group to 2—we currently have 9 classes (plus Nursery) Each year we will grow one extra class so that by 2015 we will have 14 classes (plus Nursery) The new development will ensure children at Lowther continue to receive fantastic teaching in a brilliant learning environment.

## Welcome back!

We hope you enjoyed the half term break and managed to spend some quality family time together. This half term certainly promises to be a busy and exciting one. I know the children will get stuck into some high quality learning and work their absolute hardest.

## Send a Cow

We managed to raise £100 from the Harvest lunch for the Send a Cow charity. They were delighted and have sent a certificate of thanks (on display outside the headship room) Thank you to all those that contributed towards this very worthwhile cause.  
[www.sendacow.org.uk](http://www.sendacow.org.uk)



## Key Stage 2 Target Meetings

The teachers in Key stage 2 are looking forward to the upcoming pupil target meetings next week. If you haven't already then please book your appointment for these vital meetings as soon as possible.

## What's going on this term?

Here are some key dates you may want to put in your diary now. This half term always has lots of events going on.

**Community Gardening Day** Saturday November 6th 10.30—12.30

**Community Building Consultation** Wednesday 10th November from 2.30 – 7.

**PTA Spirit of Winter Evening** Thursday 11th November 6-9pm

**“Fry up Friday”** 19th November 8.20 am — Special breakfast for Dads—more details to follow.

**Takeover Day** for Year 2 to 6 — Friday November 26th

**School Christmas Fair** Friday 3rd December

**Nativity Dress Rehearsal** for Key Stage 2 and parents with young children — Monday 6th December at 1.30pm

**Nativity afternoon performance** — Tuesday 7th December at 1.30pm

**Nativity morning performance** — Wednesday 8th December at 9.30am

**School Christmas service** at Holy Trinity Church — Thursday 16th December at 10am

**End of term** Friday 17th December



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

### Harvest Thank you

I'm sure you'll agree the Harvest celebrations organised by Mrs. Wriglesworth were great. It was wonderful to see (and hear) such fantastic singing, prayers and poetry — and of course enjoy eating rather delicious food! Thank you all so much for coming along to support the children and the school — we love having so many parents come along to events — it really does make Lowther a family. Thank you also for your kind donations — I know our local elders had a great time and were very grateful.



### Help the children are “Taking over!”

For the last 4 years we have run “Takeover day” This is a fun day based on giving children the opportunity to step into the world of work. Last year saw 58 children from Years 2 –6 take on a grown ups role around the school. These jobs ranged from being Mr.Green, to being a governor, to being Chef in the kitchen to teaching lessons in class.

To apply for Takeover Day 2010 children must write a formal letter of application to Mr.Tuffney, Mrs.Wriglesworth or Mrs. Webster. The children will then be invited to a formal interview. Job offers will then be made to successful candidates.

The key dates are

- Deadline for written applications Monday 15th November
- Interviews w/c 15th November
- Job offers will be made by Friday 19th November
- Takeover Day Friday 26th November 2010

All children who gain a position have to complete these 3 requirements

- Be well planned and organised and know what they're doing
- They should be dressed appropriately
- They should have checked with the class teacher or the person they're taking over from as to times, job details etc

It should be a brilliant day. Good luck!

Check out [www.lowther.richmond.sch.uk/gallery.html](http://www.lowther.richmond.sch.uk/gallery.html) for pictures of last years “Takeover Day”



Takeover Day 2009  
A new “Mr Green” and a slightly younger “Mrs Henchie” were busy at work.

#### Community Gardening Day

November 6th

10.30—12.30

**DON'T FORGET— 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 Lowther School Family Homework Challenge!

I was delighted with the response to my first whole school homework last term — so I have decided to set another!

This week I have set the children an optional homework — to either produce a piece of artwork, some writing, a poster, a computer illustration, a photo, a model on

#### **What the LSF is/What the LSF means to you.**

We are hoping to make a book for the Welcome Lobby with the children's work.

The deadline is Monday 8th November