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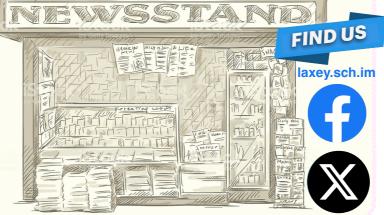
'Bravery, Challenge, Smiling, Honesty, Effort, Failing Well, Positivity, Reflection'



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Dates for Your Diary

08.11.24 Remembrance Assembly

Laxey School Mhelliah 09.11.24

10.11.24 Remembrance at Valley Gardens

13.11.24 Girls Football Tournament

15.11.24 Children In Need (non-uniform)

20.11.24 Autumn Walk

Deadline for Christmas Dinner orders 02.12.24

02.12.24 Start of Christmas Jumper month

02.12.24 Christmas Fair in hall from 3.30pm 10.12.24

Torchlight Procession 11.12.24 Reception Christmas Show at 2pm

12.12.24

Y1/Y2 Christmas Show at 2pm 13.12.24 Y3/Y4 Christmas Show at 2pm

Christmas Dinner Day 13.12.24

16.12.24 Y5/Y6 Christmas Dinner Day

20.12.24 Last day of term

Message from Mr Kelly

Well, everyone, Christmas is certainly just around the corner - a quick look through this month's newsletter reveals plenty of festive treats and events on the horizon! But first, we find ourselves in the season of Remembrance. I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to all who joined us for today's Remembrance Service at school. Laxey School remembers and honours those who have served, and we are grateful to share this important moment with our school community.

Looking ahead, there's an exciting highlight at the end of the month - Laxey School will be attending the Isle of Man Awards for Excellence! We're finalists in the Education category, which is a tremendous recognition of the hard work and dedication shown by our entire school family. From governors to parents, staff, and especially our wonderful children, each one of you has played a role in earning this honour. Win, lose, or draw on the night, you're all winners in my eyes, and I couldn't be prouder to be part of such a fantastic school.

Enjoy this month's newsletter, packed with updates, dates, and festive anticipation. Thank you for being part of our journey and sharing in the vibrant community spirit of Laxey School! With best wishes, Max Kelly, Headteacher

In the interest of the well-being of our school community, we wish to remind parents of the 48-hour rule. If your child experiences symptoms such as vomiting and/or diarrhoea, it is imperative that they stay home and are symptom-free for 48 hours before returning to school. This measure helps in curbing the spread of infections and ensures a healthier environment for all.



Laxey School is celebrating its 95th year! We will mark the occasion with a special surprise soon!

Autumn Walk Our annual Autumn Walk takes place on Wed 20th Nov! See separate letter For info!

Laxey School Mhelliah

We can't wait for our Mhelliah tomorrow evening (Saturday, 9th November) from 7.30 pm at the Institute. It's a BYO event, promising a night filled with joy, camaraderie, and support for Laxey School. Please see Facebook / X for information about silent bidding for some of our really prestigious action items! And please note, we'd prefer cash on the night rather than IOUs wherever possible.

Children In Need 2024

On Friday November 15th, we're swapping uniforms for a heartwarming cause - it's dress down day for Children in Need! We encourage our pupils to bring in spare change too to support this wonderful charity.

Laxey School Remembers

Everyone at Laxey School was so proud of our Year 6 children today who led our annual Remembrance Assembly. Heartfelt gratitude to all those who came to support and pay their respects to the fallen. On Remembrance Sunday (10th November) Mr Astin and a small group of pupil representatives will attend the Laxey Village Service at Valley Gardens on behalf of the school.

Some classes are reporting cases of head lice. Please help us to break the cycle of reoccurrence check regularly and treat your children.



Christmas Productions 2024

This half term the staff and children will be busy preparing their annual Christmas Productions. These productions are not ticketed events, and parents, grandparents, families and friends are duly invited. Productions are performed in the sports hall, and as usual we'll be filming them so that you can retain a copy as a keepsake. Dates and times of the shows are as follows:

Reception class - Wednesday 11th December at 2pm

Years I and 2 - Thursday I2th December at 2pm

Years 3 and 4 - Friday 13th December at 2pm

Years 5 and 6 - Monday 16th December at 2pm

The Laxey Torchlight Procession is scheduled to take place in the evening of Tuesday 10th December! Details TBC

Christmas Hampers

We'd like to invite donations for our famous Christmas Hampers! Bottles of booze, chocolates, teas, coffees, nonperishables, toiletries... all will be gladly accepted. We usually build three hampers, red, gold and green, so if items vaguely hint at one of those colours, all the better! If you feel you have something to give, we are happy to start accepting donations immediately just give them to Miss Webb on the front desk. Tickets for the hampers go on sale at the Christmas Fair and will continue to be on sale throughout the Christmas Productions with the draw taking place on Monday 16th December.

Tuck into a delicious Christmas Lunch on Pecember 13th! All pupils who usually enjoy school dinners will be served a festive meal. If your child doesn't usually partake but would like to join in, **Christmas** please email us by Monday 2nd Pecember. Payments of It's time to £2.55 for this yuletide treat pull out the can be made via parentPay or by cash/cheque.

From Monday 2nd December, pupils are invited to don their Christmas jumpers, adding a sprinkle of festive cheer to our December school days! Remember, school trousers, skirts and shoes are still the look until our full non-uniform celebration in the last week of term.

<u>Jumpers</u>

festive tops!

Christmas Fair

Join us on Monday 2nd December straight after school! Hampers, stalls, cakes... and Santa himself! Save the date and we hope to see you there!





