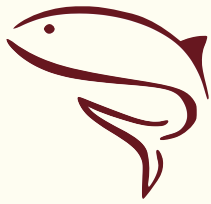


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'Bravery, Challenge, Smiling, Honesty, Effort, Failing Well, Positivity, Reflection'



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**NEWSLETTER
DEC 2024**

Dates for Your Diary

- 06.12.24 Tractor Visit to Laxey School
- 10.12.24 Torchlight Procession (details below)
- 11.12.24 Reception Nativity @2pm
- 12.12.24 Y1/Y2 Christmas Show @2pm
- 13.12.24 Christmas Dinner Day
- 13.12.24 Y3/Y4 Christmas Show @2pm
- 16.12.24 KS1 Santa Train Experience
- 16.12.24 Y5/Y6 Christmas Show @2pm
- 20.12.24 School closes for Christmas @3.30pm
- 06.01.25 School re-opens for Spring Term
- 15.01.25 SNHS Roadshow for Y6 parents @4pm

This is not an exhaustive list! The homepage of our school website has a live calendar of events - check it out!

Message from Mr Kelly

As we approach the end of 2024 it's hard to believe we're already preparing for Christmas! It feels like just yesterday I was writing our first newsletter of the year. The final weeks of term are always a whirlwind of activity, with our pupils practicing tirelessly for their shows and concerts. We can't wait to welcome you to these performances—dates and details are in this letter!

Thank you to everyone who supported our Christmas Fair. It was a wonderful community event, and we're thrilled to share that we raised lots of money for our school fund. Thank you for your generosity.

Throughout December, remember to keep an eye on our social media pages for updates—they're our "shop windows" into the life of our school, and they'll be buzzing with festive highlights in the coming weeks.

Finally, I want to wish all our families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. It is a privilege to be part of such a fantastic school community. Thank you for your ongoing support. *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.



Every child will be bringing home a tea towel featuring EVERY pupil and staff member in our school. This memento is to celebrate 95 years of Laxey School and is given free of charge as a special keepsake. If you'd like an extra tea towel for family presents we will have some on sale at the Christmas Concerts for £5 each.



Isle of Man Awards For Excellence

What an achievement! Alongside our partner schools, Dhoon and Willaston, we were absolutely thrilled to be crowned winners in the Education category at the Isle of Man Awards for Excellence 2024! This award recognises our innovation in AI, commitment to inclusion, collaborative efforts, and excellence in curriculum development. This accolade is a reflection of our incredible community—staff, governors, families, and of course, our amazing pupils. We couldn't have done it without you. Let's celebrate this

fantastic recognition together! 🏆🎉



Festive Hampers Get Your Tickets!

Don't miss the chance to win one of our fabulous Christmas hampers! Tickets will be on sale at all of our Christmas performances and the lucky winners will be drawn after the final show on Monday 16th

December. Good luck! 🎄📷

Professional Photos

This year, we've taken professional photos of every pupil in costume for our shows instead of inviting in an organisation to film. These beautiful keepsakes will be available for purchase at each performance. We hope you love them as much as we do! 📷🌟

Christmas Concerts Dates & Times:

- Reception class - Wednesday 11th December at 2pm
- Years 1 and 2 - Thursday 12th December at 2pm
- Years 3 and 4 - Friday 13th December at 2pm
- Years 5 and 6 - Monday 16th December at 2pm

Lifeboats

LAXEY CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT

Tuesday 10th December

Torchlight Procession

6.00pm Laxey Promenade

followed by service at

Laxey Methodist Church

6.30pm

There will be a collection for the work of the RNLI

Torchlight Procession

Join us for a magical torchlight procession on Tuesday 10th December. We'll meet on Laxey Promenade at 6pm before making our way to the Methodist Church for a service at 6:30pm. Bring a torch and wrap up warm—it's going to be a truly special evening for our community. 🌟🕯️

Christmas Jumpers

Don't forget that children will be allowed to wear Christmas Jumpers to school for the remainder of the term. The usual school trousers, skirts and shoes still apply until the last week of term which will be a complete non-uniform week!

Please remember to keep your ParentPay accounts in credit, as school dinners must be paid in advance, not retrospectively.

Calling Reception children for September 2025! If you know of any families who have a child due to start at Laxey School next September, please would you ask them to contact the school as soon as possible to register their place with us.

