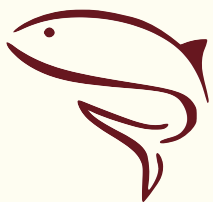


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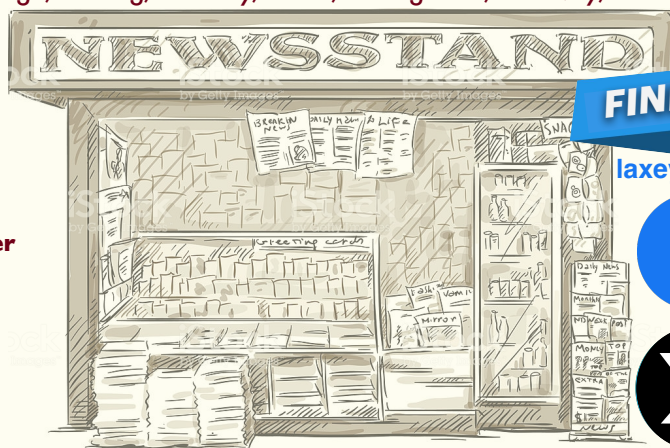
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Dates for Your Diary

- 13.02.26 School Council Cake Sale
Details to follow on Facebook
- 13.02.26 MSPCA Dress as an Animal Day
(Details below)
- 10.02.26 Police Visit to All Classes
(Details below)
- 16.02.26 Half Term (School Closed)
- 03.03.26 Daffodil Judging (1:15pm)
(Details to follow)
- 05.03.26 World Book Day
(Details to follow)
- 25.03.26 Parents' Evening (1)
- 26.03.26 Parents' Evening (2)

This is not an exhaustive list! Keep your eye on our website and social sites for all the latest dates & events!

Message from Mr Kelly

As we approach the end of this half term, I would like to thank our families for the continued support you show Laxey School. The range of opportunities highlighted in this newsletter - from charity events and community visits to celebrations of reading, inclusion, and pupil voice - reflect the values and sense of togetherness that make our school such a special place.

Next week will be our final week in school before we close for the February half-term break, and it promises to be a busy and enjoyable one. Activities such as Dress as an Animal Day, the School Council cake sale, and our work around wellbeing all provide meaningful opportunities for children to learn, contribute, and support others.

I would also like to thank staff, pupils, and families for their part in our recent IQM assessment. We are proud of our inclusive ethos and hopeful of retaining our National Flagship School status.

We look forward to finishing the half term strongly together and wish everyone a restful and well-earned break when it comes. *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.

We are delighted to confirm that Daffodil Judging will take place on Tuesday 3rd March at 1:15pm. Now is the perfect time to start thinking about pot designs and nurturing those daffodils ready for judging! This is always a highlight of the year, and we're pleased to be working once again in collaboration with our friends at Garff Commissioners. More details to follow.

ParentPay
A gentle reminder to keep your account in credit for school lunch payments!

MSPCA Dress As An Animal Day 2026

On Friday 13th February, we'll also be taking part in Dress as an Animal Day to support the MSPCA. This is a completely optional event, so children may choose to dress as an animal, wear non-uniform, or remain in full school uniform — all choices are absolutely fine, and we want everyone to feel comfortable and included.

If your child would like to take part, we are asking for a £1 donation per child, which can be brought in on the day. Costumes can be as simple or as creative as you like — a bit of face paint, paper ears, or an animal-themed outfit all work perfectly 🐱🐶.

The day is about having fun while raising awareness and support for animal welfare, and we're grateful for your continued support of such a worthwhile cause.

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook for the latest news, updates, and photographs of life at Laxey School.

Starting School This September?

If your child is due to start school this September, now is the time to register at Laxey School. Early registration helps us plan for a smooth and positive start. If you know local families with school-age children, please encourage them to contact us!

IQM Assessment

We recently welcomed an IQM assessor to Laxey School and are delighted to share that the feedback was extremely positive. The assessor, who travelled from the UK and has extensive headship experience across schools in the North West, praised the inclusive ethos and strong sense of community across the school.

We are proud to be recognised as a National Flagship School and are hopeful of retaining this status. Thank you to Mrs Dudgeon for coordinating the visit. We look forward to sharing the full report soon.

World Book Day 2026

World Book Day will be celebrated on Thursday 5th March. Children will take part in a range of activities linked to books and reading, and every child will receive a book token to use in bookshops across the Isle of Man.

Parent's Evening - Info

Parents' Evenings will take place on Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th March. Further information, including details of how and when to book appointments online, will be shared in due course. For now, please note these dates in your diary as an early heads-up for these important meetings.

School Council Cake Bake Sale

Our School Council will be hosting a cake sale on Friday 13th February, the last Friday of half term, to raise money for two charities chosen by the children themselves. This is a fantastic example of pupil voice in action and shows real kindness and social responsibility. Thank you in advance for your support — more details will be shared nearer the time.

Police Visit To All Classes

Next Tuesday, we are pleased to welcome our local Community Police Officer into school to work with all classes. During these sessions, children will learn more about the role of the police and how they help keep people safe within our community. Each session will be carefully tailored to the age and stage of the children, covering a range of age-appropriate topics. These may include understanding who to turn to for help, personal safety, making safe choices, and learning about rules, responsibility, and the law in a child-friendly and accessible way. These visits provide a valuable opportunity for children to ask questions, build confidence, and develop a positive understanding of the police as trusted members of the community. The sessions also link closely to our work around personal development, citizenship, and keeping safe, and are always engaging and well received by the children.

