



Christmas in CREDITON

Tomorrow, Saturday 25th

November, is the Christmas lights switch on in CREDITON Town Square.

All of our children in years 5 and 6, along with those in the choir, are invited to sing at 3:20pm in the Square.

If you are able to join us, please meet Mrs T at 3:00pm in front of Ashton's (and don't forget your Christmas Hats!). There will then be

a lantern parade at 4:30pm where the Year 5 children can carry the lanterns they have made (please collect them from

Mrs Main at the town Council Offices at 4:15pm). All children are invited to join the parade and for those who

haven't made a lantern, there is a puppet making workshop in the Council Offices on North Street from 2.45pm, so they can make a hand puppet to bring along to the parade.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to the PTA! I think all of the children (and parents!) who came to the neon disco last night would agree what a fabulous time we all had! The atmosphere was great, particularly as it got darker, and the neon balloons, face paints and glow sticks all looked great under the UV lights! I'd like to say a big thank you to Sophie Davies (chair of the PTA) for organising and arranging everything, to Phil and Rachel Morgan for providing the disco free of charge and to all the parents and staff who helped out during the evening. What a great team!



Sponsored Santa-thon We are holding our Santa-thon on Friday 8th December at 2:30pm. The children are invited to wear Christmas jumpers and Santa hats to school on that day and they will all run a number of circuits on the roads around the school during the afternoon. They will run along Westernlea and then down Tuckers Meadow. The older children will start off first and will continue to run/ walk/ jog around the circuit until we finish around 3:15pm. The youngest children will start off later at around 2:50pm. Parents are welcome to come along and cheer everyone on along the route. Obviously, we would love to raise as much money as possible towards our outdoor classroom (which we already have £9,000 for) so please ask all your family and friends to support the children with this event. Many thanks.

Christmas Lunch You should all receive a letter today with information about the Christmas lunch on Wednesday 13th December. If you would like your child to have Christmas dinner on that day, please ensure you order (by returning the reply slip) and pay for the meal online. All children entitled to free school meals and those children in KS1 and EYFS do not need to pay for their meal but we still need the reply slip to be completed please so that the kitchen can order the right amount of food. Reply slips need to be returned by Friday 1st December.

Headteacher Recruitment Update The governors have decided not to hold the headteacher interviews this term as they only received a low number of applications. They feel very strongly about ensuring that they appoint the right candidate so they have decided to advertise again in the hope that they will receive a greater number of applications which will give them the best opportunity to interview a wide range of candidates. They will be putting the advert out again over Christmas and are planning to hold interviews in February. The advert will be out for longer and there will be more time for prospective candidates to visit the school, so we are hopeful that there will be a greater number of applications in the next round.

Parent Governor Vacancy We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor on our school's governing body. The governing body works together as a group and are responsible for the strategic direction of the school; promoting high standards of educational achievement and ensuring our resources are used to maximum impact. The governors meet monthly and life as a governor is interesting and varied. We are hoping that one of our parents feels prepared to take on this important role and give their time and commitment to

helping us to continue our improvement journey at Landscore. Training and support will be available to help you develop into the role and the term of office for a parent governor is 4 years. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else to become a governor, please collect a nomination form from the school office, complete it and return it, marked for the attention of the Clerk, no later than 12 noon on Monday 27th November. For further information about the role, please get in touch with Judith Harris, Clerk, (clerk@landscore-primary.devon.sch.uk) who will be happy to help.

Congratulations to all of our fabulous swimmers this week. Stanley Trenamen, Bella Blake, Jasper Silk-Rundell and Rohan Grimes have all received awards for completing their swimming assessments successfully this week. Stanley and Bella have both completed their STANley level 5 awards, Jasper has passed his STANley level 3 and Rohan has been awarded the STANley Super Star certificate so he is now ready to start the Goldfish series. What fantastic accolades from all four children who are all doing brilliantly with their swimming and particularly when you consider their young ages. Very well done to you all.



I hope you all have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you tomorrow at the Christmas Lights switch on.

Debbie Main