



# LAVENHAM PRIMARY NEWS

FEBRUARY 2010

**WORLD BOOK DAY** is on **Thursday 4th March** and we would like to invite parents to come into school at the beginning of the day to read books and share stories with the children. Please let your child's class teacher know if you are able to come along.

## Dates for February/March

<b>Wed 10th</b>	Parents Eve and Woodpeckers
<b>Thur 11th</b>	Parents Eve Class 2 to the woods
<b>Fri 12th</b>	Break up
<b>Mon 22nd</b>	Back to school School clubs re-start
<b>Tues 23rd</b>	Karate re-starts
<b>Weds 24th</b>	Football re-starts
<b>Fri 26th</b>	Class 3 trip Street Dance re-starts
<b>Tues 2nd March</b>	Share Afternoon
<b>Thur 4th</b>	Sudbury Festival
<b>Fri 5th</b>	Sudbury Festival
<b>Mon 8th</b>	School Treat!

**After School Clubs** - After half term School clubs will continue on Mondays as follows:

Yrs 3 & 4- Netball

Yrs 1 & 2 - Country Dancing or Art

**Please sign up on the sheets in the Library.**

**Parent Partnership Service** will be offering drop in sessions for parents/carers on Thursday mornings at 72 North Street, Sudbury from 10am until 12 noon (not during half term week). For further information please see the flyer on the parent notice board in the

entrance hall.

### A few reminders -

**Shoes** - Please can we ask that you send your child to school in suitable shoes. If your child wears boots to come to school can we please ask that you provide a change of footwear. Thank you

**Hair** - Can we also remind you that if your child's hair is shoulder length that it needs to be tied back. This is not only for your child's safety but also helps to keep head lice at bay! Thank you

**Share Afternoon** - Our Share Afternoon on the 2nd March is all about Building Learning Power (BLP) Please come along and work alongside the children and find out a bit more about BLP in school.

**Parent Governor** - We have a vacancy for a new Parent Governor ... please watch out for information coming out shortly. We would like to take this opportunity of thanking Mrs Casey for her service on our Governing Body.

**Library Books** - We are having a book audit carried

out in the library at the beginning of March. Can we please ask you to ensure that if your child has a library book at home that it be brought back to school before the end of February. It is very important that the library is complete before the audit starts. Thank you

**A reminder** that representatives from Woodpeckers will be in school on Wednesday 10th February from 6pm should you wish to speak to them about the new after school childcare arrangements.

**Can you help?** We would like to re-start our loan scheme for maths games after half term. If you are able to spare some time to help run this for us can you please speak to Miss Moody.

**Congratulations** to Nikolai Anokhin, Bonita Ramchela-won and Anthony Doggett who achieved their orange belt and to George Norman who achieved his yellow belt and Edward Rust who achieved his green belt in karate.

Don't forget to keep your children's achievements coming in.

**AT THE START OF THE DAY** it is really important for children and staff to have a prompt start. Can we ask for your help with this by requesting that parents/carers leave as soon as the bell goes for the start of the session. We are also aware that a number of children are persistently late and this is very unsettling for both these children and the rest of the class. May we remind you that the Educational Welfare Officer monitors lateness as well as absences.

**PARKING** - I have received several complaints from parents and members of the public about parking inappropriately outside school. I appreciate the difficulty that you have with parking, but can I ask for the safety of all our children, that you park safely. The Police continue with their spot checks both before and after school. Thank you

**IF YOU WOULD PREFER** to receive newsletters by email and you have publisher on your computer, please speak to Mrs Battye.

## FOLS NEWS

**Coming up ... EASTER FAIR and VILLAGE TREASURE HUNT on Saturday 3rd April between 11am and 2pm at the School.**

We would really like donations of Easter pictures, jokes, poems and short stories by the children to go into the treasure hunt programme.

Also, if you would like to advertise your business in the programme please contact a member of the committee.



**Chocoholic Catalogues** are again being circulated. Once you have had a look at the catalogue please return it as soon as you can as we only have a limited number. All orders are welcome no matter how small.



**NEXT MEETING - Tuesday 23rd February in school at 2.30pm.**

**Reminder** - Don't forget when shopping on line, go through [www.TheGivingMachine.co.uk](http://www.TheGivingMachine.co.uk) - You shop, they give to FOLS!

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## PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE – UPDATE

Further to last term's questionnaire and subsequent feedback received at the school coffee morning, we would like to bring you up to date on a number of issues.

**After school childcare** – This was the main issue that was raised and hopefully this will be addressed with the introduction of the new after school childcare arrangements with Woodpeckers starting after Easter, in addition to the proposed Breakfast Club.

**Communication** – A number of parents raised the issue of an additional form of contact, possibly via text. We are therefore currently looking into the cost of providing a parents' text messaging service. We continue to up-date the website with school information, including copies of our newsletters, a copy of which is also displayed on the parent information board outside the office. Day to day notices are also displayed on the electronic board in reception.

**Uniform** – Following our consultation with parents, the Governors have agreed to phase out the grey sweatshirts. We hope that you are finding the choice of suppliers of benefit and would also like to add that we understand Needlepoint Designs have reduced their prices!

A copy of the questionnaire evaluations, for those who didn't attend the coffee morning, are displayed on the parent information point board in the library.