



I have completed my first term at Langham & would like to thank everyone for making me feel so welcome. Making people feel welcome is something we are especially good at here. Many visitors to the school comment on the unique atmosphere. I have really enjoyed getting to know everyone & look forward to working with you all in the New Year. In the meantime I would like to take the opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!



Mr MacDonald



Carol Concert

The staff would like to give a special thanks to the children who came, sung and played at the carol concert last Wednesday at Langham Church. The church was full with family members & friends which all added to the Christmassy feeling of the concert.

Our thanks also to the FOLS for supplying and arranging the refreshments after the concert.

7TH EDITION - 16/12/2011

(Colour copy available on the website)

FoLS Christmas Bazaar

A big thank you to everyone who supported the Christmas bazaar this year. It was lovely to see the hall full of children & adults buying & selling their crafts. Our thanks also to the choir and recorders for entertaining us.

Music Assemblies

We were fortunate to have two music assemblies this half term. The first was a keyboard & Piano assembly where we were entertained by solos & duets from the children. Well done to Chloe (year 2), Saskia, Ferne, Anna, Emma (year 3), Ross, Niamh, Olivia (year 4), Abbie, Amisha (year 5) & William, Sarah (year 6). Our second music assembly was a celebration of music which involved a selection of children from across the school with a variety of instruments. Asher (year 6) Cora, Sophie & Katie (year 4) played their guitars. Ross (year 4), Emma (year 5) & William (year 6) played the piano. The school choir sang for us & Isabel (year 5) and Asher (year 6) played their recorders. Well done and thank you to everyone who took part.

On Wednesday 7th December, Langham Pre-School visited us to watch the dress rehearsal of the Key Stage 1 nativity performance. Well done to the children from Classes 1 & 2 who performed and sang beautifully.



Yesterday afternoon, Abbie, Isabel (year 5), Asher, Ella & Lily-Jade (year 6) played a collection of Christmas tunes and carols on their recorders for the staff & patients of Langham Ward at Colchester General Hospital. They did very well & their hard work & time were appreciated by all.

Class 3 Swimming Lessons

Next term, Class 3 will be going to Leisure World for swimming lessons. This is part of the curriculum and children are required to take part.

There will be 10 lessons during the spring term which will start on Thursday 12th January 2012. A letter will be sent home when we return to school after Christmas.

Before & After School Clubs

We have sent a letter out to each child today (on yellow paper) about the available sport clubs which will be available to children in the spring term. Please note that there is a reply slip to return if your child is interested. A copy of the letter will be available on the website as well.

We hope to offer a range of other extracurricular activities after school in the spring term so watch this space for more information.



Celebration Assemblies

The dates for these Friday assemblies are detailed below. We look forward to seeing the children's parents at these assemblies to share in their achievements and good work. At each assembly we shall be handing out merit certificates to specific children who have completed their merit cards this term. Their teacher will put a note into the home to school diary if your child is receiving a certificate.

- 13th January – Merit Certificates
- 27th January – Key Stage 1 best work & Merit Certificates
- 10th February – Merit Certificates
- 24th February – Key Stage 2 best work & Merit Certificates
- 9th March – Class 1 assembly & Merit Certificates
- 16th March – Class 2 assembly & Merit Certificates
- 23rd March – Class 3 assembly & Merit Certificates
- 30th March – Class 4 assembly & Merit Certificates



Mr MacDonald & all the staff would like to thank the families who have very kindly given us presents and treats. We wish you all a very Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

We hope you enjoy the festive season and look forward to seeing the children ready for the next term on Tuesday 3rd January 2012!



SCHOOLS SPORTS PARTNERSHIP ATHLETICS EVENT

ON 1ST DECEMBER, TILLY-ROSE, EVAN, ARCHIE, KATIE, GUY & CORA TOOK PART IN AN INDOOR ATHLETICS EVENT AT LEISURE WORLD IN COLCHESTER. THEY DID VERY WELL AND WERE RUNNERS UP IN THE SMALL SCHOOLS CATEGORY! WELL DONE TO YOU ALL.

Term Dates 2012

SPRING TERM 2012: Tuesday 3 January – Friday 30 March
SPRING HALF TERM: Monday 13 February – Friday 17 February
EASTER HOLIDAYS: Monday 2 April – Friday 13 April

SUMMER TERM 2012: Monday 16 April – Friday 20 July
SUMMER HALF TERM: Monday 4 June – Friday 8 June
SUMMER HOLIDAYS: Tuesday 24 July – Monday 3 September



Monday 20 February 2012

NON-PUPIL DAYS
Monday 11 June 2012

Monday 23 July 2012