



Les Landes Newsletter

25th November, 2019



Dear Parents,

Apologies in advance, there is lots of information today and the next four weeks are very busy.

Children in Need

Thank you for supporting this annual fundraiser - we raised £232.94!

Christmas Fayre - Friday 6th December 2-4pm.

- We still need jam jar size jars with lids.
- We would like to start collecting for the bottle stall - all bottles welcome (wine, squash, ketchup, shampoo etc). We will keep a tally and offer a prize to the class who collects the most.
- We will add a sign up sheet to the main entrance for help on the afternoon, we would like to have a shift system so that parents can enjoy the afternoon with their children too.
- If you have taken some raffle tickets to sell, we would like to encourage you to bring any unsold ones back asap so that we can redistribute. We need to ensure we have enough to sell in the playground and on the day.



Carol Service - Monday 16th December 6.30pm. This is open to families from Y1 to Y6 and is held at St Ouen's Parish Church. All children are expected to attend in school uniform and the service usually lasts one hour.

A plea for decorations

Next week, we will be decorating the school for Christmas. Some of our decorations have seen better days, particularly the garland type ones which go round the pillars. If you are upgrading yours, chances are they would be great for us! Any unwanted decorations are welcome and any surplus we could share at the Christmas Fair.

SIMS Parent App

In the next phase of our records management overhaul, we are in the process of updating how we collect your personal data. An email with instructions and a link will be sent early next week. It will mean that you can electronically update and manage contact details and other personal data.

Triple P Parenting Discussion Groups

We have not had any interest shown in seminars held at school. If you would like to access these, please let Mrs Charlesworth know as we can access sessions arranged at other schools. We will re-consider running these later in the year.

Guided Reading Books

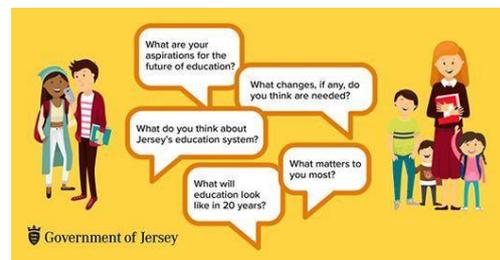
This week we have invested £2000 in replenishing sets of books. We need six books for a guided reading session and some sets are down to two or three because they have not been returned to school. We will continue to charge £5 for lost books.

Lates

Thank you for ensuring your child arrives at school on time. Since I shared this concern and the expectation for punctuality in September, there has been a marked improvement and fewer children arriving after 8.50am when the register closes. I would also like to remind you that if your child is absent, please contact the school before 9am so that we can account for the absence in the register.

Big Education Conversation

The Education Minister has launched a public consultation into the future of education and would like to consult with children, staff and parents. We have arranged for the project team to be in the dome on **Tuesday 10th December** at 2.30pm so that parents can contribute via a pop-in. They will also be available at 3pm. Details can be found at www.gov.je/bigeducationconversation



St Ouen's Church

St Ouen's Church would like to invite children to take part in their family nativity service on Christmas Eve at 4pm. If you are interested in this, please contact Emily Robins Emily.robins@stouenschurchjersey.org 07797 785009

Pupil Survey

This week we have consulted with the children about their views about school. We do this in lots of ways, but this was an anonymous survey online. We gave the children the option of 'most of the time' as well as 'yes' because we consider that to be a positive response too. We also gave them 'a bit' as an option as well as 'no'. The children from Y2-Y6 completed it and results reflected other consultations results. These findings will be added to the school's self-evaluation document which evidences the work we do and the impact it has on the children. The results are on our website: <https://www.leslandes.sch.je/attachments/download.asp?file=356&type=pdf>

Squeebles

This app is excellent for practising spelling. You can record the words into the app each week so that the children click to hear the word read to them and then they spell them using the keyboard. We have had some great feedback from families who are using it and some increased spelling results too. The app's data processing has been approved by the Education Department.



INSET

Our last inset of the academic year will be the day after the Easter holidays, 20th April. There are no other INSET days after that until September 2020. These dates are all on gov.je

Netball success

Congratulations to our 'A Team' netballers, who have finished second in their league this term. Their matches included wins against Grouville, St Luke and d'Auvergne. Continued thanks to Mrs Parker and the parents and grandparents who support the training and the matches.

Coppers for Kafunjo

We are collecting copper coins for one of our House Charities, Kafunjo Community Project. These can be left in the bucket in the dome.

Dates - <https://www.leslandes.sch.je/calendar/?calid=1&pid=3&viewid=1>

Mrs Charlesworth