

Ewloe Green Primary School Newsletter

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Head Teacher's News



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Dear parents and carers,

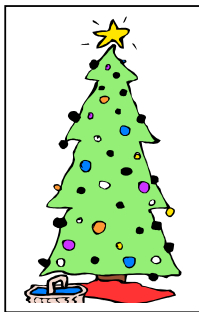
Well here we are again... Christmas is upon us and it only seems five minutes since I was writing for our last Christmas newsletter! As always it has been a very busy year and this autumn has been brimming with activities, events and preparations for our school Christmas celebrations. The nursery, Reception and year one and two children took part in their nativity performances at the church of the Holy Spirit and the school choir performed carols with the Northop Silver Band and sang to the ladies of the Mothers Union. We certainly have a lot of confident and talented children here at Ewloe Green Primary School!

As always there are so many people to say "thank you" to. Thank you to the children for their hard work and energy that keeps us all on our toes, to the teaching and non teaching staff who work very hard to provide the children

with lots of exciting and challenging learning opportunities both in and outside the school day, to the Governing Body for their ongoing interest and support, to our volunteer helpers who give so freely of their time and talents, to our community, church members, student teachers, our energetic 'Friends of Ewloe Green' for their numerous fund raising activities and significant financial contributions to school which have been so very much appreciated and of course to you, our parents who support us in so many ways.

Our congratulations to Miss Pierce, Miss Davies and Mrs Durose, who have graduated from leadership courses this year. Have a wonderful Christmas and my very best wishes for the New Year.

Mrs Dyas



Basic Skills Award

Ewloe Green School has won a Basic Skills Award. We are also the 1st school in North Wales to win this award. As you can imagine we are very proud of our school and the achievements of our pupils.

As a result of this, important visitors came to present the award. Year 6 pupils helped with a tour of the school and also answered all questions.

Part of the tour involved a visit to the Year 6 classrooms where they joined in with the V.C.O.P song, which means Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers and Punctuation. Then we took them around school to different classrooms and after that we took them outside to see the musical instruments.

They had a good time and there were lots of photo's taken!



TROUBLE AT EWLOE GREEN

As some of you might know there has been a number of vandalism cases happening here at Ewloe Green.

First of all there has been more than one occasion where glass bottles have been smashed on the schools goal posts preventing us from playing on the field and using it during our P.E sessions. On top of this some paint has been thrown onto our walls by the outdoor classroom, which has destroyed the wall. In addition to that offensive phrases have been scraped onto the seats in the outdoor classroom and bark has been torn from our trees

Year 6 has not hesitated to respond by writing a letter to our local M.P (Mr. Mark Tami) who has replied swiftly to our complaint. His reaction to our letters resulted in him writing to the chief executive of Flintshire County Council. He has told us he will give us further information on the problem in question.

We've painted the seating area in the outdoor classroom in red to hide the foul language.

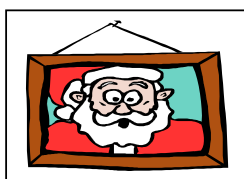
We are hoping the problem will be solved very soon.

Choir News

The school choir has just performed at the local church. The school choir sang some well-known Christmas carols along with their favorite carol Candle Of The Lord. They performed with the Northop Silver Band who accompanied the choir while singing Sleigh Ride, Oh Holy Night, Silent Night and Away In A Manger. One member quoted "it was very exciting I really enjoyed it".



The night was very enjoyable and all of the choir members should be very proud of themselves for trying their best. Choir practice for the choir is in the hall on Tuesdays from 3:10 till 4:00 with Mrs.Dyas.



News Team

This year the Year 6 children from Class 14 have taken responsibility for producing our newsletter. They are:

- George Kelly
- Cameron Mitchell
- Georgia Palin
- Elena Jones
- Holly Simm
- Jessica Stembridge
- Ellie Preston
- Luke McLoughlin
- Kris Hall-Ellis
- George Smith
- Daniel Winterbottom
- Jacob Clark
- Sian Holt
- Caitlin Mortlock
- Jack Southall
- Adam Kerrod
- Raphaelle Soffe
- James Hughes

Year 2 and other schools at the Jambori



Year 2 and other schools started to learn Jambori songs and on the 8th of October the year 2 children went to the Elfed to jam and sing together and to have a laugh. The Year 2's had a great time and loved it!

SPORTS REPORTS

FOOTBALL MATCHES SO FAR

The members of the school football team are Lewis Thornton, Luke Mcloughlin, Ryan Coney, Adam Kerrod, Jack Aitkin, George Price, Jake Jones, Corey Jones, George Kelly, Liam Smith, Cameron Jones and in the second squad George Smith, Joe Evans, Cameron Mitchell, Jay Jones, Charlie Bradley, Cameron Jones, Lewis Thornton and Liam Smith. Our first fixture was against Southdown in which one team won 4-1 and the other team won 2-0. After our second match we had a cup match against Golftyn and it was raining an awful lot. It went into Extra time before going into golden goal, which is 5 extra minutes 1 way. In the end it went into penalties, which we lost 6-5.

The following day we played away at Penyffordd in torrential rain which we drew 1-1. We had a weeks rest because Southdown couldn't fit the match in their time so they forfeited. After that we played at home against Mountain Lane, which we lost 1-0 and Lewis Thornton fell in the goalmouth, which was a very deep puddle!!!!!!!!!!!!!! We have a couple more matches

to play since they were postponed and we have many tournaments to participate in.



By Adam Kerrod and Jack Aitken

Junior swimming lessons

Ewloe Green juniors have been going swimming since the beginning of September, at Connahs Quay swimming baths with their year group; at Connahs quay there are two pools (a shallow pool and a 25metre pool). The deep pool is split into two training groups and another group in the shallow pool. The children who are better swimmers go into the deep end, the children who can swim but need practice go in the shallow area, the children who can not swim very well go in the shallow pool. Lots of children who couldn't swim very well before lessons can possibly swim a lot better now.

This Season's Netball

This year so far the netball team has played 3 matches against Mountain Lane, Kinnerton School and Pen-y-Fford. Against Mountain Lane we lost 9-4 but we think we did really well because it was our first match. Then we played Kinnerton School and Pen-y-Fford, and drew both games. All the netball team thought we did so well and so were the people who trained us {Miss Dawson and Miss Montgomery}. Our netball practice is normally on a Wednesday after school, but we sometimes get the posts out to practise, if we have a match coming up. We think netball is great fun!!!!

By Chloe Cotton



Indoor Athletics

Our school participated in the indoor athletics on the 10/11/09 and on the 19/11/09. They did exceptionally well. Our team came second out of eight and got a little trophy. There were many events, which included sitting throwing, standing long jump, standing hop, step and jump, javelin and vertical jump for the field events and there was also the track events the 1 by 1, the 2 by 1, the 2 by 2, the 3 by 3 and the 4 by 1 relays it was very hard but everyone tried their best and so we are proud of them.

On 28/11/09 they competed again. It was the same events but this was to decide who would go to the finals. This time they did better. But sadly they came second by half a point.



Other News

The Children's University

This year Ewloe Green School has been offered to take part in the Children's University. When children take part in after school clubs, which include choir, football, netball, rugby, sewing and many more, they get points for every session they attend to. This helps children of all ages to succeed in new abilities. The more points you get the higher the certificate, you could get a bronze, silver or a gold award. Hopefully by the end of the year children will get a certificate and feel proud of it.

Nativities

This year, nursery and reception children will be performing their Christmas Nativity Production, which is called Christmas with the Aliens, at The Church of the Holy Spirit on Thursday 17th December. This is the Nativity Story with a twist and I am sure it will put a smile onto your face!

It starts at 9 o'clock in the morning.



Dates for Next Term

Monday 4th January
 Thursday 14th January
 Thursday 21st January
 Wednesday 27th January
 Monday 1st February
 Mon 1st - Wed 3rd February
 Wed 3rd - Fri 5th February
 Tuesday 2nd February
 Wednesday 3rd February
 Thursday 11th February
 Friday 12th February

Monday 22nd February
 Monday 1st March
 Wednesday 3rd March
 Friday 12th March
 W/b Monday 15th March

Tuesday 16th March
 Friday 26th March

Children back in school
 Infant Disco (3:20 - 4:20)
 Junior Disco (3:20 - 4:45)
 Individual Photographs
 Y6 Lego Design Technology TBC
 Class 11 at Nant BH
 Class 12 at Nant BH
 Y3 Celt Workshop
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 Y2 at EON, Connah's Quay
 End of Half-Term

Start of Half-Term
 St. David's Day Celebrations
 Pandemonium Theatre - KS1 Cry Wolf; KS2 Cool Britan
 INSET (CHILDREN NOT IN SCHOOL)
 Book Week

Parent's Evening, 3:15 - 8:00
 Non-Uniform Day; End of Term

