

Long Lawford Primary School

'Together we are an ACE School.'

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Long Lawford News...

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Storytelling Workshop - During the week (last Monday January 18th 2010) we held a very successful workshop for parents on developing children's language skills with Katrice Horsley. Katrice is a professional storyteller with a national reputation for being an authority on the development of children's language. Katrice also worked with our Year 1 and 2 classes and will continue to do so in the next few weeks. The culmination of Katrice's work with the school and our project to develop children's language skills will a performance on **Thursday 4th February 2010**. More details on this shortly.

Head teacher's group - I have recently been asked to be part of a head teacher's discussion group for the Local Authority, entitled 'Raising the bar.' The group is made up of head teachers from across the county and has the aim of discussing and formulating good primary education practice. The group will meet throughout the year and visit other schools in the region and beyond before presenting its findings at a regional conference next year.

Phonics workshop - On **Wednesday 24th February 2010** there will be a workshop for Foundation Stage (nursery and reception) parents on phonics. The workshop will run from **4:30—6pm** and parents are encouraged to bring children along to what should be a fun hands on session.

Free School Meals - If you feel your child may be entitled to a free school meal please ask at the school office. The school office are happy to deal with any queries and will help with the application.

Inhalers - I would urge parents and guardians that if your child needs an inhaler in school please speak to us and in particular your child's class teacher. I would also ask that any details are put in writing. All inhalers **MUST** be clearly labelled with the child's name. Please note we are not permitted to share inhalers. Legally all inhalers (as with any prescribed medicines) must be for the named person only.

Parent / teacher meetings - On **Wednesday 10th February 3:15 to 5pm** and **Thursday 11th February 6 to 8pm** we are holding parent / teacher meetings. You will shortly be receiving a letter giving you the opportunity to make an appointment to meet with your child's teacher. I would encourage all parents and guardians to take this opportunity. Such meetings are a really important way of informing you of your child's progress. Coming almost half way through the school year they also give the opportunity to see what needs to be done to ensure your child has a good year. Children's books will be available to view and all appointments will once again take place in the school hall. As you will appreciate teachers need to see a number of parents and guardians over the 2 evenings, so unless there is a good reason not to I would ask that separated or divorced parents come to the same meeting.

NO SMOKING - Please remember that all school premises are non -smoking zones this includes the grounds as well as the buildings.

Stars of the week

Star Workers: Alfie Judge, Abigail Green, Scott Plummer, Rose James, William Taylor, Charlie Grandison, Miah Barnwell and Amelia Asbury.

Star People: Harry Stonely, May Ting, Cameron Bottrill, Zak Arrow, Joshua Dunkley, Taran Gurskyj, Scott Abrahams and Patricia Hubar.

WELL DONE to them all!