



Laurance Haines
School

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HEADLINES

ENJOY,

CARE, AIM HIGH AND SUCCEED

Fundraising and charity has very much been a theme over the last fortnight at Laurance Haines. I am always mindful when setting charity days as I do not want to overload families with too many events to contribute to; however I am always blown away with the charitable nature of our school community. Thank you for supporting such worthy causes. Following our support of the Royal British Legion Remembrance Day Appeal, Year 4 decided to make pencil holder poppies during their lesson time. These were excellent quality and the children managed to raise £25.50, which went to the poppy appeal.

Last Friday was a very spotty affair as everyone at Laurance Haines dressed up to take part in this year's Children in Need fundraising event. My sincere thanks go to Ms Delginova who worked tirelessly to put on a range of events over the last couple of weeks. Thank you to the staff that stayed to host the hugely popular movie nights, as well as to the parents, children and staff who baked some delicious cakes for the cake sale. Lastly, thank you to the staff who organised and cooked the staff curry lunch, which was delicious! All of these events have meant that Laurance Haines School has raised a phenomenal £1488 for Children in Need!

Thank you to Louisa Burns, Sharon Smith and the Laurance Haines Parent Teacher Association (PTA) for their hard work in hosting the Year 5/6 disco raising £245.70 which will go to support the library refurbishment. I am sure that you are all looking forward to the LHS PTA Christmas Fair on Saturday 3rd December 12:00 – 3:00. Don't forget the mufti day on Tuesday next week where we are asking for donations for the fair. I look forward to seeing you there!

James Roach
Headteacher @HeadLHS



Art Competition

At the end of the summer term some of our children entered Croxley Business Park's 'My Dream Place to Work' art competition. We are delighted to let you know that Kevin in Cedar class has been chosen by the judges as the overall winner! Kevin has won a gift voucher for £50 and the school will receive a cheque for £200. Well done Kevin!

We are also pleased to tell you know that the Business Park have decided to feature all of our children's entries on a section of hoarding that is to surround the site of their latest development. So congratulations are also due to Liaba, Iqra and Cameron in Year 2, Molly in Year 3 and Angelina in Year 5. We are looking forward to visiting the Business Park with the winners so that they can see their artwork in place.

Nursery Stay & Play

The Nursery parents spent some time with their children in Nursery last week; Abishka said, "I loved mummy coming because she is my best friend". Inu said, "It made me feel funny because I like mummy and I get a tickly feeling in my tummy". Khloe said, "I liked daddy staying, it made me feel better". Khadijah said, "I loved mummy staying and I want her to stay forever".

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 29 November
Mufti Day for Christmas Fair.
Y5 Challenge Cup.
Y3/4 Speedstacking.
Wednesday 30 November
Closing date for photo order.
Friday 2 December
Flu immunisations Years 1, 2 & 3
Christmas Deco afternoon.
Saturday 3 December
Christmas Fair 12-3 p.m.
Friday 9 December
Milk payments due by today.
Monday 12 December
Pear Class Pantomime.
Wednesday 14 December
Christmas lunch.
Thursday 15 December
Plum Class Pantomime.
Friday 16 December
Carol Service, St. Michael's Church
9.30 a.m.
Monday 19 December
Year 5 Chocolate log making.
Tuesday 20 December
Nursery Christmas party 9.00-1.00—
all children.
Wednesday 21 December
End of term. School finishes at 2 p.m.
No after school clubs.

Mufti day—29 November

Nursery – Bottles
Reception – Chocolate
Year 1 – Bottles
Year 2 – Cakes
Year 3 – Chocolate
Year 4 – Chocolate
Year 5 – Bottles
Year 6 – Chocolate

Bottles – e.g. soft drinks, cordials, bubble bath, extra virgin olive oil, balsamic vinegar etc.

Chocolate – Boxes or bars.



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Everbridge School Closure Notification System

In the event of severe weather, a public emergency or unforeseen circumstances, it may be necessary for the school to close.

In order to ensure you are informed as quickly as possible of anything that may have an impact on a normal school day, a notification system has been put in place to enable messages from schools to be sent immediately via text message, email and a voice message (if required).

Please take five minutes to register your details for any Hertfordshire school your child attends so that you can receive immediate information and updates.

To sign up, please visit member.everbridge.net/index/892807736725489 and click on the "sign up" button located at the top right hand side of the page on the grey strip, and from there follow the instructions. It should take no more than five minutes to register and you can edit your information at any time should you change your mobile number or email address.

You can have two devices added for each communication type if you wish to – this means that in addition to adding your own mobile number and email address, you can include the mobile number and email address of a partner or a grandparent in your registration process. They too would then receive any messages in relation to the school's closure. Alternatively, interested parties could register themselves separately.

If you have children at more than one school you can register for those schools too in a single registration by selecting all schools your children attend.



Movie Night

On Monday 21st November, it was Year 5 and 6's movie night. We watched 'Goosebumps'. It wasn't that scary, there were some really funny parts and sad parts. Me, my friends and teachers enjoyed the movie.

Ajara – Year 6.

Photo Orders need to be returned to school by the end of the day on Wednesday 30 November. If you miss this deadline you will need to send your order to Tempest by post.

Parents of Children in Years 1, 2 and 3—Important information about Flu Immunisations

Due to the low uptake this year School Health has asked us to contact you to let you know that it is not too late to request an immunisation for your child. The letter and consent form were emailed again on Tuesday, and copies are also available from the office.

Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable friends and family by preventing the spread of flu.

The vaccination is free and recommended for young children, and will be given by a quick and simple spray up the nose.

An alternative immunization without gelatine is available from GPs if required.



Reception Children Health Screening

The screening of all reception children (height, weight, vision and hearing screen) will take place in April 2017. Please read the information leaflet that has been sent to you by email. If you have any queries please contact the School Nurse whose details are in the leaflet.

Milk

Spring Term 2017

Please note that the introduction of free school meals to all KS1 children does not include free milk. The following arrangements apply:



Milk is free for all children in Nursery, and those in Reception who were born after 21st December 2011. Milk is also free for children in KS2 who receive free school meals.

For all other children you will need to pay if you wish for them to have milk. The cost of milk for the spring term is: £12.32. This cost is subsidised by the EU.

Payment must be made online via School Gateway by Friday 9th December 2016.

Basketball Tournament

When we got to Queens' School we ate our lunch in the detention-room (we didn't do anything bad!!). A large part of us was very scared! As we entered the hall we were split into two teams, A and B. Team A went undefeated for four games in a row until we lost in the semi-finals to Nascot Wood. Then the minibus arrived with Mrs Furey at the wheel. We were very proud of ourselves. Josele and Marvyn - Year 6.



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