

Dates for your Diary

9th November Whole school to Buccleuch Centre to see 'The Borrowers' 10 am. 14th November Pupil Council meeting 2pm 15th November Parents Night forms to be returned for appointments 16th November Hamper squares out to families 21st November P7 Science Challenge at Academy 21st November Langholm Castle archaeological survey P7 pupils 27th November Woodland Trust tree planting at Gorrenberry Estate P7 pupils 28th November Parents Night 30th November St Andrew's Holiday 3rd December Pupils shared learning week <u>3rd December</u> Robin Hood – whole school pantomime 4th December PTA Xmas Disco 10&11th December Big Burns Supper P6 pupils 12th December P1 & P7 Dental check in school 14th December Hamper wrapping 17th December Senior pupils dress rehearsal in church - Xmas concert 17th December Nativity dress rehearsal 1.45 17th December Infant Nativity in academy Hall 6.30 pm 18th December Infant Nativity -Academy Hall 1.45pm 19th December Senior Xmas Concert in church 7pm 19th December P4 & 5 Xmas Party 10.45 19th December P1 Xmas Party 20th December Hamper Draw 9.30 am 20th December P2 & 3 Xmas Party 11 am 20th December P6 & 7 party 1.30 pm 21st December Nursery Xmas Party 9.30 am 21st December Xmas Church Service 9.30 am – all families welcome.

LANGHOLM PRIMARY NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

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LANGHOLM FOOTBALLERS IN THRILLING FINAL

We entered 2 teams for the Annandale and Eskdale 5-a-side Tournament which was held in Carlisle on Saturday 3rd November. 18 teams participated divided into 4 sections. Both teams finished as runnersup in their sections Langholm A losing only to Hecklegirth and Langholm B to former winners Newington A. Our B team lost by 3 goals to 2 in the quarter finals against Gretna A, in a close encounter, with the winning goal scored during the final minute. Langholm A beat Newington A by 3 goals to 2 and Elmvale, also by 3 goals to 2 in the guarter and semi-finals. We met Hecklegirth once again in the final. The section game had been a hard, bruising tie with Hecklegirth fielding a big, strong team of P7's and the final was no different.

This was the 6th game for both sides. Sadly the boys lost narrowly by 3 goals to 2 to finish as runners up, a combination of bad luck and some questionable refereeing depriving them of at least a draw. Coach Mills commented 'I am thoroughly delighted with our performance. The physicality of the Gretna and Annan teams meant that it was always going to be difficult for our younger boys but they rose to the challenge with grit and determination against, at times, roughhouse tactics. Every player gave of their best and made the score sheet. Goalkeepers Callum Jeffrey and Sam Cook were outstanding. Aidan Wilson was Player of the Tournament. P5 boys Ben Winter, Ryan Johnstone, Callum Jeffrey and Daniel Grieve deserve a special mention for bravery and resilience."



Langholm A Langholm B Ruairi Hotson (capt) Jude Zietara (capt) Philip Porter Sam Cook Daniel Grieve Thomas Scott Aidan Wilson Sam Cottrill Ben Winter Callum Jeffrey Rvan Johnstone Jav Gordon Ciaran Jackson Nathaniel Graham - goalie sub





RAG BAG

Please continue to support the school by donating your old clothes and shoes. Last month we raised £104. 00 which is a very welcome addition to school funds.

Infant Xmas Enterprise Pupils will be selling class teatowels as part of their fund-raising initiative. Details of prices and availability will be released soon.

TASTY TUCK SHOP

The Pupil Council Tasty Tuck Shop will open for business on Thursday the 8th and of 9th November at morning break and from 1.00 till 1.15 at lunchtime. We hope to run this shop for P4-7's on Thursdays and P1 – 3's on Fridays.

Snacks cost 60p per bag. The Pupil Council are experimenting with times and supplies at this stage so please be patient while they establish their selling expertise. Initially they have ordered a wide range of snacks but future supplies will depend on customer preference. Pupils will be able to buy: **Apricot Pieces Assorted Raisins Chocolate Raisins** Sunflower, Pumpkin and Raisins Cranberries, Apricots and Raisins **Yoghurt Raisins** Tex Mex **Yoghurt Raisins** Banana Chips **Garlic Sticks** Spicy Noodles Plain Popcorn

School Clubs We are running a wide and extensive range of clubs as part of our commitment to improving the experiences of our pupils outside of the school day. If your child has applied to join a club please assume that their place has been granted. We will contact you if the club is full and his/her name will be added to a waiting list.

XMAS HAMPERS The PTA would like to remind parents to generously donate towards this very successful fundraising event. The PTA will once again be paying for the school pantomime, Robin



<u>SUPER 6'S ORIENTEERING</u>

Congratulations to our pupils who made excellent times in last month's orienteering challenge. Thirty eight pupils took part in this event.

Ryan Johnstone5th placeBen Winter7th placeDarren Hogg8th placeDaniel Grieve, Matthew Grieve,Callum Jeffrey, Kelsey Brannan andCerys Gough were also well placed.



MUSIC AT LANGHOLM PRIMARY

We are eager to take every opportunity offered to allow our pupils to experience the expressive arts and we are very fortunate to have the wonderful Mrs Todd as our music specialist.

<u>Primary 7</u> have just recorded their CD of 'Silent Night' in German and in English for the Gretna Xmas X Factor Competition with Ruairi Hotson singing a beautiful solo part.



<u>Primary 6</u> will be participating in the Biggest Burn's Supper in the World in Dumfries on the 25th January. They will shortly be enjoying workshops in singing, music, dance and costume making in preparation for the big event.

<u>Primary 5</u> are currently working with the Feis Rois initiative every Tuesday morning to appreciate and take part in traditional Scottish music making.

<u>Primary 4</u> will represent the school in the choir section of the Dumfries and District Music Festival in early March 2013.

> Mrs Carol Mills (Acting Head Teacher)





Hood on the 3rd of December.