

Naidheachdan Lacasdail

Laxdale News

6 February 2026



P6/7 ROWING EVENT

On Tuesday 27 January, many of our P6/7 pupils attended the Rowing Event at the Sports Centre. For some pupils, this was their first experience of rowing and taking part in such an event. Pupils demonstrated our school values of teamwork and kindness as they worked together and encouraged one another. Congratulations to them all for winning an impressive 13/15 rounds on the night.



WOW AT LAXDALE

A big well done to all those who have walked, cycled, scootered, parked and strode to school again this week! We are delighted that pupils are continuing to make such an effort to travel in a healthier, more sustainable way.

A special shout out to Ruairidh Fox, pictured below, for walking two miles to and from school, clocking up over 20,000 steps in one day! A huge effort and a great example. It is great to hear of examples like this. Well done Ruairidh! 😊



Hi-vis waistcoats have been ordered and will be issued to pupils as soon as they arrive.

Parents/carers are invited to pay £1 towards the cost of the waistcoats. A big thank you to the Parent Council for agreeing to cover the rest of the costs. **Safety is key with this initiative and we would encourage all parents/carers to regularly remind their child/ren about safety before leaving for school. Be safe, be seen!**



This week our WOW Ambassadors issued badges to pupils who have logged **at least one active journey per week** since the launch of our initiative.

January badge pictured above. Pupils are encouraged to wear their badges on their school sweatshirts every day.

The introduction of this new project has highlighted some travel to school issues in relation to road and pupil safety. Can we please ask parents/carers to agree a safe plan with their child/ren before they set off each morning. We want to promote active, sustainable and safe travel options to school. Safety of our pupils is paramount. We appreciate your support with this.

PARENT APPOINTMENTS

On Monday 9 February and Tuesday 10 February, parent appointments will be held in our gym hall. All parents have been issued with appointments. Please check school bags for appointment slips. Please contact the school if the time issued is not suitable and we will rearrange.

The Parent Council will be running a school uniform stall in the cafeteria on both evenings. Uniform will be available to purchase at discounted prices for these two days only. This may be a good chance for families to stock up. See poster at end of newsletter



P7 FUNDRAISER BINGO NIGHT

On Thursday 5 February, the gym hall was full with eager Bingo players making our P7 Fundraiser a very successful night!



Special thanks to Calum, our brilliant Bingo Caller, for giving up his time to support the school and to Mrs Campbell and Mrs Macleod for all their work to make sure the event ran smoothly.

Another big thank you to the P7 parent group and friends of Laxdale School for donating great prizes and raffle items.

A fantastic total of £1431.10 was raised which will go towards the P7 Trip in April and extra treats for our P7s in their final term.



GIRLS' FOOTBALL LUNCH CLUB

For the last three Wednesdays, Miss Afrin has run a Football Club for girls at lunch time. This has been well attended with the girls developing skills they can use in football games and festivals outwith school. This club will run for one more week.



FOOTBALL TRAINING LUNCH CLUB

In preparation for the upcoming Charlie Nicolson Football Competition on Friday 27 February, Mr Campbell has been running lunch time training sessions on Thursdays. The Charlie Nicolson competition is always a popular and much eagerly awaited event in the P6/7 calendar and the boys have been very enthusiastic in their approach to training.



CAFETERIA AND MENUS

A polite reminder to all parents to please complete the online menu for their child/ren before the 9pm deadline each Wednesday evening. If your child is having a packed lunch, it is helpful to indicate that option on the online menu. When menus are not complete, extra food has to be cooked which sometimes results in children having to wait. Many thanks to those who are already completing the menus routinely. We appreciate your cooperation with this.



UNIFORM PRICES

Prices only available at
Parent appointments!

Sweatshirt **NOW: £12.50**

Will be: £15.15



Pullover **NOW: £20**

Will be: £24.50 - £34.20*



Knitted Cardigan **NOW: £21**

Will be: £25.05 - £35.40*

Poloshirt **NOW: £11**

Will be: £11.60



*Price varies with size

DATES FOR TERM 3

Mon 9 and Tues 10 February	Parent Appointments
Fri 13 Feb, Mon 16 Feb, Tue 17 Feb	School closed for February Weekend
Wednesday 18 February	School closed to pupils (In-Service Training for Staff)
Thursday 26 February	GL6-7 Intergenerational Visit to Laxdale Hall
Tuesday 3 March	International Wheelchair Day
Friday 13 March	Celebration Assembly - GL3 and GL4-5
Thursday 26 March	GM1-3 Intergenerational Visit to Laxdale Hall
Friday 27 March	School closes for Easter



I wish all pupils, staff and families a lovely weekend.

Mrs J Macleod, Acting Head of School