


Lunch Menu

Monday	Monster minestrone	Pear, lemon and almond pudding
Wednesday	Class 1's you choose meal Veggie lasagne with carrot sticks	Chocolate cake with warm sauce
Friday	'Sausage & onion rolls with harvest mash peas and gravy.	Apple pie flapjacks

Winter Fair Tomorrow 2-5pm



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 8th	9.15 Meeting in the hall re 
Weds 9th	9.30 Prospective parents to see school 3.15 Yoga club 7.00 OPEN FORUM

Mon 14th 5pm Lantern Parade
Tues 15th 3.15 School Breaks Up

January

Mon 4th Staff Day
Tues 5th School Back



WINTER

Boys and their light sabres... this seems to have been the main issue at school for the past couple of weeks...what to do about boys and their light sabres. We obviously don't want children getting hurt, but we don't want to go down the route of an outright ban either – substitutes are always found, and anyway we feel it's vital that boys can act like boys without feeling that they are bad or wrong. Our first decision, to make a deal with the boys and hand the responsibility for safe play over to them, worked fantastically well for a while, especially with the older ones helping the youngest to stick to the deal.

This responsibility has become a bit of a burden for the older boys over the last couple of days however, and we have decided to have a break from light sabre play for a while. So at assembly yesterday we acknowledged the successful efforts of a lot of the boys in the playground, and discussed what we had learned from it (like 'not hurting people when you're playing fighting games'). We then observed that we had noticed that some people were running out of steam and seemed to be a bit worn out by the effort involved, so maybe now was the time to have a break. There was a feeling of 'fair enough' from the children, and an acceptance of a 'let's wait and see' approach to playing again.

This seems to me to be a great example of the way things are worked out at Lewes New School: the trust in the children; the clear boundaries; and the flexibility to manage situations appropriately as they change. Added to that of course is the learning we take from the children's learning, and finding out what they are capable of. If any parents would like to know the deal that worked so well, for use at home or after-school play time, these are the magic words: 'If you want to play with light sabres, it is your responsibility to make sure that nobody gets hurt. That's the deal.' Then add trust!

Stephanie PET/TET co-ordinator

The Winter Fair...

Please, please, please remember to arrive with cakes and biscuits to sell in the café or package for people to take home!

Does anyone have **white fairy lights** or **foliage** that we can twist round beams, wreaths and doorways (ivy and holly in particular)?

**Can you contribute glass jars for tea lights?
Or provide books for our stall?**

And, as always, we will really need help clearing up for an hour at the end of our Fair.

Most of all please bring your spirit, warmth and lots of change!

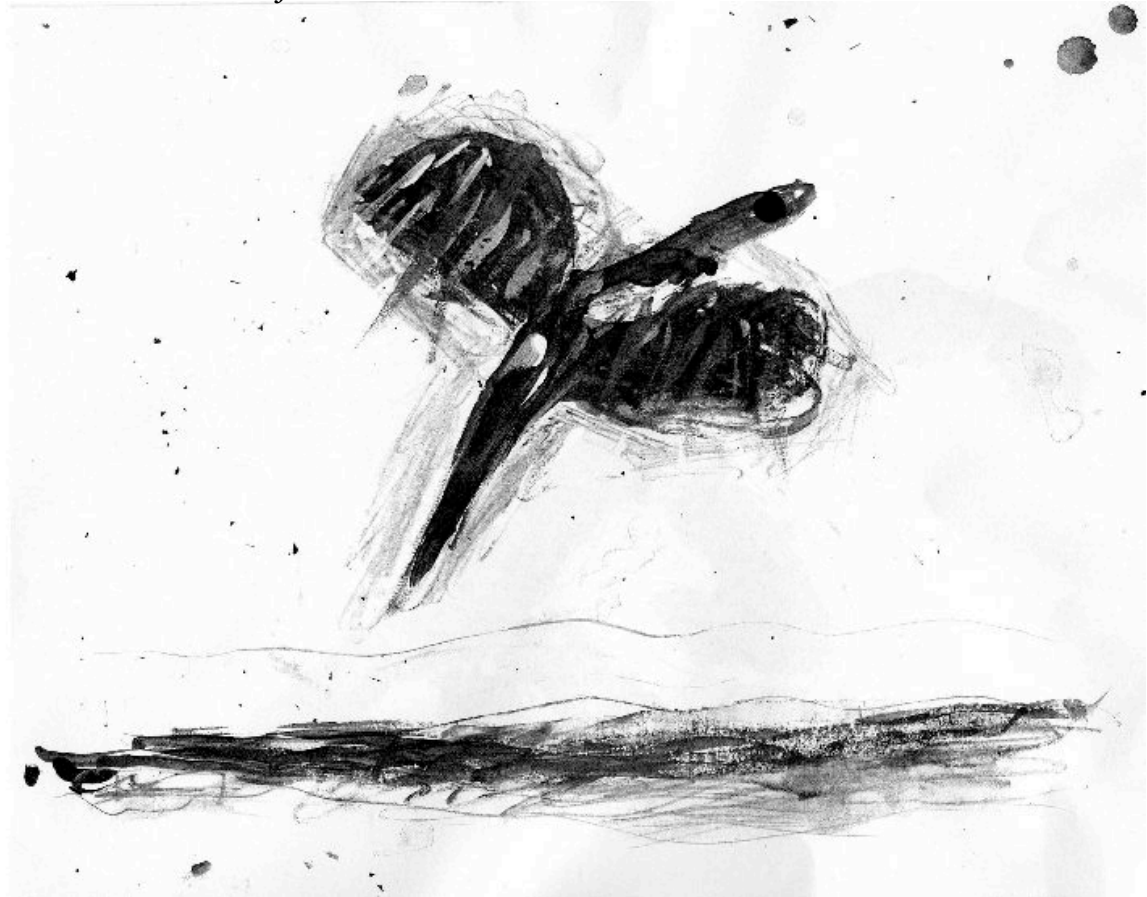
Quizzed

A surprising result for last week's Quiz Night with The Fab Four Plus 1 romping home to a stunning victory despite pre-event boasting by previous winners - you know who you are....Watch this space for details of the next Quiz Night to be organised by the current cup-holders. And for anyone who didn't make it you will find some taster Q&A's inserted in this week's FL to test your wit!

After hours safety

Just a reminder that we do supervise the playground from 8.30 am but after you have collected your little darlings at 3.15 they are all yours! If you are hanging around for a chat please ensure that they are playing safely on the playground not in the school building and that any cycling/light sabre-ing/scootering etc is done out of the way of other people (particularly very small ones). Thanks awfully.
Matthew (Health and Safety Officer)

Malachy's (Class 2) Ice Phoenix heralds our winter fair



Netball

Wednesday evening found the playground loud with anticipation at our first netball tournament. In the gloaming our teams rose to the challenge that St Pancras school brought us. With a first match score of 6-4 could we really hope for further success? Well, apparently.... yes - the second match finished 1-0. Flapjacks appeared as the hip, hip hoorays rang out and the skies opened. More visits are planned for the new year.