

Lunch Menu

Monday	Class 2's You Choose meal Veggie pizza with salad	Chocolate pudding with warm chocolate sauce
Wednesday	Pumpkin & coconut soup with seedy bread	Banana and walnut loaf
Friday	Leek & cheese tart with potato & tomato stew	Creamy rice pudding with fruit

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Weds 20	3.15pm Netball
Thurs 21	6pm Governors' Meeting
Fri 22	12.30pm Class 3 to Leisure Centre track for the Southdowns Schools Sport Partnership Cross Country event

Saturday 23rd Creative Workshop 9am – 5pm

Thurs 28th 7.30pm Marketing Team meeting

February

Weds 3rd 10am OPEN MORNING

Thurs 4th 7.30pm Premises Team meeting

Thurs 11th 2.30pm Tea/Pancake sale

Fri 12th Break up for Half Term

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I suspect that many of you share my sense at the moment of feeling a little disorientated. The snow has brought change to our normal routines and the second week of term has presented itself in a way that I'm not sure I've ever experienced before. To some extent it's been great. Our eyes have feasted on the Narnia all around us . . . we have enjoyed hurling missiles at whomsoever we fancy . . . we've shared hot chocolate and watched telly when we should probably have been doing other things . . . and in many ways have been perked up by the breaking of daily rules.

But what we've also noticed this term in the running (or not!) of the school, is the huge amount of thinking involved when you try to operate outside a normal routine. It's quite astounding how many questions creep in when the usual procedures are suspended. On a personal level it's been the dominant theme of my new year so far. After months of anticipation I've now embarked on part time work (I'll be around on Mondays, Tuesday afternoons, Wednesdays and Friday mornings). And, much against the advice of friends, I've spent a lot of my new found time (in between the drying of wet gloves and the mopping of kitchen floors) making plans for my days off in order to be sure that not a minute is wasted!

It may well be that I am a creature more drawn to routine than most – the school staff will certainly confirm that I'm a tedious stickler for the detail of our daily obligations. But I'm also a firm believer in the idea that if we can allow some systems to deal with the banalities we can in turn be freed up to do great things with the other bits. It looks pretty likely in the coming years that unpredictable weather will paradoxically become a part of our normal lives. In the short term we probably have the capacity to devise ways forward that will help us to cope with this. But my hope for the new year is that in the case of the changing weather we remember that we have a responsibility to do more than simply get used to it.

Lizzie

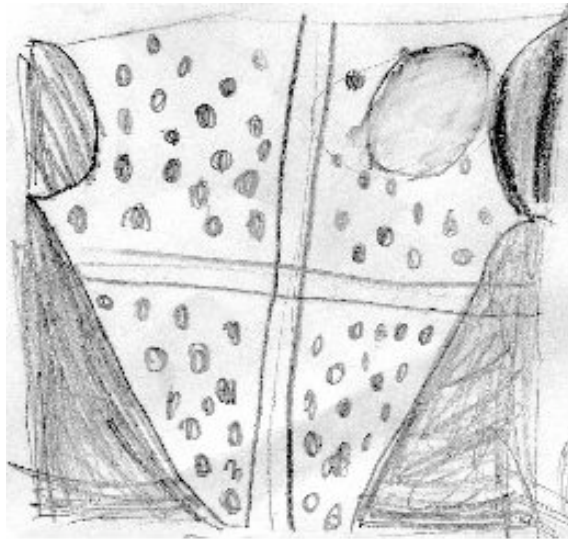
Brotherhood

A new term brings new faces and we're delighted to welcome a veritable bevy of brothers into the Nursery. Luca Thomas brother of Isobel(R) and James Orchard brother of Tommy(Y1) and Benji (Y2)

Next week we welcome Igui, Ines's brother.

Get dressed

The theme for Monday morning PE lessons throughout the school this term will be gymnastics. Please can all children have suitable clothes for this ready in school, or even better, arrive wearing them on a Monday morning. I would suggest tracksuit bottoms, shorts or leggings and a T-shirt without a hood. Please no jeans or restrictive trousers; trousers that are too long; dresses or tights. We will be buying more spare PE clothes to be kept at school for forgetful moments. Thanks, *Faustina*



*A window on a wintry world from
Martha & Isla (Class 3) and Eitas (Class 2)*

Please note that if your child has an illness involving vomiting or diarrhoea they should not return to school within 24 hours of the last incidence. Keeping to this guideline will help us stop infections spreading! Thanks, Matthew

10:10

After our very successful 10:10 meeting we have plans to reform the eco-club. The free-cycle board is going back up, next to the school notice board, and there will be a weekly 'eco-tip' in the newsletter, so here goes...

Eco-tip #1 Save your pasta, rice, bread and dried food bags and use them to wrap sandwiches instead of foil or cling film.

**Please send in your favourite eco-tip to
matthew.mills@lewesnewschool.co.uk - thanks!**

www.lewesnewschool.co.uk

Have you been using the website this week? – in the recent weather it has been a streamlined and efficient notice board for the school. But stay with it, it's always bursting with information. You could check out the details of Marco (Martha) and Stephanie's (Aileen) creative workshop at:

www.lewesnewschool.co.uk/Teacher_Workshop.aspx

You will find photos and descriptions of the successful staff day which was held last term (you can see some of the work in the hall).

Also posted on the home page, is an article about the school recently published in The Ecologist magazine.

Stephanie (Aileen) and Marco (Martha, Class 3) are offering LNS parents the creative workshop they ran for teachers in November on

Saturday 23rd January, 9am – 5pm.

There are a few places left at £25 per person, which will include lunch and refreshments. All money raised will be donated to the school's Art Development Fund.

Contact Marco at marco@marcocrivello.co.uk