

# Low Ash Primary School

## November/December 2014 Newsletter

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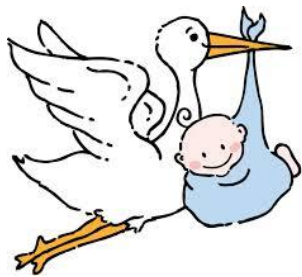
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### Staff News

We have quite a few staff changes coming up in the near future.

Mrs Buckley has decided to move to a teaching post which will provide her with more flexibility so she can spend more time with her family. She will be leaving at Christmas and Mrs Ord will be teaching in Year 2 instead. We wish Mrs Buckley all the very best in her new job.



Also leaving at Christmas will be Miss Haworth, who will be going on maternity leave until next September. We have recruited Mrs Eden,

who will be teaching in nursery from January until Miss Haworth returns.

We will also have to recruit more staff in the New Year as we have another 3 teachers who will be going on maternity leave in March and April. These are: Mrs Medhurst, Mrs Todd (formerly Miss Copley) and Mrs Rendell. In all the schools I've worked at I've never known 4 members of staff expecting babies at the same time – quite a shock to the system initially! And yes, we've had all the jokes about not sitting on a certain chair in the staff room! Joking aside, we wish them all well.

I'll keep you informed about new members of staff as soon as we have recruited.

### School Website



Information, letters and details of the many clubs on offer is available on our website. We are offering a variety of clubs; these include many sports/activity clubs, board games and art.

[www.lowash.bradford.sch.uk](http://www.lowash.bradford.sch.uk)

A reminder that all children should be picked up from the **Year 6 entrance door** after **any** after school club. Too many parents were using the staff car park and it was felt that for the safety of the children this was the best option. So far the new arrangements seem to be working really well.

### Consultation Evenings

It was lovely to see so many parents/carers attending Consultation Evening. 92% of parents/carers attended and there were many positive comments made to both myself and Nick Briggs our new Chair of Governors.

Governors are due to look at your responses to their questionnaire with a view to making any necessary changes to improve Low Ash.

Also, a reminder that you will receive a short report slip in January which will detail the progress your child has made since September.

A big 'thank you' for your recent kind donations to several charities and financial support to school.



The Christmas Fair was very well attended and raised approximately £1000 for

school funds. School Council members will be deciding what the money could be used for in the next week or two.

School received a thank you letter from Bradford North Food Bank last week. Your donations to the Harvest Food Bank Appeal totalled 240 kg of food, which is equivalent to £422!

Our Poppy Appeal raised a whopping £300 too!

**Bad Weather**

Some reminders should we get heavy snow this winter.

School will only close if there are serious worries about the safety of children, parents/carers or staff, or if several teachers are unable to get to school.



If this is the case, I will contact Bradford Local Authority and let them know that the school will be closed. The Authority will then inform local radio stations of the closure. You will also be able to find out if the school is closed by accessing the School website - [www.lowash.bradford.sch.uk](http://www.lowash.bradford.sch.uk) or by 'Googling' the 'Bradford Schools Online' website. Once on this site click on 'Emergencies' on the contents list on the left, then click 'Emergency

Closures'. The school will also use our texting service to inform you of a closure, or alternatively you can telephone school.

If the snow is not heavy, safety is not an issue and teachers can get in we will stay open.

Please keep to the designated paths cleared by the Site Team when this happens.

**Important Dates Coming up**

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mr Terry Woollin (Headteacher)

<b>Class Christmas Parties</b>	<b>Mon 15<sup>th</sup> - Years 5 and 6 Tues 16<sup>th</sup> - Years 3 and 4 Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> - Nursery Year 1 and Year 2</b>
<b>Reception Parents 'creativity' stay and play session</b>	<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December 9.30 to 10.30 in the Old Hall</b>
<b>Year 1 and 2 Nativity</b>	<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December in the Old Hall at 9.30am (babies/toddlers welcome)</b>
<b>Year 1 and 2 Nativity</b>	<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December in the Old Hall at 9.30am (parents only please)</b>
<b>Year 1 and 2 Nativity</b>	<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December in the Old Hall at 9.30am (parents only please)</b>
<b>Christmas Dinner</b>	<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>
<b>Carols by Candlelight</b>	<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December in the Old Hall at 6.30pm</b>
<b>School closes for Christmas holidays</b>	<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>
<b>School re-opens after Christmas holidays</b>	<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January</b>