

NEWSLETTER

LINAKER PRIMARY SCHOOL & CHILDREN'S CENTRE - OCTOBER 2011

Key Dates ...

Monday 17th October

Parents Evening

Friday 21st October

INSET Day

**Monday 24th - Friday 28th
October**

Half Term Holidays

Tuesday 8th November

Individual School Photos

Friday 16th December

School Closes for Christmas
Holidays at 1.30pm

Wednesday 4th January 2012

New Term Begins

Monday 6th February 2012

Parents Evening

**Monday 13th - Friday 17th
February 2012**

Half Term Holidays

Friday 30th March 2012

School Closes for Easter at 1.30pm

**Monday 2nd - Friday 13th
April 2012**

Easter Holidays



General News ...

Children's Centre

Consultation : Have you completed the consultation on planned changes to Children's Centres ? If not, please go to www.sefton.gov.uk/childrenscentres and fill in the questionnaire

New Staff : We warmly welcome some new staff to Linaker this September : Miss Henshall, Miss Moore, Mrs Robertson, Miss Leddy, Mrs Hyland, Miss Norris and Miss Evison.

Welcome To : Yolanda, our newest Language Assistant,

from Spain, who's supporting the teaching of Spanish throughout the school.

Photographs : Individual school photographs will be taken on the 8th November. Please ensure that your child is particularly clean and tidy on that day.

School Dinners : Can we remind those that have school dinners and pay for them, that payment is due in advance on a Monday.

Reception Places 2012 : Please read the important information on the reverse side.

Please Remember That We Finish On Thursday 20th October for Half Term. The School, the Nursery and Children's Centre are ALL closed on Friday 21st October for staff training.

Some Gentle Reminders

1. **Nail Varnish** - please remember that we do not allow nail varnish to be worn in school
2. **Bikes** - if your child brings a bike to school, they must request a bike permit. This is an agreement between the school and yourself about the standards we expect.
3. **Dismount** - If your child comes to school on either a bike or a scooter, they must dismount when they enter the playground. This reduces the risk of an accident.
4. **Footwear** - children should wear black or brown shoes for school.
5. **Golden Time Toys** - please remember that children should not bring in toy weapons for golden time and that all things brought in are at a parents risk

Christmas Pantomime '11

This year's school pantomime will be 'Cinderella' and takes place on Friday 2nd December at Meols Cop High School.

Reception Places For September 2012

Parents can apply in one of two ways :

On-line Application : go to www.sefton.gov.uk/admissions and apply there OR
Request An Admission Booklet : [these are available upon request from the school office.](#)

The booklet contains an application form which can either be returned to the school or sent directly to Sefton. For any forms received by the school you will be issued with a receipt to acknowledge that you have returned it to us.

The closing date for applications is the 31st October 2011 BUT applications can be accepted until the national closing date of the 15th January 2012.

Please remember that every parent must apply for a place in the Reception class. There are no automatic places given for siblings of children already at Linaker OR for children who are in our childcare or nursery setting.

Are You On Income Support ? On Job Seekers Allowance ? On Employment Support Allowance ? On Child Tax Credit ?

Then You Could Be Eligible for Free School Meals . A significant proportion of our school budget is based on the number of children entitled to free meals. Last year this figure hit nearly £100,000. Even if your child doesn't want the school meals, by simply applying and being eligible we can claim the funding. So, if you are eligible PLEASE apply ! Forms are available from the school office.



Why Not Follow Us On Twitter ?

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We have recently purchased a set of 32 iPad2's for use in school. These are proving to be extremely popular and are used by all our year groups to help support the teaching of maths and english.



Have You Visited Our Newly Refreshed Website ? If Not, Why Not Visit :

www.linakerschool.co.uk