

# LA MARE DE CARTERET NEWSLETTER

## MAY/JUNE 2011



### LIBERATION DAY



The children had an amazing day! Following an informative assembly presented by Year 5 pupils about everyday life in World War Two, the whole school went outside to eat a 'wartime' picnic lunch. The playground was very atmospheric, decked with flags and bunting and with staff and children wearing red, white and blue clothing.

After lunch, a wonderful surprise! Seven WW2 military vehicles drove into our school playground. The children got to explore these first hand by climbing into the driving seat, turning wheels and pressing buttons.



We finished our wonderful Liberation day, back in the hall for a poignant farewell assembly for RAF Kinloss. Many thanks to Year 5 teachers and support staff for organising such a wonderful day!



### SPORTS DAY

Sadly, the sun did not smile on us for our Sports day this year. However, the children did not let that deter them from having a great time. The afternoon was organised to enable all children to showcase the skills they have gained in their P.E and games lessons throughout this year, competing against the clock for house points. It was lovely to see how the older pupils helped the younger ones. This was followed by competitive races for the juniors.

Some parents have asked if we can also have some competitive races for the infants too. We will look at this, but we will still keep the round of sports skills activities to enable all children to have fun and participate.



### SPONSORED SWIM

A big 'thank-you' to all parents for organising sponsorship forms and collecting sponsorship money. At Sports assembly, the children were amazed to hear that they had swum over 3,000 laps between them.

A special 'thank-you' also to the wonderful ladies from the P.T.A who provided refreshments much appreciated by the children.



## MAYPOLE

Our team of maypole dancers have been practising their dance routines to get the steps exactly right. Some of the routines are quite complex and the dancers have to concentrate very hard on counting steps and following the music. Thank you to Mrs Richards and Miss Lane for taking the team through their paces.

The team danced at Blanchelande home for the elderly and gave an excellent performance which was very much appreciated by the residents.

They will be performing at the Viaer Marchi on 4<sup>th</sup> July. Why not come and cheer them on?



## ATHLETICS

Our school athletes have taken part in the 4 schools tournament and The RG Falla Smokebusters Athletics Tournament at Footes Lane. As always they displayed excellent sportsmanship and tried their very best to do well.



Thank you to everyone who turned out to support our teams and especially to Miss Mills for her efforts in organising and training them. It was a late evening, but it was a marvellous opportunity for our pupils to compete in a real athletics arena.

## SEAL THEME

Our new SEAL (Social and Emotional Aspects of Learning) for this term is 'Changes'.

## P.T.A B.B.Q

Tickets are now on sale for this very enjoyable family event. An adult ticket costs £8 and a child ticket costs £5. A family ticket for up to 5 can be purchased for £25.

In addition to delicious food, there will also be swimming and games.

Tickets are selling like hot sausages, so get yours now, before they go.

## YEAR FIVE TRIP TO FRANCE



Year five had a wonderful four days in France, packed with activities. They visited a French school, a theme park, a marina, a zoo and a hypermarket.

Many thanks to Miss Dale for organising such a wonderful cultural and educational experience for our pupils and to Mrs Hand, Mr Paul, Mrs Richards, Miss Vidamour, Mrs Smith and Mrs Parker who accompanied the children to ensure they were all safe, well and happy.



## AND THOSE WHO STAYED BEHIND

Y5 pupils who did not attend the French trip, also enjoyed a week of fun and activities, including visiting many interesting places in Guernsey and making their own pizza and pasta from scratch.



These pupils also had the wonderful opportunity to participate in tennis coaching with Richard Krajicek, winner of the 1996 Wimbledon Men's Singles. Many thanks to Miss Lane, Mrs MacKay and Mrs Snoding for providing such excellent experiences.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 1<sup>st</sup> July: Last day for class/team photo orders.
- 1<sup>st</sup> July: P.T.A. BBQ 5.30 – 8.30pm
- W/C 4<sup>th</sup> July: Healthy Week.
- 12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> July: Year Six Camp.
- 18<sup>th</sup> July: Swimming Sports 1pm
- 21<sup>st</sup> July: Year Six Leaver's evening 6.30pm
- 22<sup>nd</sup> July: **Last day of term. School closes at 1pm.**

## YEAR 3 NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL GARDEN.

Specsavers returned to help Year 3 children with the garden. The plants are flourishing with edible crops coming to fruition and beneficial and bedding flowers decorating the garden and front of the school.



As well as planting tomatoes, strawberries and herbs, the children learned how to weed and thin the rows.



The lettuce was harvested and the bed re-seeded to allow for continual harvest as it was greatly appreciated at lunchtime. Fortunately the water butt is in place and we have had enough rain to water the garden. The children are enjoying the responsibility and learning opportunities the garden provides.

