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Laxdale News

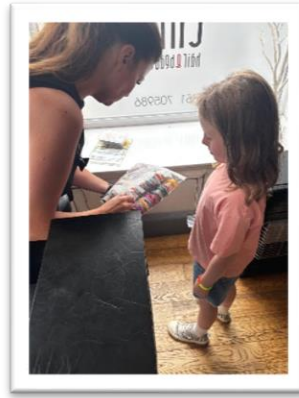
Friday 3 October 2025



RUBY'S FUNDRAISING SUCCESS

A huge thank you to Ruby Macdonald, GM4, who has generously donated £200 to the school after taking time out in the summer holidays to make and sell homemade loom bands.

Ruby's Mum shared that the generosity, from locals (individuals and businesses) and tourists alike was overwhelming and allowed Ruby to raise the grand total of £200. As a school, we are grateful to Ruby for her kind donation. Thanks to all who supported Ruby!



WHOLE SCHOOL SPONSORED WALK

A big well done to all pupils, staff and parent helpers who completed the Sponsored Walk on Wednesday 1 October. Thankfully, the weather held for us and the pupils were able to enjoy a play at the park to break up the walk. It is a challenging distance to walk, particularly for our younger pupils, and they are to be commended for how well they managed. A reminder that all Sponsor Forms and monies should be handed in to the School Office by Thursday 9 October. We will announce the winner of the prize for greatest amount raised next term. Good luck to all pupils!



CROSSING SAFETY

Another reminder to all pupils to be extra vigilant when using the traffic lights at the crossing outside the school. Pupils are asked to check there are no cars coming before they cross **even if the lights are at red.**



INTERGENERATIONAL VISIT TO LAXDALE HALL

On Thursday 2 October, GL4-5 visited Laxdale Hall to spend time with the local Senior Citizens group. The class and their teacher, Miss Mackenzie, worked hard to prepare a 'Thank You' poem and positive affirmation gifts to leave with the Senior citizens as part of their visit. The children spoke very positively about the time spent together. Here are some photos and quotes from our pupils. Thanks to Holly at Laxdale Hall for helping to coordinate this valuable work. See our FB page for more photos and a lovely write up by the Laxdale Hall.



"It was great to mix young and old together, and to share stories with each other. It was lovely to meet new people." Isla and Lexi, GL4/5

"The senior citizens were kind and friendly. They answered our interview questions, perfectly. We learned about the games that they played at school, when they were young, and we also learned how strict school was then." Billy, GL4

"We read our 'Thank You' poems to them and gave them each a special copy of our poem to keep. We also gave them a 3D flower picture which had a positive message hidden under the flower pot. We had a wonderful time, this morning." Sophia and Finn, GL4

UNILOC COMPETITION

Well done to our P5-7 pupils who took part in the Unihoc Competition event at the Sports Centre over the last two weeks. Over 40 pupils took part and played well in their teams. They each behaved well, showed good sportsmanship and represented the school very well. Good effort everyone! See our teams below:



HOUSE CAPTAINS ASSEMBLY

This morning, our House Captains lead Assembly. They shared information with the whole school about their weekly Laxdale News Vlog, encouraging all pupils to share individual and class successes so that we can celebrate achievements. They also spoke about changes to our House Point System, sharing that GL5-6 will lead Assembly at the end of October to explain more. The House Captains launched their *Design a House Mascot* competition which closes on the last day of term. The House Captains then organised House Huddles to gather views/suggestions/ideas from all the pupils in the individual houses, giving them a voice. The House Captains had prepared questions to lead/guide the discussion. Well done to our House Captains for leading Assembly so well!



NON-UNIFORM DATES FOR SESSION 2025-26

Friday 31 October 2025

Friday 21 November 2025

Thursday 19 December 2025

Friday 30 January 2026

Friday 27 February 2026

Friday 27 March 2025

Friday 24 April 2026

Friday 29 May 2026

Friday 26 June 2026

On the last Friday of the month we have a non-uniform day where pupils can come to school without wearing their uniform. Pupils are invited to donate £1 towards school funds. The donation is optional and will not be asked for from pupils. Money raised for school funds goes towards treats for pupils.

DATES FOR THE DIARY – TERM 1 and 2

Please notes dates for the term ahead.

Thursday 9 October	School closes for the October Holidays on Thursday at 3:15pm
Friday 24 October	Show Racism the Red Card Wear Red Day/Activities
Friday 7 November	Remembrance Assembly
Wednesday 12 November	World Diabetes Day
Friday 14 November 2025	Children in Need
Friday 5 December	Celebration Assembly GM5-7 and GM3-4
Wednesday 10 December	Human Rights Day
Wednesday 17 December	Carol Service Sing Along for Parents 1.45pm – 2.45pm (followed by tea/coffee)
Friday 19 December	Christmas Assembly

As we head into the weekend with a Yellow Weather Warning in place, I hope all pupils, staff and families stay safe and have a restful weekend.

Mrs J Macleod, Acting Head of School