

# Egloskerry School

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\* **Egloskerry School Website:** \*  
\* [www.egloskerry.cornwall.sch.uk](http://www.egloskerry.cornwall.sch.uk): You can also \*  
\* view the newsletter on our website; please check \*  
\* every week for more information and updates. \*  
\* This week: The Giving Machine, the Aspens app, \*  
\* the Health Box & the Disclaimer. \*  
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## Christmas Parties

The children's Christmas parties will take place on **Wednesday 20th December**, and will include a visit from a special guest! Please could children bring in a board or card game to share and play (but please do not send in any electronic games).

Children are welcome to wear a Christmas jumper or party clothes, and, in support of the Save the Children "Wear a Christmas Jumper Day", we would be grateful if you could send in a £1 donation if your child is taking part in this non-uniform day.

Egloskerry School will provide some party treats, but we would ask parents and carers to send in a **small** selection from the following:

Ham sandwiches, cheese sandwiches, carrot or cucumber sticks, grapes, pineapple cubes, sausage rolls. Children will need to book in for their school lunch or bring a packed lunch as usual please.

Thank you.

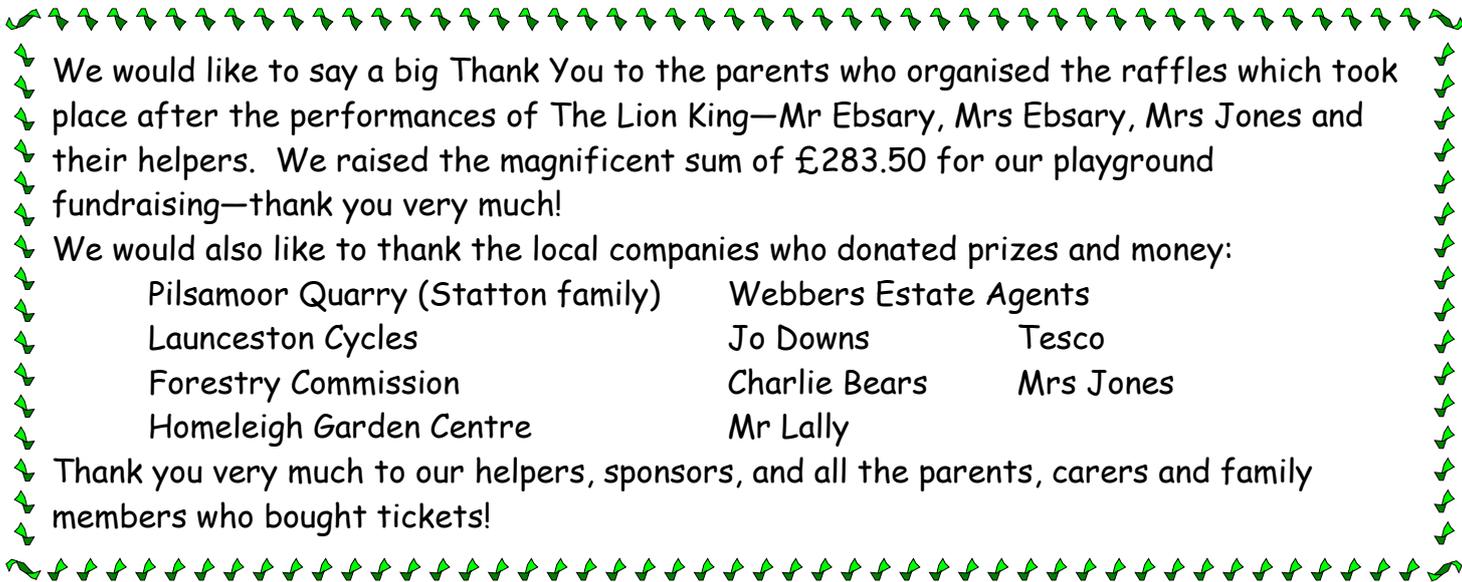
It was lovely to see so many parents, carers and family members at our performances of The Lion King. The children all performed amazingly well, from Year R taking part in their first school performance, through all the classes in their various roles, to Year 6 taking part for the last time in an Egloskerry Christmas show! Thank you to all our staff for all the hard work they put in rehearsing the children, scenery and set production, lighting and sound, ticket and programme design, and organising the three performances and the dress rehearsals. Thanks to Mrs Coombs and Mr Chorlton for producing the play, Miss Hawkey and her family for the magnificent backdrop, and everyone else who worked hard to make it so successful. Last but not least, thank you to the children for their enthusiasm and hard work, and to parents and carers for help with costumes and the learning of lines and songs! Taking part in the performances, together with the preparation beforehand, was a wonderful learning experience for the children.

Please note our term dates:

The last day of Autumn term is: **Wednesday 20th December**

The first day of the Spring term is **Thursday 4th January**

We hope you have a very Happy Christmas and a Joyful New Year!


 We would like to say a big Thank You to the parents who organised the raffles which took place after the performances of The Lion King—Mr Ebsary, Mrs Ebsary, Mrs Jones and their helpers. We raised the magnificent sum of £283.50 for our playground fundraising—thank you very much!  
 We would also like to thank the local companies who donated prizes and money:

Pilsamoor Quarry (Statton family)	Webbers Estate Agents
Launceston Cycles	Jo Downs            Tesco
Forestry Commission	Charlie Bears       Mrs Jones
Homeleigh Garden Centre	Mr Lally

Thank you very much to our helpers, sponsors, and all the parents, carers and family members who bought tickets!


 Once again, we would like to say a huge Thank You to Mrs Gumbrell and her assistants this week for the truly amazing Christmas lunch we enjoyed yesterday! This was an incredible task—to serve up almost 100 delicious meals. Thank you to all of our school staff who served the meal to the children.  
 It was lovely to welcome the parents/carers of our Year 6 children, and we all enjoyed a wonderful Christmassy occasion!


**Christmas in Launceston**  
 Please see the poster in the foyer. Events include:  
 Saturday 9 December: Christmas Market in the Square  
 Thurs 14 December, 6.30pm, Carol Singing Around the Tree  
 Saturday 16 December, 2.45pm, Carols by South Hill Choir, Launceston Town Square  
 Saturday 16 December, 7.30pm, Community Carol Concert, Launceston Town Hall  
 Sunday 24th December, 10.00—3.00, Christmas Eve Shopping.  
 Free car parking on Saturdays in December in Westgate Street Multi Storey


**Pipers Pool Methodist Church invite you to: Carols in the Barn**  
 The Christmas Story in the style of "We're going on a Bear Hunt", 11.00am on Sunday 17th December, Gospenheale Farm, Pipers Pool, PL15 8PQ.  
 An interactive Carol Service for all ages—come dressed as a Nativity character! Everybody has a part to play. Hot Dog lunch.  
 Collection for St Petroc's Society.  
 For more information contact: david.pett7@ gmail.com

**The Giving Machine:** please help us to fundraise by joining The Giving Machine (free to join). It takes just two minutes to register, and parents and staff who shop online at the huge selection of shopping sites earn commission for the school. The company only supports charities and schools, and are members of the Institute of Fundraising and the Fundraising Standards Board. Please log onto: [thegivingmachine.co.uk](http://thegivingmachine.co.uk), click on "Join our Giving Community" and follow the instructions. Please remember our school each time you shop online—thank you.

Please see the information on our website about Aspens Services' new app, which will enable you to see the lunch menu with just a couple of presses on your smartphone. Egloskerry's unique PIN number is: **18305882**, and the link is: [aspens-services.co.uk/schools/egloskerry-cp-school/](http://aspens-services.co.uk/schools/egloskerry-cp-school/) You can search for the app at the App Store or Google Play, install, add the unique PIN number, and you will be able to view the menu, get in touch with Aspens, provide feedback and find out more about their services. The app shows **the current menu**.

- **Health Box:** We have children attending the school who are prone to picking up infections more easily, so we thought it may be a good idea to include a health box in our weekly newsletter.
- We would ask if parents could please inform the school of any infections, viruses or diarrhoea and vomiting that your child may have, as you usually do. Could you please also inform us of any of the above which your children may have been in contact with recently without showing any symptoms, so that we are all aware. Please remember that all children should be at home for 48 hours following sickness or diarrhoea. Thank you.
- **A note regarding Hearing and Vision Tests:** It is very important to ensure your child does not have any problems with their hearing or vision. Screening is carried out in school, by the NHS, for Reception age children, but do please get in touch with your doctor or the School Nurse if you would like tests done at any other time. To contact the Nurse, phone 01288 320152. For vision tests, please contact your local optician, as tests are carried out free of charge for children. If you would like a referral to the School Nurse, please ask at the school office.
- **Headlice:** if necessary, please see the information on our website about the treatment of headlice.
- **Medicines/Cough Sweets etc:** please could *all* medicines, cough sweets, antiseptic creams etc be brought to the office, labelled with the child's name. We can administer medicines during the school day; we just need your instructions (a form is available to complete). Any medication kept in a bookbag or rucsac during the day could be picked up by another child, who might be allergic to it. Your child is also welcome to come to the office at break times to take a cough sweet etc. Thank you.

**"Signposting" information to parents—Disclaimer:** All providers have confirmed that they hold all necessary accreditation, qualifications and insurance to organise and run the events and activities described. No duly appointed officer of Cornwall Council has inspected these services and parents must make their own enquiries and satisfy themselves as to the suitability of the providers before engaging their services. In all the circumstances, neither the school nor One Cornwall will accept any liability arising out of those events.