



*Loving one another, building each other up*

# Littledean C of E Primary School Newsletter 4

29<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear Parents,

## School Photographs

Online orders only this time, please order by Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2023 for free delivery to school. Orders can be placed after this but will incur a delivery charge.  
Thank you



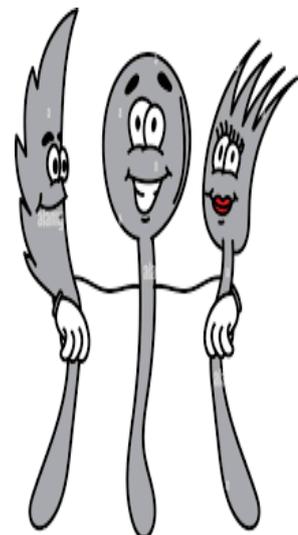
## School Census Day – Hot School Meals – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2023

5<sup>th</sup> October is the national schools census day. School funding for the next financial year (April – March) is based on number of children registered at school on this day, also numbers who are on the SEND register, free school meals register and even those who eat a school meal on this day. So as to maximise the amount of funding we can receive we will hold a special meal on the Thursday and encourage everyone to try a hot school meal.

### ***Thursday's Menu will be:***

**Hot dog or Vegetarian Hot dog with Chips  
Coleslaw and Salad and Syrup Sponge and  
Custard for pudding.**

The weekly menu slips will reflect these changes. Please ensure menu slips are handed in during registration on a Monday morning. A hot meal costs £2.54 daily £12.70 weekly, (Pre-school £2.55 daily £12.75 weekly) and should be paid for in advance through our online payment system [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com). Those children who are in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 are entitled to a free meal under the Universal infant free school meal scheme, as are those entitled to free school meals.



## Harvest Celebrations



Once again as part of our harvest celebrations will ask our school community to donate, if possible, towards the Forest Food Bank. We know what an essential service they provide not only to our community but across the Forest of Dean.

**Please bring your donations into school during week commencing Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023. Thank you**

Our Harvest Service will be held on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at St Ethelberts Church at 9.15 a.m. We hope that you are able to join us

Further information about the Forest Foodbank can be found at

<https://theforest.foodbank.org.uk/>



## Celebration Worship

Each Thursday we hold a celebration worship in School. Certificates are given to each class for:

- ✓ Learner of the Week
- ✓ Values award

And new this term:

- ✓ Reader of the week



Please check out our X (formerly Twitter) page for weekly winners

## Mayan Topic

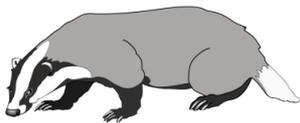
This term Maple class' topic is the Mayans. They were extremely busy last week making Mayan masks with Mrs Cox for their Classroom display



## House Points

Each week our children work towards earning house points for their team. At the end of each seasonal term the house who have won the most times have an afternoon of fun.

House points are earned for a good attitude to learning, contributions to class discussions, good manners, ready to learn, growth mindset just to name a few.



**Badgers**

**108**



**Foxes**

**127**



**Hedgehogs**

**85**



**Squirrels**

**141**

**Congratulations to this week's winners: -**

**Squirrels**

## Holiday Requests

We all look forward to a holiday away from home but, before you book, please remember that the Governments guidance remains very clear that we cannot authorise holiday requests in term time. Any requests submitted will not be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances. You may also be fined for taking your child out of school during term time.



## Term Dates 2023 / 2024

These are also available on our website

[https://www.littledeanprimary.co.uk/website/term\\_dates/198634](https://www.littledeanprimary.co.uk/website/term_dates/198634)

<b>Term 1</b>	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2023 – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2023
<b>Term 2</b>	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November 2023 – Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2023
<b>Term 3</b>	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 – Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
<b>Term 4</b>	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 – Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2024
<b>Term 5</b>	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 – Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2024
<b>Term 6</b>	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2024 – Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2024

<b>INSET Days</b>	<b>1</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> September 2023
	<b>2</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> September 2023
	<b>3</b>	22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2023
	<b>4</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
	<b>5</b>	22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2024

## Diary Dates

Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> October	Special Census Menu
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Service at St Ethelberts Church 9.15 a.m.
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	Leadership and Management Governors Meeting
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	Friends Association AGM Littedean House Hotel at 7.30 p.m.
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents afternoon
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents evening
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Flu Immunisation – Packed lunches required
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Friends Christmas Fair 3.00
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Infant Christmas Performance – afternoon
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Infant Christmas Performance – evening
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Christmas Service at St Ethelberts Church