



Loving one another, building each other up

Littledean C of E Primary School Newsletter 18

26th January 2024

Dear Parents

Rags to Riches Clothing Collection – Wednesday 24th January 2024



Thank you for your kind donations, we received 30 bags weighing 83.97kg, and raised £41.00 for our school funds.

Our next collect will be on 13th May 2024

Maple Class

After half term Maple Class will be creating memory sculptures within a shoe box. Please could they bring in a shoe box so that it is ready, in school for when we need it.

If you have spare boxes please bring those in too.

Thank you.



Watches in School



We have noticed that some children are coming into school wearing watches which have the facility to play games. These can cause quite a distraction during lessons so we ask that they no longer wear them to school.

Wellbeing Champions

We are the Wellbeing Champions, we will be contributing to the school newsletter a few times each term.

For this newsletter we would like to share what wellbeing is. Wellbeing is when you have a sense of contentment and satisfaction with your life and a positive outlook on your personal and professional experiences.

A good way to think about wellbeing is to think about the 5 Ways to Wellbeing below.

These are five steps that you can take to help to improve your wellbeing

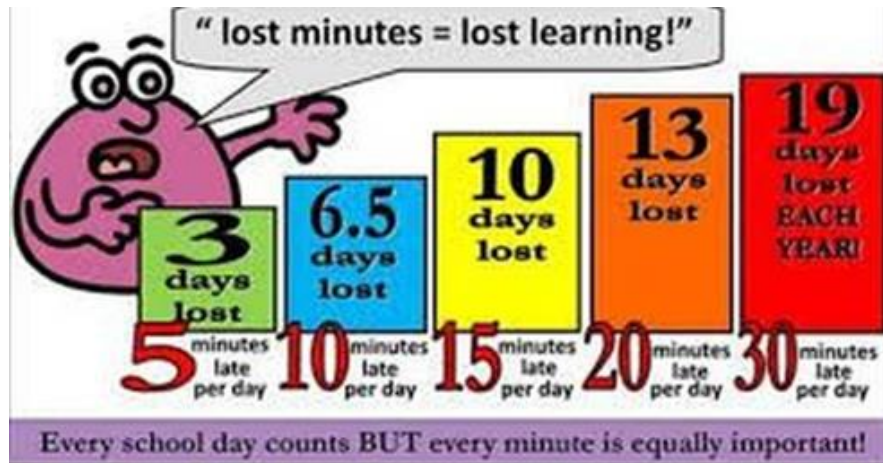


Challenge – Wellbeing Bingo

We are setting you a challenge! We would like you to have a go at completing the Wellbeing Bingo sheet that is attached. We will be launching this with the children on Monday and anyone who completes the bingo sheet and returns it to school (with their name on) will receive 100 house points. The challenge will end on Monday 5th February.

There will be more challenges and activities to come.

Take care from the Wellbeing Champions.



Visit to Slimbridge Wetlands

Years 1, 2, 3 and Carbon Footprints had a wonderful if somewhat chilly day out at Slimbridge Wetland Centre last week. Lots of great learning took place all about our environment and how we can help plants and animals to flourish in their natural habitat. Look out for letters home for the children to continue their learning and earn great rewards too!



Chestnut Class

This week Chestnut class have started their DT unit with inspiration from Chinese New Year making some Asian Fruit kebabs.

We had great fun cooking but also enjoyed talking about how the foods in different continents vary due to differing climates.

Hopefully some of you will have got to taste these lovely Kebabs as a Chinese New Year gift from the children.



Spellings and Home Work

A reminder that spellings and homework are no longer sent home as paper copies but are available on class pages to support our work in becoming a greener school. Class pages can be found on the school website at

<https://www.littledeanprimary.co.uk/website/classes/169676>

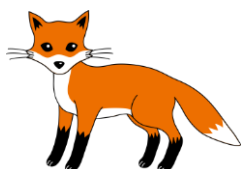
Headlice

Unfortunately parents have advised that we have headlice and nits in the school community. Please help us to become nit and headlice free by tying long hair up whilst in school and checking your children (and other family members) on a regular basis. Further information can be found on the NHS direct website. Thank you. <http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/headlice/Pages/Treatment.aspx>

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.



Foxes

648



Badgers

540



Squirrels

642



Hedgehogs

283

Congratulations to this week's winners: -



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

Term 3	Monday 8 th January 2024 – Friday 9 th February 2024
Term 4	Monday 19 th February 2024 – Friday 22 nd March 2024
Term 5	Monday 8 th April 2024 – Friday 24 th May 2024
Term 6	Monday 3 rd June 2024 – Monday 22 nd July 2024

INSET Days	4	8 th April 2024
	5	22 nd July 2024

Diary Dates

Monday 5 th February	Girls Football tournament at Forest High School
Wednesday 7 th February	Visit from PSCO
Wednesday 7 th February	Governors Learning Walk - Science
Tuesday 20 th February	Governor Finance Training
Tuesday 20 th February	Chestnut Class visit to Chedworth Roman Villa
Wednesday 28 th February	Governors Curriculum Committee
Friday 1 st March	National Allocation day for Secondary School places
Tuesday 5 th March	Governors Leadership Committee
Tuesday 5 th March	Parental Consultations – Afternoon
Wednesday 6 th March	Parental Consultations – Evening
Friday 22 nd March	Last day of term, Easter service at St Ethelbert's Church
Friday 12 th April	Governors Learning Walk - PSHCE
Wednesday 17 th April	National Allocation Day for reception pupils
Wednesday 17 th April	Swimming session 1
W/c Monday 13 th May	Year 6 SATS week
Wednesday 22 nd May	Maple Class Visit to Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust
Tuesday 4 th June	Maple Class Adventure Day – Wilderness Centre