



Loving one another, building each other up

Littledean C of E Primary School Newsletter 5

6th October 2023

Dear Parents,

Harvest Celebrations

Thank you for your kind donations for our Harvest Celebrations. The food donated will be collected by the Forest Food bank over the next few days.

Further information about the Forest Foodbank can be found at

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



While the children were at Church this morning Pre-School were busy collecting leaves and making their harvest wreath.

School Census Day – Hot School Meals – Thursday 5th October 2023



We hope that the children enjoyed their hot meal taster day yesterday.

If your child would like a hot meal daily please complete and return the menu slips which are handed out on a Friday. 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. 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.

This week in Holly Berries Class

Holly Berries have been celebrating National Poetry Day. We had fun reading poems by Michael Rosen then created our own class poems and made bendy men using pipe cleaners.



This week in Maple Class

On Thursday afternoon, Maple Class joined many other primary school pupils across the country for a virtual talk from an astrophysicist: **Exploring the dark Universe with the Euclid space telescope.**

This week, Maple Class started their new art topic: Making My Voice Heard. They looked at the work of Mexican artist Diego Rivera.



Flu Immunisation – Monday 23rd October 2023

The Flu Immunisation packs were issued a few weeks ago, thank you for the high number of forms returned so far. There is still plenty of time to return forms, if you have misplaced yours please ask for a copy from the office.

As the immunisation team will be using the hall that day we will not be able to provide a hot meal service. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be ordered a packed lunch. Children in Years 3 – 6 can order a packed lunch at a cost of £2.54 or we ask that they bring their own. Thank you.

Cauliflower Christmas Cards



The children will be working on their artwork for their Cauliflower Cards over the next few days. Please place orders and return your artwork and order form to school before Tuesday 17th October 2023

Mental Health Day – Tuesday 10th October 2023

Please see separate letter from the Friends about wearing yellow to school on Tuesday 10th October to support Young Minds.

You can make a donation through:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/amy-evans-1694368348499?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page%2Famy-evans-1694368348499&utm_source=whatsapp



House Points

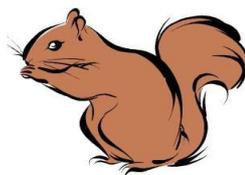
Each week our children work towards earning house points for their team. At the end of each seasonal term the house who have won the most times have an afternoon of fun.

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

271



Squirrels

175



Hedgehogs

172



Badgers

119

Congratulations to this week's winners: -

Foxes

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 1	Monday 4 th September 2023 – Friday 27 th October 2023
Term 2	Monday 6 th November 2023 – Friday 22 nd December 2023
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	1	4 th September 2023
	2	5 th September 2023
	3	22 nd December 2023
	4	8 th April 2024
	5	22 nd July 2024

Diary Dates

Tuesday 10 th October	Leadership and Management Governors Meeting
Tuesday 10 th October	World Mental Health Day – Wear Yellow
Thursday 12 th October	Friends Association AGM Littedean House Hotel at 7.30 p.m.
Tuesday 17 th October	Parents afternoon
Tuesday 17 th October	Last day for ordering and returning Cauliflower cards
Wednesday 18 th October	Parents evening
Thursday 19 th October	Friends Movie Night for Maple and Chestnut Classes
Monday 23 rd October	Flu Immunisation – Packed lunches required
Friday 24 th November	Friends Christmas Fair 3.00
Wednesday 13 th December	Infant Christmas Performance – afternoon
Thursday 14 th December	Infant Christmas Performance – evening
Tuesday 19 th December	Pantomime at Savoy Monmouth for Years 2,3,4,5,6
Wednesday 20 th December	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
Thursday 21 st December	Christmas Service at St Ethelberts Church