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People with time for Children

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Dear Parents

We hope you have had an enjoyable Easter break. Welcome to term 5 which has started with a very warm and sunny few days. Please remember to send your children to school in weather appropriate clothing, this time of year this includes a waterproof coat and sun hat and sun cream. Our Christian Value for Life this term is 'Service'.

Over Farm Visit – Tuesday 24th April

Holly Berries and Holly Leaves Classes have their visit to Over Farm tomorrow. A separate letter has been sent to parents in those classes, we hope that you have an enjoyable day. Please do not park in the coach layby as this will be needed by the coach. Thank you.

Stay and Play – Tuesday 24th April

We start our Stay and Play sessions for parents and pre-school children from 0 – 4 years old. We hope you will be able to join us.

Friends Summer Fair – Jazzy Jars – Wednesday 25th April

The Friends have organised their Summer Fair date: **Saturday 23rd June 2018**. We will be holding our usual non-uniform days in the run up to the event for various donations. These will be held on:

- Wednesday 25th April PJ Day for Jazzy Jars
- Wednesday 23rd May Fancy Dress for Bottles
- Wednesday 20th June Beach Day Wear for chocolates

Also the Friends Dog Show at Littledean Community Centre has been organised for **Sunday 6th May 2018**. Further information will follow.

Rock Steady Concert – Thursday 26th April

We understand that the Rock Steady Concert has been arranged for Thursday 26th April at 9.30 a.m. We hope you are able to come along to see how much progress the children have made over the past few weeks.

Chestnut Class Swimming – Thursday 26th April

Chestnut class will have their first swimming lesson on Thursday. Please ensure that swimming kit is brought into school. If for any reason your child cannot take part in the lesson please contact the school to let us know why. Further sessions for Chestnut class will take place on 10th May and 24th May. Please remember to visit our online pay system www.parentpay.com to contribute towards these sessions.

SAT's Week for Year 6 children – Week Commencing 14th May 2018

Our Year 6 children will be taking their SAT's tests this week and we will provide a breakfast club for them Monday – Thursday. A separate letter has been issued. If you are in school on any of the days please remember to be quiet in the reception area / Willow Room / Hall. Many thanks.

Head teacher: Mrs Hayley McGoldrick

Rags to Riches for Schools – Clothing Collection – Thursday 17th May 2018

Thank you for your kind donations for the last collection. We raised £18 for the school. We are holding another collection on Thursday 17th May. Please bring your bags to the staffroom on Tuesday 15th May or Wednesday 16th May. Rags to Riches will take adults and children's clothes, paired shoes/footwear, soft toys, bath and hand towels, belts and handbags, jewellery and accessories, bedding (not curtains, pillows or duvets). Please help us raise money for our school fund. Thank you.

After School Clubs

The Cheerleading club has already started this term each Monday. If you did not attend last term and would like to join this club please contact the office. We will issue a letter later this week for the remaining clubs we will offer for the rest of the academic year.

School App

Eschools have had a few problems with the school app following their recent upgrade. If the app is not working they recommend to delete the app and then reinstall it. Our school name is 'littledean'. The username is usually your first name.surname unless you have changed this. We are able to remind you of usernames and reset your password if you can't remember them, just contact the office. The Eschool app holds all text and email messages sent from the school in one area of your phone / laptop etc. Messages are sent via wifi rather than relying on a mobile signal, which we all know is a bit hit and miss in Littledean.

Parent Governor Election

We have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you are interesting in shaping the education for our children and have time to visit the school, read papers and attend one or two meetings per term please contact either Mrs Jones, Clerk to Governors or the School Office for more information. This is open to all parents of children who attend the school or pre-school. Thank you.

School Meals and Parent Pay

A reminder that the cost of a school meal has increased to £2.36 per day, £11.80 per week. Please continue to pay for meals through our online payment system www.parentpay.com. There is currently a glitch on the payment system which shows a debt of 6p per meal taken for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. Do not pay this, Parentpay will correct this shortly.

Pre-School

We have a few vacancies in our Pre-School for children who are 3 or 4. Our opening hours are now: Monday, Thursday and Friday - 8.45 – 2.45, and Wednesday 8.45 – 1.15. Tuesday closed all day.

If you are interested in your child attending our Pre-School, or would like to put your child's name on the waiting list for when they turn three please contact the office. Priority will be given to children on our waiting lists.

Vacancy for Handyman

We are currently looking for a replacement Handyman or woman who can help us with maintenance issues around the school. The job will include: painting, minor plumbing jobs, replacing light bulbs, general gardening/tidying outside areas etc. The position will be for 10 hours per month, working outside of school hours and will be subject to a clear DBS check. If you are interested or would like further information please contact Mrs McGoldrick or Mrs Worgan.

Diary Dates

Sunday 6 th May	Friends Dog Show – Littledean Community Centre from 12.00
Monday 7 th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
Thursday 10 th May	Chestnut Class Swimming
Week Commencing 14 th May 2018	Christian Aid Week
Wednesday 23 rd May	Friends Non Uniform Day - Fancy Dress for Bottles
Thursday 24 th May	Chestnut Class Swimming
Friday 25 th May	End of term 5
Monday 4 th June	Inset day – Staff only to attend
Tuesday 5 th June	Inset day – Staff only to attend

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Wednesday 6th June Start of term 6 for pupils

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