

# Littledean Church of England Primary School

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*People with time for Children*

7<sup>th</sup> November 2016

## Newsletter 4

Dear Parents,

### Poppy Appeal – Remembrance Day Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November

Once again we have poppies for sale in school. Year 6 children will visit classes during morning registration this week if you wish to donate towards a poppy.

### The Daily Mile

Our children took part in the online pupil survey recently and one of the outcomes was that they wanted help to increase their fitness. Following discussion we have decided to introduce the daily mile for all our pupils (and staff!) Maple Class have calculated that 17 laps around the front playground is 1 mile (1609 meters) and have already started to chart their progress. Children can walk, run or a bit of both. The aim is to improve fitness. As we intend to make this a part of everyday life it is essential that children are dressed appropriately for all weathers. It is now quite cold so suggest that a coat, hat, gloves and sensible shoes are worn into school each day.

Further information about the daily mile can be found on <http://thedailymile.co.uk/>

Thank you

### Science – X Factor Competition

Miss Franks has signed us up for this. It is a free online event where school students meet and interact with scientists. It's an X Factor-style competition between scientists, where students are the judges. Students challenge the scientists over fast-paced online text-based live **CHATs**. They **ASK** the scientists anything they want, and **VOTE** for their favourite scientist to win a prize of £500 to communicate their work with the public. The event will run from Monday 7th November until Friday 18th November 2016! Further details can be found on this website: <http://imascientist.org.uk/>

### Communication with parents

Good communication with parents is essential to the smooth running of the school. You may have noticed that letters sent out this term have also been emailed to parents where we have up to date email addresses. All letters are also available on the parent app (if you have downloaded it), on the school website, and in the folder outside the office door, and the oldest child per family is given a paper copy.

If you have not received an email with our letters drop an email to the school office – [admin@littledean.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@littledean.gloucs.sch.uk) - so that we can update our details. Thank you

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