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Loving one another, building each other up

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Dear Parents,

This week the children have been working hard in lessons and assessments, we are very proud of them all. We hope that they are enjoying being back in the school environment. If you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact us.

Next week is the last week of term. We break up at the normal times (see below) on Wednesday 31st March 2021. We return to school on Monday 19th April 2021. Please continue to follow the same procedures and timings as this term.

Once again we will not be able to carry out our usual Easter celebrations but we will be holding Easter activities that each class can take part in, and of course, we will hold our traditional Easter Service in school. Unfortunately this will be just for the children and in class bubbles.

Easter Holidays and Covid-19 infections

If you or your child have a confirmed case of Covid-19 during the school holiday please email head@littledean.gloucs.sch.uk or admin@littledean.gloucs.sch.uk. We are required to assist with the track and trace system and notify those that have been in contact with the infected person(s). The email addresses will be checked once a day and only Covid-19 messages will be dealt with. Thank you.

Dropping and collecting children

Please continue to follow the timings below for dropping and collecting children, remembering we are operating a 'drop and go' / 'pick- up and go' policy and ask that parents do not gather to chat in the playground or in Oak Way car park. Please remember to wear your face mask and keep a social distance from each other. Your help to minimise the Covid-19 risks are much appreciated.

Class	Start Time	Finish Time
Pre-School	8.45	2.45
Holly Leaves	Between 8.50 – 9.00	Between 3.05 – 3.15
Holly Berries	Between 8.50 – 9.00	Between 3.05 – 3.15
Chestnut	Between 8.40 – 8.50	Between 2.55 - 3.05
Maple	Between 8.40 – 8.50	Between 2.55 – 3.05

Illness / Absence from School

If your child is unwell before the start of the school day, please do not bring them into school. Please phone the school office and let a member of staff know exactly what symptoms your child is exhibiting, even if you do not suspect Covid-19.

If your child becomes ill during the school day, we will ask you to come and pick them up as soon as possible. We will request that you access a Covid-19 test and follow the government guidance [‘stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection’](#).

The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of any of the following:

a new continuous cough
a high temperature
a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness. However, if you have any of the symptoms above you must stay at home and arrange to have a test to see if you have COVID-19. Information on how to access a test can be found online at www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test.

School Council

We would like to thank and congratulate our school council who have been busy trying to raise funds for the school. Our Local Authority Performance Advisor, Mrs Teresa Cross, was so moved by their video presentation she has donated £1,000 towards our new play equipment and £1,000 toward new IT equipment. Well done School Council.

Request from Mrs Orchard

To make our outdoor area even more interesting for the children Mrs Orchard is asking for donations of cable reels and drainpipes / guttering. If you are able to donate any of these items please discuss with Mrs Orchard before bringing them into school. Thank you.

Labelling of Clothes

Thank you to those parents who have labelled clothes over the last week it really is making a difference. We ask that all uniform and coats are labelled so they can be returned to the right child. Thank you.

School Meals

Caterlink continue to provide us with packed lunches rather than hot meals at present. We hope that this can change in the near future.

As from Monday 19th April, the price of a meal will increase to £2.34 per day, £11.70 per week for those that wish to pay for a lunchtime meal.

Pre-School

We will have vacancies in our pre-school from September for children who are aged 3 or 4. Parents are able to use the Government grants of 15 or 30 hours funding, alternatively we are able to provide an invoice. Currently we plan to be open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 8.45 – 2.45. If you are interest please contact us for further information.

For those who are receive invoices for Pre-School sessions, as from 1st April 2021 our prices will increase to £4.35 per hour.

Holiday Requests

We are all looking forward to a lovely holiday away from home but, before you book, please remember that the Governments guidance remains very clear that we cannot authorise holiday requests, so any requests submitted will not be authorised.

Rags to Riches – Clothing Collection

Our next collection for good quality clothing/shoes and accessories has been booked for 25th May. More details to follow, please do not bring bags into school yet.

Term Dates

Term 4 Tuesday 23rd February 2021 – Wednesday 31st March 2021

Term 5 Monday 19th April 2021 – Friday 28th May 2021

Term 6 Tuesday 8th June 2021 – Wednesday 21st July 2021

Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May 2021

Inset day 4 Thursday 1st April 2021

Staff only to attend

Inset day 5 Monday 7th June 2021

Staff only to attend



Littledean Community Centre presents the Littledean Easter EGG-splore!!

The Easter Bunny is coming to Littledean!

He will be dropping eggs off all over the village and we need your help to find them!

Come to Littledean Community Centre between 10am & 3pm on Saturday 3rd April to collect your map!

Find all the eggs hidden round the village to spell out the winning word! All children under 12 win a chocolate egg!
All returned maps will be entered into a big draw to win a giant cuddly Easter bunny!!

This event is totally free of charge, but we will be running a raffle with amazing prizes so please bring some money for tickets! All the money made will go to The Friends of Littledean School and the continued maintenance of Littledean Community Centre.

This event is covid secure and would class as part of your daily exercise.

