

# Littledean Church of England Primary School

Church Street, Littledean, Gloucestershire, GL14 3NL

Telephone: 01594 822171

Fax: 01594 825436

Email: [admin@littledean.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@littledean.gloucs.sch.uk)

Website: [www.littledeanprimary.co.uk](http://www.littledeanprimary.co.uk)

Twitter: @littledeansch



*People with time for Children*

18<sup>th</sup> October 2019

## Newsletter 5

Dear Parents,

### School Communication

The school twitter account is now live and we are tweeting frequently. You can find us at @littledeansch.

Have you accessed your area of the school website and downloaded the App yet? If not please give it a go, if you can't remember your login details please contact the school office. Thank you.

### School Photographs

The children had their photos taken on Monday and proofs were sent home. Can all orders and payments be sent into school on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October so that we can send the school order off. Thank you.

### Jewellery in School

We have noticed that a number of children have been wearing jewellery. A reminder that children will be asked to remove items such as earrings, rings, watches etc. for PE/swimming to prevent any injuries (earrings in particular are prone to being torn from earlobes when contact is made). If ear piercings have occurred within the last 6 weeks, children will be asked to apply micropore tape. Thank you for helping us keep your children safe.

### Harvest Service

Parents, families, friends and neighbours are welcome to join us at St Ethelberts Church for our Harvest service on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 at 2.00 p.m. School will end as normal at 3.00 p.m. Please collect your children from the normal doors. Thank you.

We are also asking for donations for the Forest of Dean Food Bank, please see separate letter issued earlier this week or the school website.

### Bags to School

Thank you for your kind donations for our bags to school clothing collection. We made £86.85 for the school funds. Our next collection will be in February 2020.

### Flu Immunisations

These will take place on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019 for all children in years reception through to year 6. If you would like your child to receive the nasal vaccination and have not already returned the consent form please do before Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October. Further consent forms are available on the school website or from the school office.

### Clothing in School

We have a large amount of uniform in our lost property bin which we are unable to return to children because they are not named. If your child has lost an item of clothing please check our lost property bin which is located in the School Library – Thank you.

Head teacher: Mrs Hayley McGoldrick

We ask that all items of uniform, PE kit, bags and coats are **named** so that we can return items to the correct child if they lose them.

We suggest for all classes including pre-school that PE kit (trainers, shorts, t-shirt) are brought into school at the start of each term and kept in school in the cloakrooms.

Pre-School children will need a PE kit each day as their sessions will change weekly. Pre-School staff also request that wellies are brought into school so that they can play in the garden with the mud kitchen. Thank you.

We ask that children also bring a weather appropriate coat into school as we will go outside most days during lunch and break times.

### **Cauliflower Christmas Cards**

Once again the children will be designing a Christmas card and bring home their artwork for you to view. Should you wish to place an order please do so before Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November so that we can receive the printed cards in time for you to write them and post them. Thanks.

### **Secondary School Applications**

We have been asked to remind the Year 6 parents that the deadline for Secondary applications for 2020 is fast approaching and your application must be completed before 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019.

If no application is submitted then a place will be allocated at the closest school to the home address with space - this may not be the most local school, or the school that the parent and child would like.

Applications can be submitted online via the Gloucestershire County Council <<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-admissions/apply-for-a-secondary-school/>> website, or alternatively, a paper Common Application Form can be requested by phoning 01452 425407 or downloaded from the website.

### **Diary Dates**

Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Harvest Service at St Ethelberts 2.00 p.m.
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Immunisation Flu Programme for Years Reception – Year 6
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Inset day – Staff only to attend
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	8.45 a.m. Nearly new uniform sale – Willow room
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents Evening 4.00 – 7.00
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents Afternoon 1.00 – 4.00 – <i>Please note new date</i>
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	NSPCC Speak Out / Stay Safe
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Infant Performance Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Infant Performance Afternoon
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Infant Performance Evening
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School and Pre-School Pantomime at Roses Theatre
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Service at St Ethelberts Church
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> January	Young Voices Concert in Birmingham
Weds 22 <sup>nd</sup> April – Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Maple Class Residential Visit

### **Term Dates 2019/2020**

Term 1	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2019 – Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2019
Term 2	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November 2019 – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2019
Term 3	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2020 – Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
Term 4	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2020 – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2020
Term 5	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2020 – Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2020
Term 6	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2020 – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2020

Please note that the early May Day Bank Holiday has been changed from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Head teacher: Mrs Hayley McGoldrick