

# Littledean Church of England Primary School

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*Loving one another, building each other up*

29<sup>th</sup> November 2019

## Newsletter 7

Dear Parents,

### Operation Christmas Child – Shoe Box Appeal

Thank you for your kind donations, we collected 18 boxes this year.

### After School Clubs

Last dates for after school clubs this term are: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019 – Dance, Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019 – no clubs, Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019 – Young Voices. A new list of clubs will be issued for next term.

### Play Equipment Holly Leaves Class

Thank you for your patience whilst we have our new play equipment installed outside Holly Leaves Class. Unfortunately, this is taking much longer than estimated so we will continue to ask that Holly Leaves and Holly Berries Classes arrive and leave from the main entrance door in the rear playground.

### Data Collection Forms and Privacy Notices

If you did not attend a parents evening, please collect your Data Collection Form and Privacy Notice from the office to check and update your personal details. Thank you for helping us keep your personal data secure.

### School Meals

A reminder that the menus for hot school meals are issued to children on a Friday and we ask that they are completed and returned to school on a Monday morning during registration. If a meal has not been selected for your child they will be ordered the main meal which is item A on the menus. Thank you.

The Christmas Lunch Menu has been issued and will take place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. The children may wear a Christmas Jumper into school – other clothing should be school uniform – we ask for a donation of £1.00 towards our Wellfound Charity.

The menu is:

Roast Turkey with Chipolata Sausage, sage and onion stuffing and gravy

or

Chessy Sweet Potato and Parsnip Tart

All served with Herby Roast Potatoes, glazed carrots and garden pea medley

with

Gingerbread Biscuit/Orange and Ginger cake for pudding

The cost of a hot meal is currently £2.34 for those who are not entitled to free school meals or universal infant free school meals. There is good news though. As from 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 there is a new price of £2.32 per meal.

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### **Jewellery in School**

We have noticed that a number of children are still wearing jewellery. A reminder that children **must not wear** and 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.

### **Clothing in School and PE Kit**

Over the next few weeks our PE sessions for all classes will take place outside as the hall will be in use for our play practices.

Please ensure that children have warm clothing – ie tracksuit, leggings, sweatshirt to wear along with a pair of trainers. Thank you.

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

### **Pantomime – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2019**

A reminder that we have booked the Roses Theatre at Tewkesbury to watch the pantomime Aladdin. We ask for a contribution of £11.90 per child to cover the cost of the visit. We thank the Friends Association for subsidising this visit with a donation of £400, which goes a long way to covering the cost of transport.

We will be leaving school, after an early packed lunch, at approximately 12.15 and returning approximately 4.30 p.m. Further details to follow nearer the time.

Thank you if you have already made a payment through parent pay for this visit, if not please can you do this as soon as possible. If you have any difficulty with this please do not hesitate to contact us. Many thanks.

### **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.

We aim to stop paper copies of letters in January 2020. Further information to follow.

### **Christmas Service at St Ethelberts**

We will hold our usual carol service at St Ethelberts on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December starting at 1.00 p.m. Children will return to school and the school will close for the holidays at 2.00 p.m. We re-open on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 8.45 a.m.

### **Diary Dates**

Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Juniors Movie Night
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	NSPCC Speak Out / Stay Safe (no Rock Steady)
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Friends Christmas Fair 3.15 – 5.00
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Infant Performance Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Infant Performance 2.00 p.m.
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Infant Performance 6.00 p.m.
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Ipad Music Performance for Parents 9.30 a.m.
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Pre-School sing-a-long 2.15 p.m.
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch (Christmas Jumpers)
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Rocksteady Performance for Parents 9.30 a.m.
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School and Pre-School Pantomime at Roses Theatre
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Service St Ethelberts Church 1.00 p.m. School closes at 2.00 p.m.
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

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