

Newsletter 19 July 4th 2012

Help Daniel Find His Feet

Well what a response we have had from the article in our last newsletter. Thank you to all the children who have come up with ways of raising funds for Daniel. On July 17th we are holding a "funny feet" day. Children are asked to come into school wearing something very funny on their feet! This could include wellingtons, slippers, glittery shoes etc, just make sure that they can be worn in school safely and comfortably! In exchange for funny feet we are asking people to donate as generously as possible.

Staffing

Sadly we must say goodbye to a few members of staff here at Leckhampton in addition to Miss Buckland who as you know will be leaving us at the end of term.

Mrs Jones has worked with the school for many years, teaching as part of the Reception Class team. Mrs Jones has been most influential in taking art forward in the school and has been recently involved in the art panels which have just been unveiled.

Congratulations to Mrs Green who will be moving on to undertake her teacher training. We wish her well with this new stage of her career.

Following many years of service we must say goodbye to Mrs Davies, one of our Mid day supervisors who has seen many families through Leckhampton and helped hundreds of children to enjoy happy, safe playtimes.

All four members of staff have given the school a great deal during their time with us and shall be greatly missed by staff and children alike.

Should you wish to contribute to a leaving gift for a member of staff, please place your contribution in an envelope marked with the name of the member of staff at the school office.

The Governors of the school are delighted to announce that they have appointed Mr Carbin who joins our team as a temporary member of the teaching staff. There will be opportunities to meet Mr Carbin over the next few weeks and I am sure you will join me in welcoming him as part of the family of Leckhampton.

Informal Open Evening

A reminder that informal open evening will be held on Wednesday 11th July 2012 from 6.00 p.m. until 7.45 p.m. Please come along!!

Parent Pay

By way of clarification, if you have a credit balance at the end of this school year and your child will be returning in September, this credit balance will carry forward to the new school year. However, if your child will not be returning, then it is advisable to run this credit down, ask for this to be transferred to a sibling's account if relevant or request a repayment to your card.

It is important that there are no monies owing on your child's account as at 19th July 2012 and we would ask you to assist us in ensuring a smooth transition to next year, thank you.

Early Years Outdoor Learning Zone

We are delighted to announce that work will be commencing on our new outdoor learning zone for Reception and Key Stage 1. Tucked away at the bottom of the field between the trees, classes of children will be able to explore and investigate ammonite pebble pits, tunnels, make dens, play with a water wall, have a class campfire and sit together under a class gazebo in a natural environment.

Work will commence early next week. The plans are in the office if you'd like to know more. Why not take a look?



Helpers desperately needed for the School Fair on Saturday!!! If you can help in any way, please contact FOLPS at folps@leckhampton.gloucs.sch.uk

School Lunches A number of families are allowing their account with ParentPay to drift into a small amount of debt and this has been raised by Edwards and Ward. I appreciate that sometimes there are problems with payment via the website but if you are experiencing difficulties with this please let Mrs Evans know. Also, if you have problems with your internet connection, please feel free to come into school—the office staff will be happy for you to use one of their computers. For your information, you are able to set up an email reminder when your account balance reaches a certain level and I would encourage all parents to do this if it would help. With the end of term looming, I would also remind you that balances cannot be carried forward from July to the start of the new school year in September so would encourage you to monitor your account closely in order to avoid losing any credit balances, thank you.