



Leckhamptonbulletin

C of E Primary School



Dear Parents

As we start our new school year, we extend a warm welcome to the new children and parents who have joined the family of Leckhampton School. We hope that your association with the school is a long and happy one. We also think about our recent Year 6 leavers and hope that they are all settling into their new schools and enjoy the new challenges ahead of them.

I should also like to extend my thanks to the staff of the school for all their hard work over the summer holiday in preparing for the term ahead.

We will be saying goodbye to Mrs Blake on 21st September, as she has taken the brave decision to move on to a new challenge. Mrs Blake has been part of our school family for 24 years in total, as parent and member of staff and has given so much to the children and families of Leckhampton during the time she has been here. There are countless ways in which Mrs Blake has contributed to life here at Leckhampton and she will be greatly missed by all of the school community. I am sure you will want to join me in wishing her every happiness with this new chapter in her life.

Congratulations to Mrs Curtis who, following an intensive interview process, has been appointed as Assistant Headteacher (Acting). The governors were particularly impressed with her commitment and passion towards enabling every child to achieve success and to foster a love of learning. Mrs Curtis will continue with her current role as SENDCO, whilst extending her reach to other aspects of inclusion within the school.

Statutory Notice

Gloucestershire County Council have produced a Statutory Notice in relation to the proposed expansion of Leckhampton C of E Primary School. The County Council have placed a copy of this on our school gate and in other areas around the locality. Parents can find a copy of this on our school website under "About our School". In the document there is a link on the notice which will enable you find out more information on the proposal. Following the statutory notice period, which is four weeks, we understand that a final decision on the proposal will be made in early November.

General Points and Safety Notices

I should like to remind parents of some practical aspects of School life which will help to keep everyone safe and happy.

Morning drop off

Children are expected to arrive at School in the morning between 8.35 a.m. and 8.45 a.m. and should make their way to their classroom. I know there has been a little confusion regarding the Year 3 entrance, so I thought it would be best to clarify! All Year 3 children are welcome to use the entrance by the hall or to walk around to the rear doors if in Cherry or Chestnut Class.

Parents on School Site

In the interests of security, parents wishing to come onto the School site between 8.45 a.m. and 2.55 p.m. must report to the School Office (Pedestrian Gate is not to be used.) Please press the bell and announce your name and purpose for the visit and a member of staff will release the electronic lock.

Parents who are helping in School must sign the "Visitors book" and will be issued with a badge. All parent helpers must be DBS checked. If you are interested in helping in School, please visit the school office for a volunteer application form.

Parents whose children are "late" for School or wish to take their child to an appointment (having previously informed the school in writing) must report to the school office where you will be asked to record your child's entrance/exit from the School premises in a book.

Most importantly, only bona-fide visitors and parents wearing a badge are allowed in the School building during School hours. Staff will challenge anyone not wearing a badge on the School site. The only exception will be when teachers invite parents into their classroom to discuss their child's welfare.

ParentPay and School Lunches

Please could I remind parents that your ParentPay account must be in credit prior to your child ordering a school meal. If there is a genuine error, please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely
Sam Porter

Bonjour! Would your child like to join our after school French clubs? They are welcome to come long to try it - please register by emailing Anna-Kate on admin@clubs4kids.com. Clubs start w/c 17 September. Year 1 club is on Wednesdays and Year 2 clubs is on Thursdays. The cost is £6.80 (no cost if you decide not to join after the first lesson). We learn French through games, songs, fun activities, role-play and craft. The focus is on the spoken language, building your child's confidence in making conversation, asking and answering questions. A bientôt!