



Leckhamptonbulletin

C of E Primary School



Dear Parents

Well the end of term has arrived and what a busy time we have had. There have been several sporting and musical events which have been both exciting and entertaining. My grateful thanks must go to the staff who organise such events outside of the school day and for our families who offer their support and encouragement. Thank you to everyone who came to the Reception Welcome Service at St Peters. It was wonderful to see so many of you. Many thanks to Reverend Gary Grady for leading the service and for his thoughtful words. Thanks also to our Foundation Governors who organised tea and coffee for families at the end of the service.

For some time now we have been without a crossing patrol officer. We desperately need someone to take on this rewarding role here at Leckhampton and despite advertising, we have yet to find a candidate. If you feel you or anyone you know could take on this position, either full time or as a job share, we would like to hear from you. Please note that this is a paid role, rather than a volunteer role, which requires an application form with references, interview and necessary checks, training and induction.

Over the past weeks we have been developing our new Communications Policy which is now available on our website. This Policy is designed to outline expectations and forms of communication used by the school and all stakeholders. The Policy has been shared with staff who understand their roles and responsibilities and I would also ask that parents take the time to read the policy so they understand what they can expect from the school and how you can best support us.

You will have seen that our first parent feedback meeting is taking place on 7th November and the theme is anti-bullying. Please do send an email to the school office if you would like to come along.

As the colder months will soon be upon us, please could I remind you of the following information regarding school closure.

Where the school needs to close or may require a delayed start due to adverse weather conditions e.g. snow, please could I remind parents that the Gloucestershire Closed School website is the official means by which this information is communicated.

<http://ww3.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closedschools/>

Secondly, please listen to Radio Gloucestershire/ Heart FM as regular updates are shared with listeners. We will of course post an announcement on our text messaging service as an additional means of communication, however parents should always refer to the Gloucestershire website as the quickest source of information.

A decision to close the school will be made by 7.30 am.

On occasions, it may be necessary to close the school early if the weather conditions rapidly deteriorate during the morning. Should an early closure be necessary, we will inform parents initially via the text messaging service and also through the Gloucestershire Closed School website. During adverse weather conditions, please ensure that you are able to receive texts throughout the day – thank you. We will also email all parents.

Leckhampton will always endeavour to open where possible, however the safety of the children and staff is the priority when making this decision.

Have a wonderful half term break.

Best wishes

Sam Porter

Parents Evenings

12th November 4.30 p.m. – 7.00 p.m. and 14th November 3.30 p.m. – 6.00 p.m.

Bookings will open online from 6.00 a.m. on 29th October 2019. Please make one appointment only per pupil, thank you. If for personal reasons you require a separate appointment then please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance, thank you.

Instructions as to how to log onto <https://lpsonline.parentseveningsystem.co.uk> can be found on our website under Parents/Letters. Please make sure that you use your child's **legal forename** not their preferred forename.

Individual and Sibling Photographs will be taken on Thursday 14th November 2019. All children will be photographed individually regardless of whether you have requested a sibling group; you are under no obligation to purchase this if you do not wish to. If you would like a sibling photo please remember to book this via the ParentPay website, thank you.

The NHS Flu Immunisation Team will be in school on 21st and 22nd November. Please remember to send back your consent form if you would like your child to receive the vaccine.

British Legion Poppy Appeal

This year, Year 4 children will be selling poppies and a few extra items provided by the British Legion. There will be 3 opportunities for children to buy from a stall. These will be on the following days:-

Tuesday 5th November at lunchtime on the playground

Wednesday 6th November after school near the hall entrance

Thursday 7th November at lunchtime on the playground.

If you would like your child to buy something from the stall, please send them with a named envelope or wallet. All of the items ask for a donation, however there is a suggested amount for merchandise. We currently have a limited stock so would ask that each child purchases a maximum of one poppy and one other item (if required) initially. We have requested more items but are not sure when they will arrive. Please see the poster below with suggested amounts, you are of course under no obligation to buy items. Thank you



Zip pull - **Suggested** Donation: 50p



Reflector - **Suggested** Donation: 50p



Silicon wristband - **Suggested** Donation: £1.00



Snap band - **Suggested** Donation: £1.50





LIGHT UP
THE DARK!

6PM 31ST OCTOBER

Alternative Halloween
service for kids with
Firebreathing
Fireworks display
& Hot Dogs
Come in fancy dress
if you dare!

St Philip & St James Church, off the Bath Rd. GL50 2DL
organised by the South Cheltenham team of Churches



Lexus of Cheltenham have kindly sponsored many FoLPS Events this year. They would like to invite you down to view their selection of premium cars and talk about the range over refreshments.'



FoLPS News and Events:

Bag2School: Friday 15th November. Bags will be coming home by the end of this week. There are spare bags kept at the School Office or in the school shop and you can also use your own bag. Please see poster in FoLPS display board for details of what can be donated.

Christmas Fair: Friday 6th December 5.30-7.30pm. We are looking for donations for the raffle and offers of help to run the events on the evening. please email chair@folps.com if you can help.
"If we all do a little we can make a big difference"

Our next committee meeting is Wednesday 20th November at The Wheatsheaf 7.30-9.00pm

Thank you for your help,

Kind regards
Toni and Mandy
Joint chair of FoLPS PTA