



Dear Parents

Firstly, we would like to give a warm welcome to the families that have joined our school family this term. There has been a wonderful feeling around the school over the last two weeks and we have seen so many acts of kindness from children already as they help their younger peers settle in.

General Points and Safety Notices

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

Parents on School Site

In the interests of security, parents wishing to come onto the School site must report to the School Office.

Parents whose children are "late" for School or wish to take their child to an appointment (having previously told the class teacher) must report to the office staff who will ask parents to record their child's entrance/exit from the School premises.

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.

General Matters

Please could we ask adults and children to walk on the tarmac footpath keeping to the left hand side when on school site. Please do not walk on the grass to reach the playground. Children must not swing on the School metal gate or School fences for their own safety.

Please could we remind parents that in the interests of our children's safety, cars should not be driven on the pavement, parked on yellow lines or block neighbours' entrances. Traffic Wardens have recently reported their concerns about illegal parking around Schools and will be making random checks.

Please be reminded that no dogs should be on-site (unless they are an Assistance Dog).

Please ensure that your child is closely supervised at the end of the School day.

Children's belongings

The school site is looking tidy and organised and we are hoping to keep it this way. There will be times when children misplace their belongings but, **as long as they are clearly labelled**, staff will return items to children as soon as possible. Some unnamed items are placed in our Lost Property unit

which is behind Year 1, please do check there for any misplaced items. Unfortunately, at the end of each half-term the items not claimed will be placed in a clothing bank.

We should like to thank you in anticipation of your support in these matters. Due to the large number of pupils we have on roll, it is essential that we work together to ensure the safety of our children and to support the smooth running of the school.

ParentPay and School Lunches

Please could we 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.

Further Information

Curriculum Overviews

On our school website, you will find all of our curriculum documents. Parents will also receive an email with a half-termly curriculum overview today. On the overview, you will see, at-a-glance, what your child will be learning about this half-term. These overviews have been emailed out today.

School Worship

Each week, during Phase Worship, children are invited to bring in any certificates, medals or awards that they have received from clubs outside of school. Please see below the days of each Phase Worship:

<i>Tuesdays</i>	<i>Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Years 3 and 4</i>
<i>Wednesdays</i>	<i>Years 5 and 6</i>

Uniform

We are delighted to see the children dressed so smartly for the new school year. Please ensure that children are wearing black shoes and dark green jumpers or cardigans – thank you.

Reminder: FOLPS School Shop is open in The Studio every Friday from 3.15pm for second-hand uniform.



Calendar dates

Please check the school website calendar for more upcoming events and term dates:

[Upcoming events - Leckhampton Primary School](#)

Below are some key dates for your diaries:

- *Tuesday 19th September 2023 (7pm to 8.30pm): Reception Parents' Welcome Meeting*
- *Wednesday 20th September 2023 (8.35am to 9.45am): SEND Coffee Morning (an opportunity for parents of children with additional needs to meet with Miss Porter and Mrs Pinless)*
- *Week beginning Monday 25th September 2023: Sustran's Cycle to School Week (an opportunity for families to consider cycling to school, if they do not already). More information to follow.*

Class Worship - Each class will lead a Worship on a Thursday morning this academic year. If it is your child's class leading Worship, please walk through the staff car park and wait at the hall doors for a 9.10am start. Dates to follow. We know from feedback how important it is for families to participate in this very special part of the day. In order for us to continue sharing this important part of School life with families, we do ask that the following requests are supported – thank you.

- *Photographs and recordings should not be taken during the Act of Worship. However, you are most welcome to take a group photo at the end of the Worship.*
- *Please do not bring hot drinks into the school hall.*
- *Please could parents wait quietly prior to Worship and silently as the children enter the hall; this helps children to focus on the value of the term as they listen to the music chosen by the class.*

Opportunities to meet with your child's teacher(s): We will run Open Classrooms again this year, this is an opportunity for parents to come in to the classroom to see children's work. These will take place each month, except for when there are Parents' Evenings scheduled.

Please find the dates below:

- Friday 22nd September 2023: **Open Classrooms**
- Tuesday 17th and Thursday 19th October 2023: **Parents' Evenings**
- Tuesday 14th November 2023: **Open Classrooms**
- Monday 11th December 2023: **Open Classrooms**
- Wednesday 17th January 2024: **Open Classrooms**
- Friday 2nd February 2024: **Open Classrooms**
- Tuesday 12th and Thursday 14th March 2024: **Parents' Evenings**
- Thursday 18th April 2024: **Open Classrooms**
- Wednesday 8th May 2024: **Open Classrooms**
- Tuesday 11th June 2024: **Open Classrooms**
- Thursday 11th July 2024: **Informal Open Evening**

We been sent the below information about upcoming webinars on a range of subjects aimed at parents. Please sign up if you are interested.

FACE THE NEW TERM!



FREE SESSION

Are they getting a good night?
insomnia, screens & energy drinks
Book Now - facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Thursday
14th Sep
18:30 - 20:30



Cannabis Awareness

Cannabis, how much do you know? what are the risks? Increase your knowledge and awareness of the issues.

Thursday
21st Sep
18:30 - 20:30



Anxiety Explained

Whether it is your anxiety or your children's, what exactly is it and how do we manage it?

Thursday
28th Sep
18:30 - 20:30



Supporting a Child with ADHD

interactive session explaining what ADHD is and offering a range of interventions that can make lasting differences.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Believe You Can Kids Active Club

At "Believe you Can" we use a range of sports, activities and physical exercise to get fitter, faster and stronger whilst building a strong sense of belief in what we can achieve. This isn't your usual extra-curricular club!

Whilst having lots of fun and getting very sweaty, we take the time to build confidence, resilience and an understanding that sport and exercise really is for everyone! If your child is in Year 3 or 4 and would like to join our fantastic team each Monday 3.20 – 4.20pm here at Leckhampton, please sign up by following the link below.

<https://gymcatch.com/app/provider/6424>

Claire

Claire Thomas

"Believe You Can Active Kids"

Families Gloucestershire Magazine

Here is the [link](#) to the next issue of ***Families Gloucestershire Magazine Sep/Oct 2023***

Our **September/October 2023** issue is loaded with useful information for local parents including:

- Free Halloween Activity Pack
- Making the most of Parents' Evenings
- Best new adventure books for kids
- How can AI support dyslexia?
- Celebrating different learning styles
- Phonics resources to assist with reading
- Fun role play ideas for kids
- Autumn outside activities
- Top family friendly museums
- and loads more.....