



Leckhamptonbulletin

C of E Primary School

Week
ending 27th
October
2023

Dear Parents

Well the end of term has arrived and what a busy time we have had. 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.

For several years 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.

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 and Calss Dojo, 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

Year 6 Bikeability

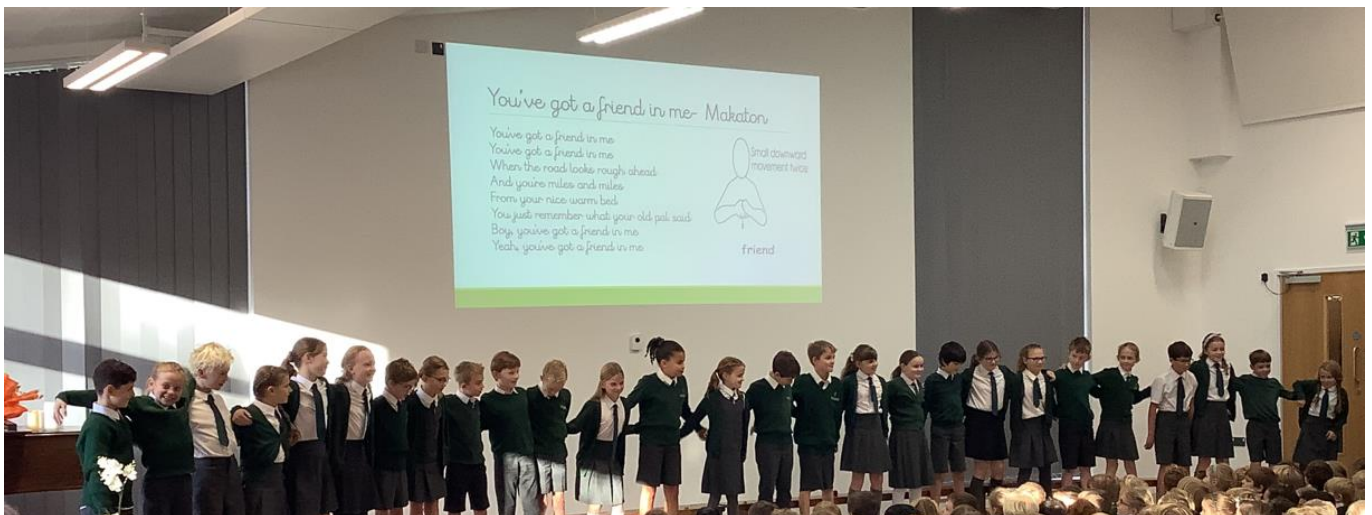
We are delighted that our Year 6 pupils have now completed their Bikeability courses. The children grew in confidence throughout the week and cycled safely on the roads of Cheltenham. Thank you to parents for your support with bringing in bicycles and helmets.



"I really enjoyed Bikeability last week because it was an opportunity to grow in confidence. My favourite part was learning how to ride my bike safely on the local roads." Jessie (Y6).

Class Worship

Over the last two weeks, we have seen Class Worship from Alder Class and Rowan Class. Alder Class performed 'Treat People With Kindness' by Harry Styles; they learnt the lyrics and actions. Rowan Class explained what Kindness means to them and learnt a song using Makaton.



Please check our school calendar for further Class Worship dates.

Extra-curricular Clubs

Teacher-led and external clubs will resume after half-term. Unfortunately, there will be **no teacher-led clubs on Tuesday 7th November (after-school)** as the teaching staff have a twilight training session. This will affect Tag Rugby, Cartoon, Chess and Netball. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

Cross-country Club at 7.50am and Choir at lunchtime will still go ahead as planned on this day.

Calendar dates

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

[Upcoming events - Leckhampton Primary School](#)

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

We will once again be supporting the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal by selling poppies and small items during the school day starting immediately after half term. Poppies are available for a donation of your choice; other small items are available for £1.00 each. Year 4 pupils will visit the classes during the school day to give the children the opportunity to buy if they wish. This is of course optional and there is no obligation to make a purchase.



A reminder that Tempest Photographers will be in school on Thursday 9th November 2023 to take individual and sibling group photographs. All children will be photographed individually and with siblings, if they have them but please do not feel obliged to purchase all photographs. Unfortunately, we are unable to include pre school children in this session.

The new Caterlink menu is attached to this email and also available on our website. If your child requires a special dietary menu, Mrs Evans will be sending these home individually.

Prospective Parent Tours

We are holding two more tours for families with children who are starting school in September 2024. The dates are:

Tuesday 7th November 2023 at 9.30am

Wednesday 15th November 2023 at 9.30am

Please contact admissions@leckhampton.gloucs.sch.uk to book onto a tour.

APPLE DAY



PILLEY BRIDGE COMMUNITY ORCHARD

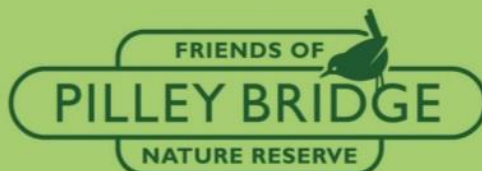
SUNDAY 29TH OCTOBER

2.00 – 4.00pm

Come and celebrate APPLE DAY at Pilley Bridge Community Orchard,
off Mead Road, Cheltenham.

Childrens' traditional games, the Music Man
'Railway Rides' for young children, family scavenger hunt,
refreshments and homemade cakes (half price if you bring your own mug).

Fruitfully organised by



www.pilleybridge.org.uk

