



Leckhamptonbulletin

C of E Primary School

Friday 2nd
February
2024

Dear Parents,

It has been an exciting few weeks in school since our last bulletin. One of the highlights of this week was our House Cross Country event which took place on Wednesday. Every pupil in the school was invited to take part in a run around the school field which saw even our most experienced runners challenging themselves.



This week, you will have received a Mid-Year Report for your child. We would welcome any parental feedback about the introduction of this new report.

Kind regards,
The Leckhampton Team

Upcoming dates:

Friday 9th February: Last day of Spring Term 1

Monday 19th February: First day of Spring Term 2

Thursday 22nd February 8.35am: Inclusion Coffee Morning with Mrs Pinless

Thinking Day for Beavers, Cubs, Squirrels, Rainbows, Brownies and Guides

Thursday 22nd February is the birthday of Lord Baden Powell and his wife, Olave (founders of the Scout and Guide movements). On this day, children who attend one of these clubs are welcome to wear their club uniform to school.

Children's Snacks

Our pupils in Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 receive a fresh fruit snack each day as part of the Government's fruit and vegetables for schools scheme. Our pupils in Years 3 – 6 are welcome to bring in their own healthy snack to eat at morning playtime.

Please may we remind families that the snack should be fresh fruit or a healthy cereal bar or fruit-based product. The children should not bring sweets, chocolate or crisps to eat at this time but may have these in their lunchbox if they form part of a balanced packed lunch.

Please could we also ask that any snack pots that are sent in are clearly labelled with children's names.

Appeal for a small working party to help develop our Ows, Wows & Nows Garden

In recent months, we have sent out a few pleas for help from parents for physical jobs. We have also been moved by how kind and supportive our parent body are when we have a task to do and need a few more pairs of hands.

Next week, **on Friday 9th February at 10am**, we are hoping to form a small working party to help us to lay a few bags of gravel on the children's Ows, Wows & Nows Garden. If you would like to help and have a shovel, please could you let the school office know. We hope to get this space open again for the children to use as soon as possible.

Many thanks. 😊



Class Worships

Last week, Pine class led their Worship for parents and told us the story of The Hundred Dresses. This powerful tale of a Polish child in America during World War Two helped us to further develop our understanding of Forgiveness.



Yesterday, Hornbeam class showed us how important it is to show encouragement to others. The children delivered their assembly through poetry and actions. We saw cheer-leaders, piano playing and Olympic events taking place.

Well done to both classes.

Wraparound Childcare Questionnaire for Parents

[Wraparound Childcare Programme January 2024 - Parent/Carer Questionnaire | Have Your Say Gloucestershire \(engagementhq.com\)](#)

You may be aware that the government are aiming to ensure that all local authorities and schools have adequate wrap around options from September 2024 onwards. While schools await further guidance on the finer detail, leadership teams and governing bodies of infant and junior schools are keen to be proactive in finding out about the need for childcare places that parents pay for.

Whether or not you require additional places for childcare based within our school community, we ask that everyone completes this short survey below, to support future decision making in the area of childcare provision in our community, by **6pm on Friday 23rd February 2024**. We only need one survey return per family please.

Neurodiversity Celebration Week

Next half-term, one of our whole-school themes for Worship is Diversity. As part of this theme, we will be exploring with the children what it means to be neurodiverse. Mrs Pinless would like to share the following link with parents which provides access to a variety of webinars and Q&A sessions with professionals on a range of topics in this field:

[2024 Events Schedule | Neurodiversity Celebration Week \(neurodiversityweek.com\)](https://neurodiversityweek.com)

Neurodiversity Celebration Week 2024 Events

Monday 18	Tuesday 19	Wednesday 20	Thursday 21	Friday 22
09:30 - 10:30 An Introduction to Neurodiversity	08:00 - 08:45 Neurodiversity at Work Q&A: Ask the Experts	08:00 - 08:45 Neurodiversity at Work Q&A: Ask the Experts	08:00 - 08:45 Neurodiversity at Work Q&A: Ask the Experts	08:00 - 08:45 Neurodiversity at Work Q&A: Ask the Experts
11:30 - 13:00 Neuro-inclusive Language & Communications	09:30 - 11:00 Event Topic Coming Soon!	9:30 - 11:00 Neurodivergent & LGBTQIA+: The 'Double Rainbow' Intersection	9:30 - 11:00 Neurodiversity for HR Professionals	9:30 - 11:00 Neurodiversity: Understanding Alternative Education Provision
13:30 - 15:00 Neurodiversity: We Don't All Fit into One Box!	12:00 - 13:30 The Benefits of Neurodiversity in the Workplace	12:00 - 13:30 Connecting Classrooms to Careers: Neuro-inclusive Tech for Future Leaders	12:00 - 13:30 Late Discovered Autism & Menopause	12:00 - 13:30 The Experiences of Neurodivergent Women & Girls
15:30 - 17:00 Neurodiversity in Higher & Further Education	14:30 - 16:00 Creating a Neuro-inclusive Classroom	14:30 - 16:00 Neurodivergence isn't a Mental Health Problem	14:30 - 16:00 Empowering Yourself as a Neurodivergent Woman in the Workplace	14:30 - 16:00 Global Perspectives: Neurodiversity around the World
 Neurodiversity Celebration Week 18 - 24 March, 2024	16:30 - 18:00 Neurodiversity: Fuelling Creative Minds	16:30 - 18:00 Understanding Neurodiversity as a Family	18:30 - 20:00 Neurodiversity for Parents & Carers	16:30 - 18:00 Good Practice for Neurodiversity Professionals

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LOCATIONS

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British Science Week

Do you have a Science related job? Do you work in medicine, pharmaceuticals, Earth sciences, dentistry, conservation, engineering, technology, botany, animal-care or any other wonderful area of Science?

During Leckhampton Primary's British Science Week (11th – 15th March), we are asking parents to come in and talk to their child's class about their job. We are calling this 'Meet a Scientist'.

How did you get into that line of work? What did you study? What does a typical day look like? Which bits are the easiest/ hardest? How do you use Science in your work? (The children will, no doubt, have lots of questions for you too!)

If you would be willing to come in for 30 minutes at some point during that week and talk to your child's class about your work, please get in touch with their class-teacher to arrange a suitable time and date.

If you have any questions or suggestions, feel free to contact me via the school email address.

With your help, we are shaping tomorrow's scientists!

Thank you for your support.
Mrs Connolley
Science Lead