



Loving one another, building each other up

Littledean C of E Primary School Newsletter 9

8th November 2024

Dear Parents,

Scholastic Book Club

Our Scholastic Book Shop for the Autumn collection of books is now open. If you would like to place an order please order online before 13th November 2024. Books will be sent to school and we will let you know when they have arrived. All orders will earn free books for the school.



<https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/littledean-primary/digital-book-club>

Operation Christmas Child – Shoe Box Appeal

Thank you for your kind donations, if you would like to participate in the Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Appeal can you send your shoebox to school before Wednesday 13th November. Thank you.

Alternatively a shoe box can be donated by visiting www.shoeboxworld.co.uk.



Parental Consultations Appointments

Appointment letters were sent out to parents earlier this week for parental consultations taking place on Tuesday 12th November and Wednesday 13th November. If you have not received a letter and would like an appointment, please email, admin@littledean.gloucs.sch.uk or ring the school office on 01594 822171.

Holly Berries Class

Holly Berries Class have been learning to recite the poem Feasts by Shirley Hughes by using a poem map to help us.

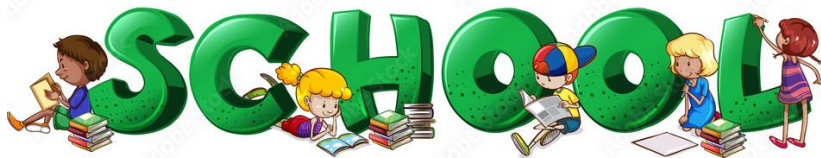


New to Reception - September 2025

Information packs will be sent out shortly by Gloucestershire County Council to all families that have a child due to start school in September 2025. (Child will be aged 4 on or before 31/8/2025)

We would like to invite parents to visit the school, to meet the staff, and see the classes in action. If you would like to visit please contact the school office on 01594 822171 or email admin@littledean.gloucs.sch.uk to arrange an appointment.

The closing date for applications is 17th January 2025.



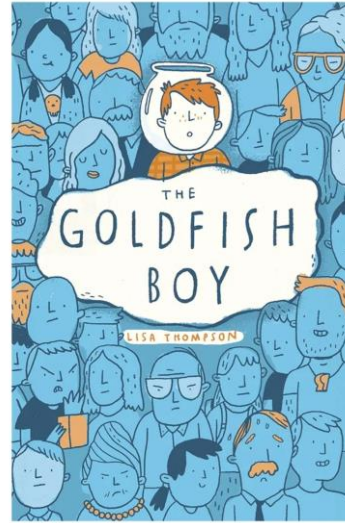
Christian Value – Term 2

Our Christian Value for life this term is
Truthfulness



Maple Class

Maple Class started their new class reader this week, Goldfish Boy by Lisa Thompson. This is a story about finding friendship when you're lonely - and hope when all you feel is fear.



Caterlink – Pupil Survey

We have been asked to share the following with you:

We are carrying out our annual pupil survey to assist us in improving our catering service to our customers and we would value the opportunity to survey the pupils at your school.

We will provide feedback to schools whose pupils complete the survey once results have been analysed. Many thanks in advance. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RLKQLHJ>

Scan the QR code



We would ask that all responses are completed by 30th November.



Toys and Teddies in School

A reminder that children should not be bringing in toys and teddies into school unless they have permission to do so. They can be distracting in class and cause arguments between friends.

Many thanks for your co-operation

Children in Need – Friday 15th November 2024

We will take part in children in need activities on Friday 15th November and ask that children come to school in non – uniform. We are aware that we have asked for a lot of donations from parents over the last few weeks so this is not a funding raising event. However if you wish to make a donation please do so through www.parentpay.com, please do not send cash into school. Thank you

Friends Christmas Fair and Non Uniform Days

Thank you for your kind donations of jingle jars today. Our next non-uniform day for the Friends Christmas Fair will be Friday 22nd November in return for Bottles and Chocolates

To make the Fair successful the Friends need volunteers to help either before the day, on the day setting up, running stalls, or helping to clear away. All money raised goes to the school.

Also we will be asking for donation of cakes for our refreshment stall on Friday 29th November.



Term Dates

These are also available on our website

2024 / 2025 –

Term 2 Monday 4th November 2024 – Friday 20th December 2024

Term 3 Monday 6th January 2025 – Friday 14th February 2025

Term 4 Monday 24th February 2025 – Friday 11th April 2025

Term 5 Monday 28th April 2025 – Friday 23rd May 2025

Term 6 Monday 2nd June 2025 – Monday 21st July 2025

INSET Day 3 20th December 2024

INSET Day 4 11th April 2025

INSET Day 5 21st July 2025

Holiday Requests

Please remember that the Governments guidance remains very clear that we cannot authorise holiday requests in term time unless there are exceptional circumstance. A Request for Leave of Absence form can be found on the school website at the following link or from the school office:

https://www.littledeanprimary.co.uk/website/attendance_at_school/169684

You may be issued with a penalty notice for taking your child out of school during term time. Please note that a penalty is issued to each parent for each child taken out of school. A Penalty Notice is a fine of £80 if paid within the first 21 days which increases to £160 if paid between 21 and 28 days. Thereafter, if the penalty remains unpaid this may lead to prosecution through the Magistrates' Court.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 12 th November	Parental Consultations
Wednesday 13 th November	Parental Consultations
Friday 15 th November	Children in Need
Wednesday 20 th November	Full Governing Board Meeting
Friday 22 nd November	Friends Non Uniform Day
Thursday 28 th November	Visit from Bishop Robert
Friday 29 th November	Friends 'Santa's Christmas Boots' Fair
Wednesday 4 th December	Governors Learning Walk
Tuesday 10 th December	Holly Berries Christmas Performance – afternoon
Wednesday 11 th December	Holly Berries Christmas Performance - evening
Friday 13 th December	Whole School visit to Roses Theatre Tewkesbury
Wednesday 18 th December	Christmas Lunch / Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 19 th December	Christmas Service at St Ethelbert's Church
Wednesday 15 th January	Young Voice Concert – Birmingham
w/c Monday 12 th May	Year 6 SAT's