



*Loving one another, building each other up*

# Littledean C of E Primary School Newsletter 4

27<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Dear Parents,

## School Photographs

The photographer took some beautiful photographs of the children, packs were sent home with the children last week.

Please place your orders online by Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October so that they can be delivered towards the end of October. Thank you



## School Census Day – Hot School Meals – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October is the national schools census day. School funding for the next financial year (April – March) is based on number of children registered at school on this day, also numbers who are on the SEND register, free school meals register and even those who eat a school meal on this day. So as to maximise the amount of funding we can receive we will hold a special meal on the Thursday and encourage everyone to try a hot school meal.

### ***Thursday's Menu will be:***

**Beef Burger in a Bun or  
Vegan Burger in a Bun  
with Chips, Peas and Beans**

**Vanilla Shortbread, fresh fruit or  
yogurt for pudding**



The weekly menu slips will reflect these changes. Please ensure menu slips are handed in during registration on a Monday morning. A hot meal costs £2.71 daily, (Pre-school £2.72 daily) and should be paid for in advance through our online payment system [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com). Those children who are in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 are entitled to a free meal under the Universal infant free school meal scheme, as are those entitled to free school meals.

## Rags 2 Riches 4 Schools - Clothing Collection 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024



Do you have clothes in your wardrobe that you no longer wear, maybe last year's fashions, or that buy that was too good to leave but it's not really you after all?

Please help us fundraise by donating your good quality unwanted, re-useable (clean, dry and wearable) clothes and accessories (please pair and tie shoes together)

Your donations become affordable clothing in other countries so please do not send poor quality, dirty or wet items, and no duvets, pillows, curtains, books, CDs or bric-a-brac.

STOP and THINK - is it something you'd wear out and about yourself or pass to a friend? If not, no-one else will want to buy and wear it either, so unfortunately it's not reusable and can't go in the bag.

Even if it's only one t-shirt please bring it in, as it will all help our school. If you can involve family, friends and neighbours please do.

Please bring bags to school on the morning of Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October and leave undercover by the rear entrance door

## Flu Immunisation – Consent

Earlier this week we sent an email with details of how to consent for your child to receive the nasal flu immunisation. This will take place on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November, first day back after half term.

Consent is now through an online form only:

<https://www.ghcimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>, Our Unique Code: GC115631

We ask that you complete the forms as soon as possible. Thank you

As the hall will be in use all day we will require the children to have a packed lunch that day. These can be ordered through Caterlink if needed

  
**Gloucestershire Health and Care**  
NHS Foundation Trust

## Holly Berries Class

Holly Berries had a great time at forest schools this week. They particularly enjoyed creating a massive muddy puddle for jumping in. It was great to see them taking turns and having fun. It is always helpful for everyone to bring spare trousers and socks as some children had boots full of water!

Any donations of hot chocolate or biscuits will be greatly appreciated.

Also any donations of old clothes age 3-6 would be greatly appreciated. We are particularly low on joggers/leggings and socks. We regularly use these when children have got wet at forest schools or have accidents. If children come home in school clothes, please return these washed. Thank you.



## Term Dates

These are also available on our website

### 2024 / 2025 –

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| <b>Term 1</b> | Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2024 – Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2024 |
| <b>Term 2</b> | Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024 |
| <b>Term 3</b> | Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025 – Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2025  |
| <b>Term 4</b> | Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2025 – Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> April 2025   |
| <b>Term 5</b> | Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> April 2025 – Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025        |
| <b>Term 6</b> | Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025 – Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2025         |

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| <b>INSET Day</b> | <b>3</b> | 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024 |
| <b>INSET Day</b> | <b>4</b> | 11 <sup>th</sup> April 2025    |
| <b>INSET Day</b> | <b>5</b> | 21 <sup>st</sup> 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://littledean.eschools.co.uk/cms\\_manage/edit\\_page/169684](https://littledean.eschools.co.uk/cms_manage/edit_page/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

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| Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October     | Maple Class visit to Robinswood Hill                   |
| Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October    | Rags to Riches Clothing Collection                     |
| Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October    | School Census – Special Meal                           |
| Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October   | Full Governing Board Meeting                           |
| Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October    | Friends Meeting 7.00 p.m. Littledean Guest House Hotel |
| Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October  | Leadership Governors Meeting                           |
| Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November     | Flu Immunisation – Packed lunches required             |
| Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November  | Heights and Weights for Year 6 and Reception           |
| Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November   | Parental Consultations                                 |
| Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November | Parental Consultations                                 |
| Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November | Full Governing Board Meeting                           |
| Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> November  | Visit from Bishop Robert                               |
| Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December    | Whole School visit to Roses Theatre Tewkesbury         |
| Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December | Christmas Lunch / Christmas Jumper Day                 |