NEWSLETTER

The Littletons School - July 2024

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 2nd September
Staff training day (no children)

Tuesday 3rd September
Staff training day (no children)

Wednesday 4th September
First day of school for the children

Thursday 10th October
Flu immunisation team in school

Friday 25th October
Last day of half term

Monday 4th November
Staff training day (no children)

Tuesday 5th November
Children return to school



Headteacher's Message

Another year is finally over! Children and staff are certainly ready for a well-deserved break so that they can recover and recharge. It has been an incredibly busy half term, with lots of lovely events going on, as you will see in the pictures later in the newsletter.

When I was in the Iguanas class this week, they asked how long I had been at The Littletons. It is only 2 years, but it feels like I have been here much longer, which I think is a good sign! It is a wonderful school, with such a great sense of community.

I would like to finish, on behalf of all of the families at The Littletons, with a massive thank you to all of the staff for your hard work and care this year. As always, you have been amazing.

Have a lovely summer holiday, stay safe and we'll see you all in September.

Our Vision

Just as God has created every individual with unique talents and skills, our school community provides a nurturing and inclusive environment, where everyone is encouraged to explore their individual creativity and to confidently use their talents in order to achieve their God given potential and to make the world a better place.

Goodbye

We say a final goodbye to Mrs Dale and Miss Dodd. Both have contributed so much to The Littletons over the last few years, as part of our wonderful staff team.

Mrs Dale, who has been at our school for 8 years, is relocating to Wales. We wish her 'hwyl fawr a phob lwc'!

Miss Dodd, who started with us 3 years ago, is leaving teaching to explore other ventures.

We will miss you both and behalf of everyone in The Littletons community, we wish you luck in your new adventures. I'm sure you will both be amazing!

Staffing Updates

We have two new teachers starting in September; Mrs Lisa Brotherton and Mrs Lisa Farmer. We also have two new teaching assistants starting with us; Mrs Alice Downey and Ms Vanessa Dyers.

All of our new staff bring a wealth of experience working in a range of schools. We look forward to welcoming them aboard!

Seesaw

If you haven't done so already, please complete the permission form for Seesaw so that we can set up each child with a secure online account ready for September. This will be used to record aspects of your child's learning, especially in more practical subjects. We will only use the system internally for our own recording and assessment purposes. For more details and to complete the permission form, please follow the link below:

https://forms.office.com/e/tCQbU8EbEp

Staff Training Days 2024/25

Monday 2nd September
Tuesday 3rd September
Monday 4th November
Monday 2nd June
Monday 21st July

Children will not be in school on these dates as it is staff training.

Attendance

Our school attendance for the year is 95.6%, which is below our target of 96%.

Well done to **Cobras** class for having the highest attendance for this half term with **96.9%**.

The class with the highest attendance for this whole year is:

Chameleons with 96.5%

Summer and after-school care

If you require regular or one-off child care throughout the holidays, please find below the details of two Ofsted registered childminders who are based in the local area. Please contact them directly to enquire about availability.
Both of these childminders also offer limited after-school provision and pick up from The Littletons at the end of the school day. If this is something you require for next year, you can contact them to discuss your requirements.

Rhiannon Warbrick
Summer holiday availability: 29th-31st July and 7th-30th August
07891867131
Tarn.163@hotmail.com

Tania Rose
Summer holiday availability: Tuesdays-Fridays throughout the holidays
07702230277

Playground Equipment

We have purchased a new shed for playground equipment for next year. It will be built over the holidays, or at the beginning of September. We plan to store construction and other play equipment in it for the children to use at breaktimes. If you have any safe, real-world construction materials (e.g. drainpipes, blocks of wood), we would love to have them. Also any old suitcases, dressing up clothes, construction toys or other things that could encourage imaginative play would be great. Items need to be good quality and sturdy as they will be used outside. We will send out more details in September.

Bell-boating and Big Sing







Cobras went to two special events this half term. They took part in the inaugural DoWMAT bell-boating regatta in Pershore, in which around 350 children took part. They also attended the Big Sing in Worcester to perform with children from schools across Worcestershire.



Wraparound Care

Just to remind you, our after school care will not run next year due to the lack of uptake making it unviable.

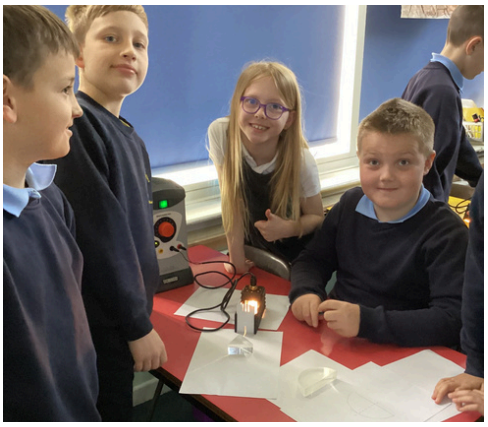
Our Breakfast Club will continue to run from 8:00am every day and the cost will remain unchanged at £3.50 per session.

School Visitors



Jason Bowld, one of our parents, is a professional drummer. He came in to talk to the children and demonstrate the instrument. It was an incredibly exciting (and loud!) assembly.

Mrs Barrett, another of our parents, is a science teacher. She delivered some practical sessions to our older children, using equipment which she brought in. They had lots of fun learning more about science.













As part of Healthy Eating Week, representatives from Kanes Foods came in to talk to the children about growing vegetables and the products they make. The children were able to try ingredients and design (and eat) their own salads.

Making Bolognaise

The Chameleons made their own bolognaise as a class, including chopping, cooking and tasting! Apparently, the secret ingredient was bacon! Now that they know how to make it, you can get them to cook once a week for you over the summer!





Nursery










Special Events

We have had lots of special events, both in and out of school. These have included a music festival, a trip to Wimbledon a table tennis tournament and a prayer morning.















Lower Smite Farm

Geckos, Terrapins and Iguanas went on a trip to Lower Smite Farm as part of their science learning.



















Come Dine With Me - Geckos

























Sports Day













Leavers - We Will Miss You!











Have a lovely summer holiday.

See you in September!

