



SMART CODE

Speak politely and listen carefully

Make school enjoyable for everyone



Act safely



Respect and care for each other



Tell someone your worries



Term 2, Newsletter 3 (2020-21)

4th December 2020

Dear Parents

Although school has been very different for everyone since September, we have worked really hard to keep everything as normal as possible and are proud that you have given us such wonderful feedback. Attached to this newsletter is our annual survey for parents that we use to help plan our priorities for the year ahead. Please would you complete and return this by Wednesday 16th December. Many thanks, in advance.

School Focus:

ATTENDANCE

Thank you for your support to further improve attendance. One of the targets set for us when Ofsted last visited was to further improve our attendance and to reduce unauthorised absence.

Current Attendance	Authorised absence	Unauthorised absence
96.72%	2.77%	0%

POSITIVE COVID-19 TEST RESULT

I have already asked all families to let me know straight away if a member of your household tests positive for COVID-19 so I can find out whether any of our bubbles need to self-isolate or book tests. Please would you let me know during the Christmas break too, as I will have to pass information on to the Department for Education. You are able to contact me via the office email on: admin@leighterton.gloucs.sch.uk. Emails will continue to be picked up throughout the day and evening, holidays and weekends.

CHRISTMAS NATIVITY AND SINGING AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE

The classes have been practising short performances which will be filmed and sent to you at the beginning of the last week. Although this is very different to coming into school to watch performances, we hope that you will enjoy the short films. May I please remind you that these films should **NOT** be shared as we do have children in school whose pictures cannot be published.

STAFFING NEWS

I am delighted to let you know that Mrs Pocock will be returning from her maternity leave at the beginning of term 3 and will return to teach Bowldown Class. Miss Tetlow will be staying with us and will be supporting the children in Apsemore and Bowldown Classes.

House Keeping

FOODBANK

I am keen to remind you that we hold vouchers for the food bank and these are available to any family who need them. Family circumstances can change rapidly and anyone is able to ask me for a voucher. This will be completely confidential and we are very keen to support all families who need them.

Activities

CHRISTMAS CARDS

We have thought long and hard about finding a way for children to share Christmas cards this year and we have a plan. Our post box will be available from 1st December and all cards will need to be posted in this. The post box will close at 9.00 am on Friday 11th December and the cards will be quarantined for the weekend. On Monday, Year 6 will sort the cards and they will be quarantined again until Thursday 17th December when the children will be able to bring them home.

Yours sincerely
M Hatfield
Headteacher

Diary Dates 2020-2021		
Term 2	11/12/20	Final day for Christmas card posting
	11/12/20	PTFA Christmas Jumper Day
	17/12/20	Christmas Party Lunch
	18/12/20	End of Term 2
Term 3	04/01/21	Start of Term 3