



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 1, Newsletter 1 (2023-24)

5th September 2023

Dear Parents

Welcome back to school for the new school year. We are very excited to have the children back after the summer break and they are very pleased to see their friends too. We all love hearing them laugh, work and play. I hope that you all enjoyed your summer break.

We have many new families and I would like to welcome all the children and their families to Leighterton Primary School.

SCHOOL FOCUS ATTENDANCE

We are proud of our attendance figures at Leighterton. Thank you to all of you for helping us with good attendance.

PARENT INFORMATION MEETING/ MEET THE TEACHER

Our teachers are looking forward to welcoming you into the classrooms on Monday 11th September. You will have an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and to look around the classroom.

Miss Tetlow will meet Barnhill Class parents at 4.30pm, Mrs Laver will meet Boxwell parents at 4.10pm, Haymead parents will be able to come in to meet Ms Filmore at 3.50pm, Mrs Walker will meet Ozleworth parents at 3.30pm and Mrs Ward will meet Ridge parents at 3.10pm.

Class topic letters will be uploaded to our website.

ACTIVITIES BOOK FAIR

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next week we will be holding a book fair in the school hall. There will be a range of books available to buy and also stationery available. School will receive commission for each item sold and this money goes towards purchasing reading books for the children. Payment will be as last year, using the QR code at the bookfair. Please remember to bring your phone!

CLUBS

We are delighted to be able to offer some after school and lunchtime clubs for enrichment activities. There will be Football, Forest School, Card Games and Recorders. Clubs will begin next week and end during the week beginning Monday 16th October. Mrs Walker will be running a Cross Country club in October and we will send details nearer the time.

If you would like your child to take part in any of these clubs, please complete and return the attached slip. If any club is over-subscribed, we will create a waiting list and, if these children are not offered a space, they will get priority for the club next term.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Our Celebration Assemblies will resume on Friday this week and we look forward to seeing you at 2.40 pm if you would like to join us. We will let you know when children from Apsemore class will join us for whole school assemblies.

FLU IMMUNISATION

Children will be given the opportunity to receive their flu immunisation. You will receive your NHS consent form today. Immunisations will be offered on Friday 15th September. Please return one form per child as soon as possible, even if you are declining the vaccination.

HOUSE KEEPING

PARKING – ZIG ZAG LINES

As a school, we are very lucky to have a car park that parents may use, if they come to school by car. The car park will be busy during drop off and collection times. Please be patient while spaces become available and avoid parking on the zig zag lines outside school so that we can keep the children as safe as we can. The lanes in the village are very narrow and quickly become blocked if people park in them.

HEALTHY SNACKS

All children in Apsemore, Barnhill and Boxwell classes are provided with a piece of fruit for their morning snack. This is part of the government's fruit for school initiative. Often there is plenty of fruit for the children in Haymead and Ridge classes too. If your child is in Haymead or Ridge Class or you would prefer your younger child to eat a snack provided by home, please send it in a named contained and ensure it is healthy. We are very proud to have been awarded the Healthy Schools award and would like to keep this during our next assessment, later this year. Please can we all work together to ensure that snacks remain healthy. Thank you, in advance, for your support.

FOODBANK VOUCHERS

Many families are finding the cost of living crisis challenging and I would like to remind you that Leighterton Primary School are voucher holders for the foodbank and vouchers are available for any family who need them. If your family would like a voucher, please contact me directly. All requests are confidential.

With best wishes

Meryl Hatfield
Headteacher

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CLUBS

I would like (child's name) _____ Class name _____

to attend the following clubs _____
_____ If the club is after school, he/she will
be collected promptly at 4.00pm by _____

Signed _____ (Parent)

| | Lunchtime | Where and Who For? | Lead | After School | Where and Who For? | Lead |
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| Monday | | | | | | |
| Tuesday | | | | Football 3pm - 4pm (£30 for 6 weeks, payable by ParentPay) | School Field for children in KS2 | Miss Sly |
| | | | | Forest School 3pm - 4pm (£30 for 6 weeks payable by ParentPay) | Forest School for children in Barnhill and Boxwell (15 spaces) | Miss Green |
| Wednesday | | | | | | |
| Thursday | Card Games 12.30pm - 1pm | Boxwell class for Ozleworth and Ridge | Mrs Laver | | | |
| | Recorders (£12 for 6 sessions payable by ParentPay) | Music Room for children in Ozleworth and Ridge | Mrs Frewer | | | |
| Friday | Recorders (£12 for 6 sessions payable by ParentPay) | Music Room for children in Ozleworth and Ridge | Mrs Frewer | | | |

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| 4th September | INSET | |
| 5th September | Term 1 begins | |
| 11th September | Book Fair | |
| | Meet the teacher | Ridge Class 3.10pm to 3.25pm |
| | | Ozleworth Class 3.30pm to 3.45pm |
| | | Haymead Class 3.50pm to 4.05pm |
| | | Boxwell Class 4.10pm to 4.25pm |
| | | Barnhill Class 4.30pm to 4.45pm |
| 12th September | Book Fair | |
| 13th September | Book Fair | |
| 15th September | Flu Immunisation | |
| 20th September | Reception parents invited to lunch | |
| 29th September | School photographs | |
| 16th October | Year 6 Bikeability | |
| 17th October | Year 6 Bikeability | |
| 27th October | Harvest Festival Assembly | |
| 27th October | End of Term 1 | |
| 6th November | INSET | |
| 7th November | Term 2 begins | |