

Parents Weekly Newsletter



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WELCOME TO WEEK 06 OF THE PARENTS NEWSLETTER

Well we have all made it to half term! The children have worked so hard since starting back in September and deserve a well earned break. We hope you have a wonderful half term.

All the children had a fantastic time at the Spooky Disco on Tuesday. It was great to see all the children dressed up in their spooky costumes and having fun.



Parents Evening

Parents evening is happening on 1st and 2nd of November. A link to select a preferred time and date was emailed out last week. If you missed it, please contact your child's class teacher. Once you have completed the form you will get confirmation of your 10 minute appointment from your child's class teacher. We are looking forward to welcoming you into school.

Leighton reopens on Monday 30th October 2023. Breakfast clubs, after school clubs and the Lighthouse Crew will be open as usual.

Attendance & Lates

We are seeing an increase in the number of children who are arriving late. This means the children are missing out on the start of the day and can often remain unsettled. If you feel you would benefit from support in getting your child to school on time or with attendance concerns please contact the school office who will direct you to the relevant member of the team.

Children coming to school without an adult

We have noticed an increase in the number of children coming to school without a responsible adult. Year 6 who have permission are able to come to school on their own. NO OTHER CHILDREN SHOULD BE COMING TO SCHOOL ON THEIR OWN

Autumnal Weather

As you are aware the weather has turned chillier and wetter. Please send your child to school with a warm waterproof coat.

LOOKING AHEAD

23rd- 27th Oct HALF TERM SCHOOL IS CLOSED

WC 30th Oct - Bikeability for Year 5

1st Nov - Parents Evening

2nd Nov - Parents Evening

3rd Nov - Special Bonfire Lunch

3rd Nov - Book Fair 3.15- 4.00 (more information to follow)

10th Nov - Year 1 & Year 2 Cinema Trip

To avoid children being disappointed and missing out on events, please bear in mind that payments after the set deadlines on ParentPay will NOT be accepted.

ATTENDANCE

Going to school regularly is important for your child's future.

School starts: 8.45am

School ends: 3.15pm

All pupils are required to be in school **everyday by 8:45am** ready to learn.

Parents are legally responsible for making sure that children go to school.



SCHOOL DINNERS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please check your ParentPay accounts if you wish to book a school dinner for your child. If your account is in debt you will not be able to book a lunch until the account has been cleared.

 [Lunch Menu 2023-2024](#)



Cold Weather

With the cold weather now upon us, please remember to bring in jumpers, coats and appropriate footwear.



Child Absence

If your child is unwell and unable to attend school you will need to telephone the attendance line 01733 232949 option 1



Wrap Around Care Club

If your child attends the club and you need to contact Mrs Rose during the session please contact her on the clubs number -

07541644794



If you are in receipt of any childcare benefits please use our registration number 110743 to claim help towards the payments.

Additional Information for additional information about the school please check out our [website](#) or visit our Facebook page - **Leighton Primary School**

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Updating Contact Details

If you wish to add a contact for your child, you can add this yourself through the **Arbor Parent Portal App**.

Alternatively you can email officeadmin@leightonprimary.net with the child's name, year and class and the details of the contact collecting them including full name, age and contact number. Without these details, your child will not be released. In emergencies please call the office on 01733 232949.

Please note office hours are between 8.30- 15.30



There will be a special Halloween Lunch on Tuesday 31st October.

Due to meatballs being served for Halloween, Monday 30th October, the lunch menu choice will be Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza instead.



Year 1 and Year 2 Family Cafe

It was lovely to see such a good turnout for the Year 1 and Year 2 Family Cafes that took place this week. The children were so excited to have their parents/guardians come into school. There were lots of smiles all round for the rest of the day.

Year 1 thoroughly enjoyed the story 'If I had a Dinosaur' and were very eager to create their own pet dinosaur with their parents/guardians. We had some fantastic creations and we all enjoyed the cakes. Great job everyone!



Year 2 first explored a new story in the series of stories we had been learning about by Vivian French called Oliver's Vegetables. Children and their grown ups then worked together to create their own allotment/vegetable patch on a shared large scale like the one seen in the story.

As the workshop progressed we labelled the vegetables adding adjectives and some children included smilies to describe the individual vegetables.

The final pieces are colourful, multi media work that we are going to incorporate into our corridor display so that everyone can enjoy seeing them and we are looking forward to our next family event.

Girls Football Tournament

Mrs Coleman and Mr Rook had the pleasure of taking a team of 10 year 4 -6 girls to attend the first YDP sporting event of the new school year.. 'The YDP Primary Schools Girls Football Cup'.

10 teams from schools across Peterborough attended the event, with 5 in each group. The scores for our group stage were as follows:

Leighton 'v' Southfields : 3-1

Leighton 'v' St Thomas Moore B: 2-0

Leighton 'v' St Botolph's : 2-0

Leighton 'v' Northborough : 2-1



Putting us at the top of the group stages until, unfortunately, we were knocked off the top spot by the final score of our last game, losing 2-0 to St Thomas Moore A.

All of the girls performed amazing, and the sportsmanship traits and school values displayed during the event were something to be extremely proud of.

Adding to this, our goal keeper was awarded 'Goal Keeper of the Tournament', which I can personally say, was definitely a title well earned.

A massive well done to all of the girls involved.

New After School Clubs

Please see below the new after school clubs starting after October half term

Monday- YDP Football KS1 ONLY

Tuesday-YDP Dodgeball

Tuesday- Cookery Club KS2 ONLY

Wednesday- YDP Boxercise

Wednesday- Lego Club KS2 ONLY

Thursday- YDP Gymnastics

Friday- YDP Football KS2 ONLY

Please book and pay for a place via ParentPay. Some clubs may have limited spaces.





We would really appreciate it if you could spare a few minutes to complete the Parent View Survey using this link.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

Thank you very much

Starting Primary School?

Is your child due to start Primary School in September 2024?

If they were born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020 then the answer is yes!

To apply for a place in Reception at Leighton Primary School you must apply ONLINE by:

15th January 2024

It's quick and easy.

You can apply online [here](#) from



Leighton Primary School will be holding an event for parents of eligible children to visit, have a chat with teachers and a look around on 10th November at 2pm or 4pm.

Please contact the school on 01733 232949 to confirm your place.

Contact the Schools Admissions Team on:

01733 864007 If you need any help or advice or email on: admissions@peterborough.gov.uk

Remember that attendance at our Pre-school does not guarantee a place in a Reception class. Parents must make a separate application for admission to Reception classes.

You can access the internet at any Peterborough library.

Please contact the school to confirm attendance. Don't hesitate to get in touch if you need support or have questions officeadmin@leightonprimary.net

For more information, please visit:

<https://www.peterborough.gov.uk/residents/schools-and-education/school-admissions/starting-school-in-reception>



Safeguarding

Please remember to sign up to the National Online Safety page to be able to find more factsheets like these to help keep your children safe online. If you download the National Online Safety app on your mobile phones or ipads/tablets then create an account adding Leighton Primary School in the relevant section.

A free online safety guide looking at EA Sports FC

For 20 years, FIFA dominated the football video gaming arena, attracting legions of devoted fans and scooping up accolades like a digital Real Madrid. After parting ways with the sport's governing body, however, renowned developers Electronic Arts (EA) have now launched their own individual bid for the title. It's called EA Sports FC 24, and it's effectively FIFA 2.0.

Familiar action delivered by the same team, of course, points to a comparable level of popularity – especially among those young gamers raised on the FIFA franchise. As our #WakeUpWednesday guide highlights, however, EA Sports FC 24 also carries many similar risks to its predecessor, including addictive gameplay, abusive voice chats and expensive in-game purchases.

<https://nationalcollege.com/guides/ea-sports-fc>



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SCHOOL CLUBS WEEKLY DIARY	YDP - Dance	YDP Handball Cookery Club	YDP Cricket Mrs Haley- Lego club	YDP Gymnastics	YDP Football