

Parents Weekly Newsletter



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WELCOME TO WEEK 07 OF THE PARENTS NEWSLETTER

Welcome back! We hope you all have a lovely and relaxing half term. This term will as always be a magical one, with it leading up to Christmas. We have a lot of events this term and hope the children enjoy themselves and continue with the hard work they demonstrated last term.

It was so nice to see and speak with parents/carers and guardians at Parents Evening. All the staff at Leighton are so proud of the accomplishments the children have achieved both academically and personally. We hope the children continue with their goals and look forward to seeing you at the next parents evening.

Pumpkin Competition

This week the children have had a year group competition across the school to design the best pumpkin. Year 1 were the lucky winners!!! Year 1 used their handprints to create ghosts and bats with black and white paper; and yellow and orange paper to make a pumpkin.



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

LOOKING AHEAD

10th Nov- Year 1 & Year 2 Cinema Trip

13th Nov- Remembrance/ Armistice Day

14th Nov- Year 5 West Stow Trip

17th Nov- Children in Need (more info to follow)

22nd Nov- Whole School Photos (info to follow)

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**

Orton



Malborne



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

Bikeability

This week year 5 have had Bikeability come in to help demonstrate road safety whilst riding their bikes. Year 5 have not only built upon their riding skills but have also learned how to check their bikes, to ensure it is safe to ride.



Year 5 showed a lot of enthusiasm and focus and participated greatly in the discussions regarding road safety. It was terrific to see how much knowledge the children already had.

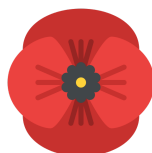
Book Fair

We are so pleased to have seen such a keen interest in the Travelling Book Fair held this week during Parents Evening. Thank you to all who bought books, as this will mean more free books for the school!



Remembrance Day

Poppies will be on sale in school in aid of the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2023 between **Monday 6th November** and **Friday 10th November**. If children wish to buy a poppy, please send them in with a donation.



There are some new items for sale as part of the poppy appeal and the suggested donation for them is below. There are limited amounts of these items.

Slap Bands - £1.00

Wrist Bands - £1.00

Zip Tag - 50p

Window Sticker - £1

Paper Poppy - 50p

New After School Clubs

Please see below the new after school clubs for this 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

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 X (formerly known as Twitter)

The social media network formerly known as Twitter has undergone numerous alterations since its change of ownership and rebranding as X – and many of these recent developments have proved controversial. With any user now simply able to pay a fee for account verification, for example, the once-reliable 'blue tick' system has become largely meaningless.

It's just one of several changes that have set the social media giant on what many consider a concerning path in online safety terms. Our #WakeUpWednesday guide provides a run-down of the most significant tweaks made to X; their potential safeguarding implications; and how to help ensure young people minimise the risks while they continue to use the service.

https://nationalcollege.com/guides/x?utm_campaign



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SCHOOL CLUBS WEEKLY DIARY	YDP - Football KS1 ONLY	YDP- Dodgeball Cookery Club	YDP- Boxercise Mrs Haley- Lego club	YDP Gymnastics	YDP Football KS2 ONLY