

Parents Weekly Newsletter

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WELCOME TO WEEK 15 OF THE PARENTS NEWSLETTER

A fantastic few weeks back at school. The children have been so eager to get back into their learning, which has been great to see!

Breakfast Brunch and Lighthouse Crew

If you wish for your child(ren) to attend the Breakfast Bunch (before school) or Lighthouse Crew (after school) clubs, please remember to **book and pay through ParentPay**. This will secure your child's place, due to limited numbers.

National Child Measurement Programme

There is a possibility that a small number of opt out emails that Parents/Carers have sent to the NCMP Team have gone into a quarantine folder that they are unable to access. When they receive an opt out email, they will always reply to confirm that your child has been opted out. If you did not receive a reply email when you opted your child or children out of the Programme, could you please send an email again and expect a reply from their team to confirm receipt.

Please send your email to eh.ncmp.healthyyou@nhs.net Please list your child's Full name, Date of birth and school attended in the email."

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.

LOOKING AHEAD

24th Jan- Reception and Yr 6 Measurements

30th Jan- Raptor Foundation Visiting

7th Feb- Year 3 Flag Fen Trip

8th Feb- Year 6 Smoking and Vaping Workshop

9th Feb- Yr 5 Swimming begins

13th Feb- KS1 Disco & KS2 Disco

14th Feb- Year 5 Viking Experience Day

15th Feb- Year 6 Class Photos

16th End of Term

26th Feb school reopens

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 8:45 am** 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 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

Did you know...

95% attendance means that your child has missed 9 days, nearly 2 weeks of their schooling.

There are 190 school days in the year, leaving 175 other days outside of Term time for family holidays and events

85% attendance means they have missed nearly 6 weeks- that is close to a half term of education missed!

90% attendance means they have missed 18 days- nearly 4 weeks.



Raptor Foundation- Reception and Year 1

On 30th January, Reception and Year 1 children are due to have the Raptor Foundation come to Leighton, to show them different raptors and talk about what makes each one special. The children are extremely excited and can't wait to see what different birds are brought to Leighton.



Year 3 Flag Fen Trip

We have planned an exciting opportunity for the Year 3 children to visit Flag Fen in Peterborough this term to support their history learning on the Bronze Age. It will be really valuable for the children to experience 'hands on' learning throughout the day, handling artefacts from the Bronze and Iron Age and seeing first hand history brought to life through the exhibits that are on display there, including a replica Bronze Age roundhouse!



Year 5 Viking Day

On 14th February, year 5 will be taking part in a Viking Day with an Education Company coming to Leighton, providing an immersive and practical History workshop for the children. The workshop, which will take place in the school hall during normal school hours, will give us a feeling of what it was like to be a Viking. The children will learn about the issues of the time, with the opportunity to participate in a range of cross-curricular activities.

We invite children to dress up for the day. A simple costume will help your child feel part of the experience. Please see the attached for some ideas

(brown trousers/ t-shirt or jumper/ dress) . If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask your child's class teacher.



BRITISH DODGEBALL

Leighton Primary, Peterborough PE2 5PL
TUESDAYS 6-7pm
AGES 6-14
FREE FIRST TRY
STARTING 09/01/24
SIGN UP ONLINE
www.sport2day.co.uk/dodgeball

PETERBOROUGH POWER DODGEBALL

PAY PER PLAY FOR £4 A SESSION

SCAN ME

CALL 07702529817 OR EMAIL INFO@SPORT2DAY.CO.UK FOR MORE INFO

EVERYONE IS WELCOME. NO TEAM NEEDED. JUST TURN UP AND PLAY

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FIRST CLASS SOUVENIR ISSUE
THURSDAY 1ST FEBRUARY 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian

The Peterborough Telegraph is delighted to be bringing back our special 'First Class' souvenir edition on 1st February 2024, marking your son or daughter's all-important step up to primary school.

The special supplement will feature full colour photographs of Reception classes from schools across the Peterborough area, taken by our photographer. I am sure you will agree that this will be popular and we are delighted to be able to offer you the chance to purchase copies of the newspaper.

You can purchase copies via our contact centre on 0330 403 3004 or via our partner website peterboroughtel.eventbrite.co.uk at cost of £3.60 per copy (including P&P) before 28th January. Please note that website orders are subject to additional fees which are charged by Eventbrite.

Copies will be posted via Royal Mail 24 - great for family members living further afield or if you don't want to trail to the shops. The souvenir edition will be on sale in all good local retail outlets and supermarkets from 1st February at the normal cover price of £1.90.

Our customer services team are available 9.30am - 4.30pm Monday to Friday and website orders can be placed until 11pm on 28th January 2024.

If you do not want your child to appear in the photograph, please contact your school office. Photographs will be published in paper, on our website and available to purchase online from 1st February 2024.

Yours faithfully

Julie

Julie Levitt
Peterborough Telegraph

peterboroughtoday.co.uk

nationalworld.newsprints.co.uk

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 tips to help young smartphone owners stay safe while enjoying using their device.

According to Ofcom, 69% of under-18s use a smartphone as their main method of going online. Additionally, 49% of children use them for online gaming – putting smartphones only behind consoles (59%) as the device of choice for playing games on. Most people won't require such statistical evidence, however, to acknowledge the huge importance of phones to young people.

Given that Santa's recent visit is likely to have bestowed smartphones on an even greater number of young people, it's a particularly opportune moment to ensure that children are able to use their handsets responsibly – and, above all, safely. From passcodes to parental controls, and from screen time to scams, our #WakeUpWednesday guide has the essential advice.

https://nationalcollege.com/guides/smartphone-safety-tips?utm_campaign=WakeUpWednesday&utm

SMARTPHONE SAFETY TIPS for young people

You may have been lucky enough to have swapped a smartphone at Christmas, or you might be eagerly anticipating getting a new one at some point during this year. Whether it's your first ever phone or an upgrade on your old model, it's always useful to have a refresher about how to set it up and adjust the settings to keep you safe – and your valuable personal info – safe and secure. We've collected some expert tips to help you enjoy your smartphone to the fullest and stay safe.

NEVER SHARE YOUR PASSCODE
 If you're allowed to have a smartphone, your parents will have set a passcode to protect your personal information. Never share this with anyone, even if they say it's just to help you set up a new app or check something. If someone asks for your passcode, tell them you won't share it.

RESPECT PARENTAL CONTROLS
 If you're allowed to have a smartphone, your parents will have set up parental controls to help you stay safe online. These controls can limit the apps you can use, the websites you can visit, and the amount of time you can spend on your phone. Respect these controls and talk to your parents if you need help understanding them.

TALK TO A TRUSTED ADULT
 If you're unsure about something you've seen or heard online, or if you're worried about someone's behavior, talk to a trusted adult. This could be a parent, teacher, or friend's parent. They can help you understand what's going on and what to do next.

STAY ALERT
 When you're using your smartphone, be alert to your surroundings. Don't get so absorbed in your phone that you don't notice someone approaching you. It's important to be aware of who is around you when you're using your phone.

DEVELOP HEALTHY HABITS
 It's important to take breaks from your smartphone. Too much screen time can be bad for your eyes and your sleep. Set a limit on how long you spend on your phone each day, and take regular breaks.

IGNORE UNKNOWN NUMBERS
 Be careful of calls and messages from unknown numbers. Don't answer calls or open messages from people you don't know. Scammers often use unknown numbers to trick people into giving them their personal information.

SWITCH OFF GEOLOCATION
 Location services on your phone can track where you are and share that information with apps and websites. Turn off location services for apps that don't need them. This will help protect your privacy.

Meet Our Expert
 The National College
 National Online Safety
 #WakeUpWednesday

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SCHOOL CLUBS WEEKLY DIARY	YDP Basketball	YDP Cricket	YDP Boxercise Mrs Haley- Lego club	YDP Gymnastics	YDP Football KS2 ONLY