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Parents Weekly Newsletter

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WELCOME TO WEEK 17 OF THE PARENTS NEWSLETTER



There have been a lot of illnesses going around recently, so please make sure you all look after yourselves. A reminder that if your child has any sickness or diarrhoea, they will not be allowed back to school until they have been **48 hours clear**. This is to ensure that children don't return back to school too early and potentially pass on their illness to others.

Nuts

REMINDER - Please be reminded that we are a **NUT FREE** school. We do have some children in school with **SEVERE ALLERGIES**. Please can we ask that you carefully check the ingredients of any food that you send in with your children for their packed lunches - **including chocolate spreads and snacks**.



We would like to thank you for your cooperation.

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.

Please be reminded that once your child has been booked onto the Breakfast/Lighthouse Crew clubs, **refunds will not be given** unless the school itself has had to cancel a session. If your child is booked onto a session and does not attend, the booked session **cannot** be swapped for a different date. This is to ensure that club registers on ParentPay reflect accurate booking numbers and children attending, enabling us to plan the correct staff provision for each session.

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

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 Tuesday, Reception and Year 1 children had an amazing experience with the Raptor Foundation coming to Leighton. They got to learn all about different birds of prey and even got to see them fly!

The Raptor Foundation team member wished to express how amazingly well behaved the children were. The children should be very proud of themselves for their fantastic listening skills and respect for the birds.



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.



Annual Disco

13th February

Reception, Year 1, year 2 & Year 3
(3:15-4:00)

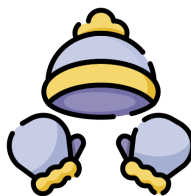
Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 (3:15-4:00)

Tickets are £3.00 which includes entry, a packet of sweets and a drink.

ParentPay will close at 3pm on Friday 9th February. We will be unable to take any payments after this deadline date and children will therefore be unable to attend.



Although we have now approached February and the weather should (hopefully) start to become warmer, it is still rather chilly and wet outside, so please make sure children are still wearing appropriate clothing for the weather conditions.



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 persuasive design- highlighting its potential effect on behaviour and providing some tips to minimise its impact.

For many companies who operate in the online space, attention and engagement are the holy grail. Social media sites in particular make deliberate creative choices to keep people scrolling, reading, watching and clicking. This phenomenon is known as 'persuasive design' and it's being employed in the vast majority of the digital world's most popular destinations.

A study by the charity 5Rights Foundation concluded that "...the brain's response to rewards and punishments can be leveraged through persuasive design to keep children online." To tie in with Safer Internet Day 2024, our #WakeUpWednesday guide can help to educate youngsters on the effects of persuasive design – and suggests ways to insulate themselves from its influence.



https://nationalcollege.com/guides/persuasive-design-2?utm_campaign=WakeUpWednesday&utm

	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