

25th September 2026

# NEWSLETTER



**Elaine Badger**  
Headteacher



**Dear Parents and Carers,**

Thank you to everyone who has responded so positively to our recent request for careful and considerate driving and parking around the school entrance. Over the past week, we have noticed a significant improvement, and the area has felt much safer for our children at the start and end of the school day.

However, we continue to receive some reports of issues caused by inconsiderate parking. We kindly ask all parents and carers to be mindful of our local residents, who need to be able to access their homes and driveways at all times. I would also like to make a further plea regarding conduct around the school gates. Our children are always watching and learning from the adults around them. Please ensure that all interactions are conducted respectfully and courteously. There is never a need for abusive language, aggressive behaviour, or confrontational conduct in the presence of our young people.

Thank you for helping us maintain a safe, respectful, and welcoming environment for everyone in our school community. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.



## **Macmillan Coffee and Pastries Morning**

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our first Coffee & Pastries morning, which this time helped raise £135 for the Macmillan Cancer Support charity. It was wonderful to have the opportunity to chat informally, hear your views on how we are doing as a school, and share ideas together. These events are open to everyone, and there is no expectation to provide feedback. Simply come along, enjoy a cuppa and a friendly chat!

Our next Coffee & Pastries morning will be on **Friday 4th December at 8.45am**. We look forward to seeing you there.



We've been back on the field at lunchtimes!



'Hanging out' with friends!

# STAR LEARNERS

These fantastic pupils have been demonstrating our  
5P values this week!



## Apple Class

Darcy for being a fantastic role  
model.

Eleanor for Passion in everything  
she does.



## Oak Class

Rowan for sharing great ideas and  
vocabulary.

Daniel for being a fantastic role  
model.



## Willow Class

Isla-Rose for independence and  
perseverance.

Ray for outstanding perseverance.



## Maple Class

Florence for being the ultimate  
team player.

Oscar for always showing the  
Lostwithiel way.



## Conkers Class

Harry D for perseverancce and hard  
work.

Noah for working incredibly hard.

Joseph for fantastic maths.



# Tiny Trees News



**Welcome to our new quiet space.**

**A calm little corner created for slowing down, taking a breath, enjoying a story and simply having a moment of peace.**

**A place where children can come for some quiet time, relax when they need a break from the busier areas of nursery, or simply curl up and enjoy a little rest.**

**The space will also provide a peaceful and safer environment for children who need a sleep during their nursery session.**

**A space for quiet moments, comfort and wellbeing.**

**A little haven within our nursery, created with our children at heart.**

# CHATTERFEST



## ChatterFest 2026: Finding Our Voice Together!

We are excited to announce that our annual October ChatterFest is just around the corner!

As a proud Voice 21 Centre of Excellence, developing confident communicators is at the heart of what we do. This year's ChatterFest will focus on the physical strand of oracy, helping children develop the skills needed to listen attentively, project their voices, use expression effectively, and perform confidently alongside others.

Over the coming weeks, each class will be preparing a spoken performance, with children working together to perfect their delivery, expression, timing and teamwork. ChatterFest is a wonderful opportunity for pupils to experience the joy of performing and to realise the power of speaking and listening as a collective endeavour.

The event will begin as an in-school competition, where classes will showcase their performances to an audience. The winning classes will then go on to represent Lostwithiel School at the St Austell Festival of Speech in November.

Last year, Oak Class absolutely wowed the judges and audience with their outstanding performance. In fact, they made such an impression that the festival organisers have invited us back and challenged us to bring even more children to take part this year!

We cannot wait to see our young speakers rise to the challenge, support one another, and demonstrate the confidence, teamwork and communication skills that make us so proud. Watch this space for updates as we prepare for what promises to be another fantastic celebration of oracy! 🎤🌟



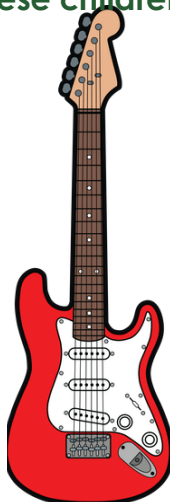
## Introducing Marley!

**We'd like to introduce you to our most valuable and well-loved member of staff! Marley is a regular visitor to our Forest School sessions and can often be found snoozing afterwards as we've tired her out!**



## Gone Green

These children have turned their heatmap green since the beginning of term



Florence - Y4

Joseph - Y5

Emma - Y5

Josie Y6

## Rock Stars

These children can answer in less than 3 seconds

Jarvis Y6

Ellie Y4

Jeff Y6

Ruby Y4

Oscar Y4

Erin Y6



## Rock Legends

These children can answer in less than 2 seconds!

Yinou Y4

Albie Y6

Emma Y5

Ava Y6

Tomas Y4

Charlie Y6

Timmy Y6

Finley Y5

Charlotte Y6

Arlo Y6

Josie Y6

Loic Y5

Noah Y6

Neeve Y6

Theo Y5

Harley-Quinn Y6

Annie Y5

Florence Y4

Wilfred Y5

Hugo Y5

Mitch Y6

## Rock Heroes

These children can answer in less than 1 second!

Harry Y5

Joseph Y5

William Y5

Edward Y4

Henry Y6



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Top Class for Attendance

**APPLE CLASS - 100%**



Whole School Attendance Snapshot

**97.9%**

**TARGET: 96.9%**

## Leave during term time

We understand that there are occasions when families need to request exceptional leave for their child during term time.

In such cases, it is essential to submit an absence form well in advance. These are available at the school office and on our website.

We will only authorise these requests in exceptional circumstances, and we will review each application on a case-by-case basis.

Please be aware that taking unauthorised leave may mean you become liable for a fine. To help you plan ahead, term dates are available on the school website.

## If your child is ill..

We appreciate that children will become ill from time to time. We do request that all parents call the school office to speak to us about an illness rather than send a Dojo or an email.

If we are unable to answer your call, please leave a voicemail and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

We are always here to help - if you have any concerns about your child's attendance or indeed their health, please get in touch with us as we can assist with referrals to the school nurse service or other agencies.



**MRS. CHARNOCK**  
Office Manager



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## Coming up at Lostwithiel Primary School

Please see the PTA page for dates of upcoming PTA events



Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October



Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October



Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October



Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October

Nursery and school open morning

Flu immunisations

Tempest Individual Photos - morning

KS2 Harvest Festival 2pm

Last day of Autumn 1 half term



### PARENTS' EVENING

Week Beginning  
Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October

Please check Dojo on Monday morning for details of how to book an appointment to discuss your child's progress.



### PTA GLOW DISCO

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October

KS1 4 - 5pm  
KS2 5.15 - 6.15pm

# LOSTWITHIEL SCHOOL PTA

Lottery winners

August Winners

Ball 29 winning £28.20

Ball 35 winning £14.10

Ball 55 winning £4.70

Septembers Winners

Ball 2 winning £27.60

Ball 56 winning £13.80

Ball 17 winning £4.60



If you would like to buy a ball it's just £2 and a great

way to support the school!

Email [Isalotto03@gmail.com](mailto:Isalotto03@gmail.com)

**PTA DATES FOR THE DIARY!**

**NEXT PTA MEETING**  
Thursday 9th October - 8.45am  
After morning drop-off.  
Come along and find out what we've got planned!

**GLOW DISCO**  
Wednesday 14th October  
Get ready to glow!  
More information coming soon!

**NON-UNIFORM DAY**  
Bring in items for our Christmas Hampers!

| Year       | Activity                       |
|------------|--------------------------------|
| Tiny Trees | Sweet and savoury snacks       |
| Reception  | Festive goodies                |
| Year 1     | Festive baking                 |
| Year 2     | Crafting Crazy                 |
| Year 3     | Games and movie night          |
| Year 4     | Scented self care              |
| Year 5     | Sweet treats or savoury snacks |
| Year 6     | NYE Celebration hamper         |

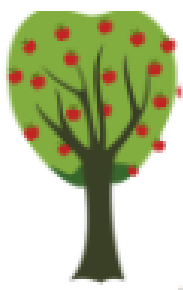
**DONUT SALE**  
for Children in Need  
Middle gate at 3.15pm

**CHRISTMAS FAIR**  
Friday 27th November  
3:00pm - 5:00pm  
Save the date!

**SECRET SANTA SHOP**  
Friday 11th December  
A magical opportunity for the children to choose some special Christmas gifts!

**BRIC A BRAC STALL**  
PTA will be taking donations from Monday 23rd November

**MORE INFORMATION ON ALL OF THESE EVENTS COMING SOON!**



*Is your child starting school  
in September 2027? Looking  
for a nursery for your child?*



*Come and visit our Apple Class and Tiny Trees Nursery at  
Lostwithiel Primary School, Bodmin Hill, Lostwithiel, PL22 0AJ.*

# *Open Morning*



*Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2026 10am-12noon*

*Come and meet our highly experienced and friendly staff and discover a world of learning through play. We have inspiring school grounds that enable the children to explore the wonders of the natural environment. For further information Tel 01208 872339.*



*"Adults in early years skilfully interact with children and ask meaningful questions about their learning. As a result, children get off to a good start. Parents receive regular progress and curriculum updates. For example, staff help parents to understand the school's approach to the teaching of phonics."*

*"The early years provision is of good quality and is a strength of the school. Children make good progress, notably in developing their communication skills".*

*"This good progress comes about because of good teaching. A particular strength is the imaginative use made of outdoor learning". The provision is well led and is rightly considered by the local authority to be a model for other schools in its use of the outdoor environment as a learning resource for the early years".*

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# Santas on the Run

Experience the magic of a festive  
fun run at the **Eden Project** on  
**Sunday 7 December**



**eden  
project**

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