

2nd October 2026

NEWSLETTER



Elaine Badger
Headteacher



Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been another busy and productive week at Lostwithiel School, with a real buzz of excitement around our upcoming Chatterfest. Children across the school have been busy practising their poems, and I've already had a sneak preview of a few performances. They are sounding absolutely amazing! I can't wait to see the confidence, creativity and expression on display when our young performers take to the stage.

Lost Property

A quick reminder about lost property, particularly lunchboxes and Tupperware-style containers. We currently have so many unclaimed items that we could almost open our own shop! Please take a moment to ensure that all of your child's belongings are clearly named. This makes it much easier for us to reunite lost items with their owners and helps to reduce the growing collection in our lost property area. Thank you for your support with this.

Tiny Trees and Apple Class Open Morning

A reminder that our Tiny Trees and Apple Class Open Morning takes place tomorrow from 10:00am-12:00pm. This is a wonderful opportunity for parents and children to come in and play together in our beautiful learning environment. Why not build sandcastles in our exciting sand and water garden, get creative in our craft areas, and explore the many engaging learning opportunities on offer? We are looking forward to welcoming our new pupils and their families and sharing a little taste of life at Lostwithiel School. We can't wait to see you there!



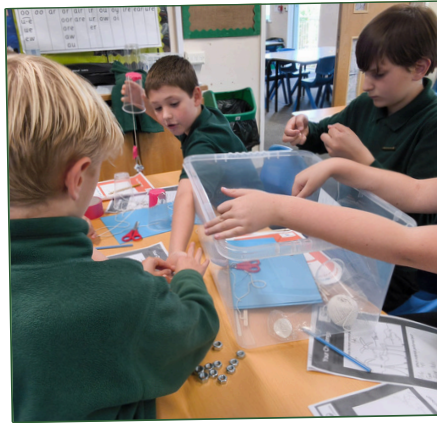
Autumn has arrived!



Tiny Trees have been exploring nature's treasure.



Problem solving to create the most buoyant platform



Ensuring weights are evenly balanced for stability



It's all in the planning!

STEM Club: Engineering for the Future! 🌊 ⚡

Our Year 5 and 6 STEM Club members have been thoroughly enjoying an exciting project in partnership with Celtic Sea Power, designing platforms for offshore wind turbines that could one day help generate renewable energy out at sea.

The children have approached the challenge with incredible enthusiasm, working collaboratively in teams to develop their ideas and solve real-world engineering problems. Along the way, they have been drawing on their knowledge of science, mathematics and design technology to create strong, stable and effective structures.

This week marked an exciting milestone as the teams began constructing their prototypes. There was a real buzz of concentration and creativity as children brought their designs to life, carefully considering factors such as balance, strength and durability.

Next week, the prototypes will be put to the test before the children analyse their results and refine their designs. The project will culminate later this term when the teams present their findings and recommendations to the Celtic Sea Power team. We are incredibly proud of the teamwork, problem-solving and determination our young engineers have demonstrated so far and look forward to seeing the outcomes of their hard work. 🌍 🧩 🔧

FOOTBALL UPDATE

It was a fantastic day for our school football teams on Tuesday as both our Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 teams took on Mount Charles, producing some brilliant football and showing exactly what it means to represent our school.

Year 3/4 – 4–3 Victory

Our Year 3/4 team played out an exciting and closely fought match, eventually securing a brilliant 4–3 victory. Finn B and Autumn both found the back of the net, with Autumn's goal making her birthday extra special! On his school debut, Edward R made a fantastic impact, scoring twice — including the winning goal! Every member of the team played brilliantly, with a special mention to the many Year 3 children who have only been attending football club for three weeks. They showed fantastic confidence, enthusiasm and determination throughout the match.

Year 5/6 – 10–1 Victory

Our Year 5/6 team also put in an excellent performance, coming away with an impressive 10–1 victory. Noah B led the scoring with four goals, William R added three, while Jarvis, Timmy and Albie each scored one.

A special mention must go to Wilfred C, who worked tirelessly in his search for a goal. Although he couldn't quite find the net himself, he contributed brilliantly by setting up two goals and having a huge impact on the game. Harry D was also immense in defence, helping to keep Mount Charles at bay.

While both results were fantastic, what stood out most was the way all of our children represented the school. They showed the utmost respect for their opponents, celebrating their own achievements while also celebrating those of Mount Charles. They were quick to pick opponents up when they fell and complimented them at every opportunity.

Their kindness, respect, teamwork and determination were a true reflection of our school values.

A huge well done to everyone who represented the school. Two fantastic performances, brilliant sportsmanship and plenty of goals — the teams have certainly put themselves in a fantastic position as they look to challenge for the league title!

Keep it up Team Losty!

STAR LEARNERS

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



Apple Class

Daphne for being kind and caring.
Alys for always showing the
Lostwithiel way.



Oak Class

Finn for working systematically in
Maths.
Lowenna for working independently
with passion



Willow Class

Rosie for working hard and showing
perseverance.
Sophie for consistently showing the
Lostwithiel way.



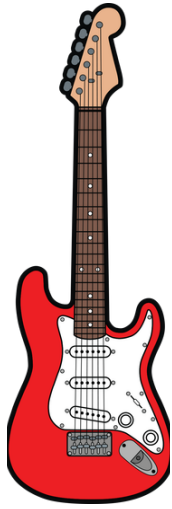
Maple Class

Bella R for great effort and high
standards.
Yinuo for always showing the
Lostwithiel Way.



Conkers Class

Harley for being an excellent role
model.
Lilia for being positive and enthusiastic.
Fin for always being positive and
working incredibly hard.



Gone Green

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

Ruby Y4

Rock Stars

These children can answer in less than 3 seconds

Felix Y3

Ellie Y4

Jeff Y6

Ruby Y4

Oscar Y4

Erin Y6

Wilfred Y3

Hayden Y3



Rock Legends

These children can answer in less than 2 seconds!

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

Jeff Y6

Harley-Quinn Y6

Ruby Y4

Annie Y5

Florence Y4

Wilfred Y5

Hugo Y5

Mitch Y6

Jarvis Y6

Rock Heroes

These children can answer in less than 1 second!

Harry Y5

Joseph Y5

William Y5

Edward Y4

Henry Y6

Yinuo Y4



ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Top Class for Attendance

WILLOW CLASS - 99%



Whole School Attendance Snapshot

97.8%

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



[View Full Calendar](#)

Coming up at Lostwithiel Primary School

Please see the PTA page for dates of upcoming PTA events



Saturday 3rd October



Monday 5th October



Thursday 15th October



Friday 16th October

Nursery and school open morning

Flu immunisations

Tempest Individual Photos - morning

KS2 Harvest Festival 2pm

Last day of Autumn 1 half term



HARVEST FESTIVAL

Thursday 15th October
2pm
Willow, Maple and Conkers Class

All Parents Welcome!



PTA GLOW DISCO

Wednesday 14th October

KS1 4 - 5pm
KS2 5.15 - 6.15pm

LOSTWITHIEL SCHOOL PTA



AUTUMN DISCO

GET YOUR GLOW ON!

WEDNESDAY 14TH OCTOBER

KS1: 4 – 5PM
KS2: 5:15 – 6:15PM

TUCK SHOP
GLITTER TATTOOS &
GLOW ITEMS
AVAILABLE TO BUY
ON THE NIGHT!

£3 ENTRY:
INCLUDES 2 GLOW STICKS,
SWEETS, AND UNLIMITED
SQUASH!

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PTA DATES FOR THE DIARY!

Support Our School Make a Difference!

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

ALL WELCOME!

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

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

Suggestions will be shared with classes closer to the time.

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

DONUT SALE
for Children in Need
Middle gate at 3.15pm

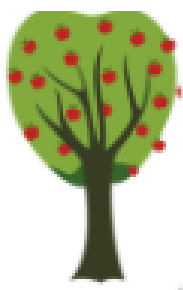
CHRISTMAS FAIR
Friday 27th November
3:00pm – 5:00pm
Save the date!

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

TREAT YOURSELF FOR A GREAT CAUSE!

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 3rd 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".