

9th October 2026

NEWSLETTER



Elaine Badger
Headteacher



Dear Parents and Carers,

This half term has absolutely flown by and, with just one week to go, we still have lots to fit in! Parents' Evenings, the Glow Disco, Harvest Festival and our Chatterfest competition are all taking place over the coming days, making for a very busy and exciting end to the half term. As part of Parents' Evening, we will be sharing your child's current attendance with you. Regular attendance is one of the most important factors in helping children achieve success at school. Every lesson, every day, contributes to learning, confidence and progress. Good attendance also helps children develop positive friendships, establish routines and build a strong sense of belonging within our school community.

Research consistently shows that children who attend school regularly are more likely to achieve well academically, access a wider range of opportunities as they grow older and enjoy better life chances. Attendance is about much more than being present; it is about ensuring children can fully participate in all aspects of school life and feel connected to their learning and their peers.

We understand that there can sometimes be barriers to attendance and we are committed to working closely with families to support every child. If you have any concerns about your child's attendance, please speak to your child's teacher or make an appointment to see me. By working together, we can identify and overcome any challenges and ensure that every child has the very best opportunity to thrive.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I hope to see many of you at Parents' Evening next week.



Our pupils are loving the library!



There are so many fantastic books to enjoy!

New Running Club Vests Thanks to the PTA!



Our Running Club members are looking fantastic in their brand-new running vests, kindly funded by our amazing PTA.

Every Monday after school, our runners head out and about around Lostwithiel, enjoying exercise, fresh air and the chance to challenge themselves. As the club runs on local roads and pathways, it is important that our children are safe and clearly visible to others.

The new high-visibility vests help to keep our runners seen while out in the community and, to make them even more special, each vest proudly displays the Lostwithiel School logo on the back.

A huge thank you to the PTA for their generous support. The children are delighted with their new kit and are wearing it with pride as they represent our school around the town every week! 🏃 🏃 💙 💖



Breakfast Club – A Warm Welcome Awaits!

Looking for a relaxed and enjoyable start to the school day? Our Breakfast Club offers a warm welcome every morning, providing children with a safe, friendly and engaging environment before school begins.

There are plenty of exciting activities for children to enjoy, including Lego, jigsaws, role play, board games, arts and crafts, or simply spending time with friends. Whether your child likes to be creative, active or sociable, there is something for everyone.

Breakfast Club runs from 7:30am to 8:30am each school day.

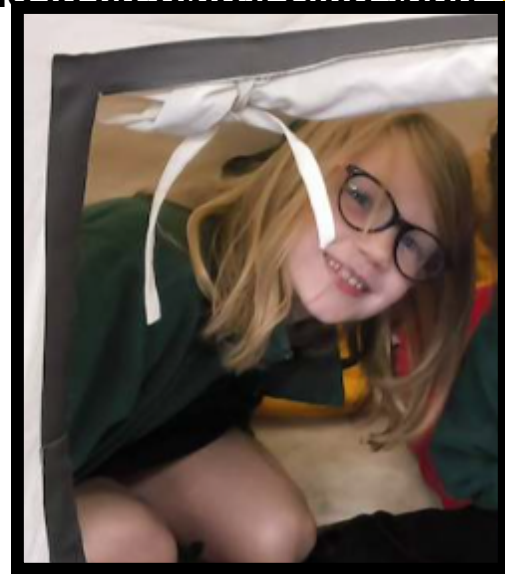
7:30am – 8:00am: £2.50 charge

8:00am – 8:30am: Free of charge through the Government-supported breakfast provision scheme

Our Breakfast Club is a fantastic way for children to start the day feeling settled, happy and ready to learn.

All sessions can be booked easily through ParentPay.

We look forward to welcoming your child to Breakfast Club soon! 🌟🍎🎨



STAR LEARNERS

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



Apple Class

**Luella for being a kind and caring
friend to all.**

**Nellie for absolute passion in all of
her learning.**



Oak Class

**Honey for trying so hard with your
independent Writing and Maths.**

**Momo for being the definition of
ready, respectful and safe.**



Willow Class

**Ivy for showing care, support and
partnership for others.**

**Ottie for showing leadership,
partnership and passion.**



Maple Class

**Fallon for an exceptional first draft
of your English writing.**

**Isaac for showing a brilliant attitude
towards your learning.**

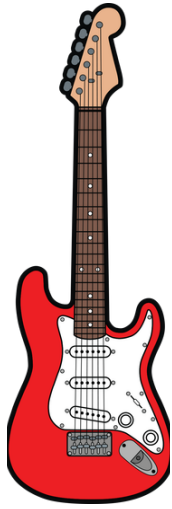


Conkers Class

**Annie for always showing the 5Ps and
being so helpful to others.**

**Jarvis for always showing the 5Ps,
setting high expectations for himself.**

**Charlotte for 5Ps, positive, enthusiastic,
role model.**



Gone Green

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

Jarvis Y6

Rock Stars

These children can answer in less than 3 seconds

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

Felix Y3



Ellie Y4

Corinne Y6

Oscar Y4

Erin Y6

Wilfred Y3

Hayden Y3

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

Oak Class 98.6%



Whole School Attendance Snapshot

97.5%

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



Monday 12th October

Year 1 and 2 - Harvest experience



Wednesday 14th October

Apple Class Harvest experience



Thursday 15th October

Tempest Individual Photos - morning

KS2 Harvest Festival 2pm



Friday 16th October

Last day of Autumn 1 half term



HARVEST FESTIVAL

Thursday 15th October
2pm
Willow, Maple and
Conkers Class
St Batholomew's Church

All Parents Welcome!



PTA GLOW DISCO

Wednesday 14th October

KS1 4 - 5pm
KS2 5.15 - 6.15pm

LOSTWITHIEL SCHOOL PTA



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!