

16th October 2026

NEWSLETTER



Elaine Badger
Headteacher



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of our first half term, it is hard to believe how quickly the weeks have flown by. It has been a wonderful start to the school year, packed with learning, achievements and exciting opportunities for our children. From classroom activities to special events, there has been so much to celebrate.

There is also plenty to look forward to next half term as we begin our journey towards Christmas, with lots of exciting events and opportunities for children and families to enjoy. Please keep an eye on Class Dojo for important reminders, updates and information about everything that is coming up.

We are now looking forward to a well-earned two-week October half-term break. School will reopen on Monday 2nd November for the second half of the Autumn Term. Before we return, please remember to book your child's school lunches for the first week back and reserve any places needed in our Wraparound Care provision.

Thank you for your continued support throughout this busy and successful half term. I wish all of our families a restful, enjoyable and safe break, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for another exciting half term.

Elaine Badger



Autumn in Apple Class



Forest School in Oak Class

Lostwithiel Twinning



Lostwithiel families enjoyed a fabulous weekend in Pleyber Christ, Lostwithiel's twin town in France! Our youngest members, Ellie, Emily and Merryn, were very brave and helped with the thank you speeches to our French host families. If you would like to know more about twinning, please contact Mrs Kriskovic or go to the Lostwithiel twinning association website.



Celebrating Harvest

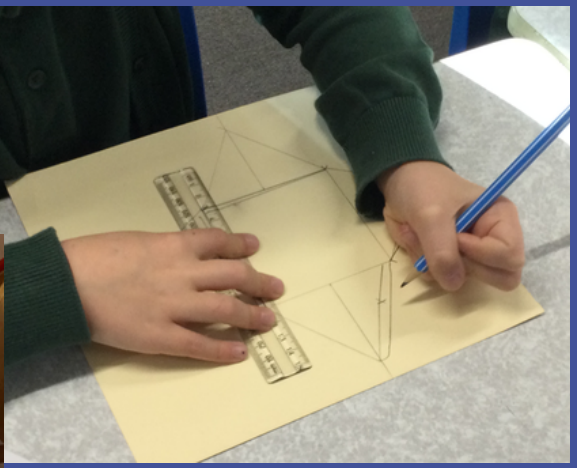
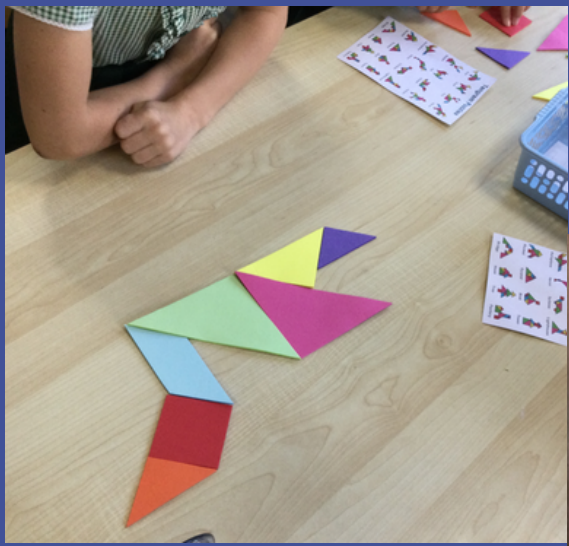


A huge thank you to all our wonderful families for your incredibly generous donations to our Harvest Festival collection.

We are so grateful for the kindness and support shown by our nursery and school community. Every donation makes a difference, and it has been lovely to see everyone coming together to support such a worthwhile cause.

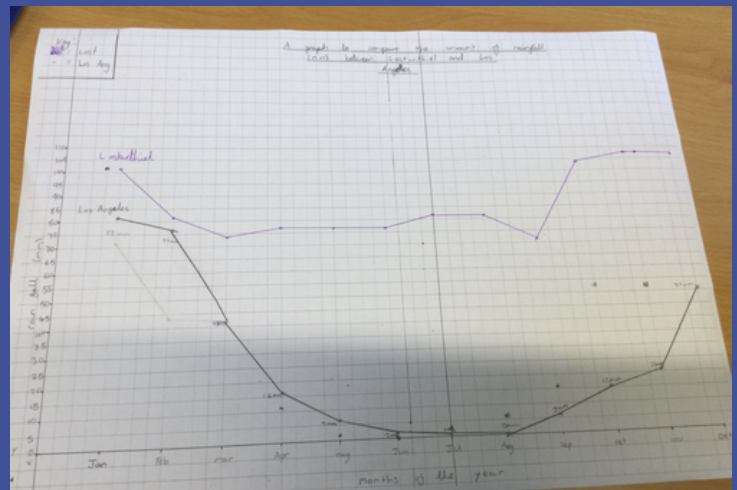
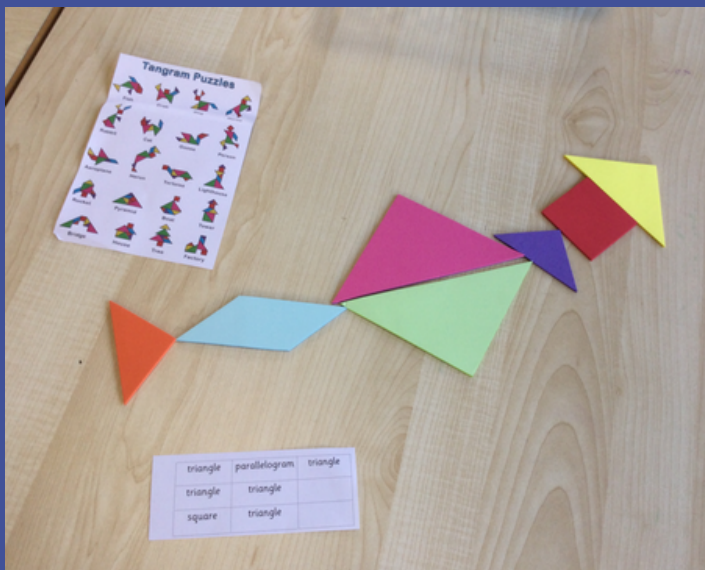
Thank you for helping us teach our children the importance of kindness, generosity and caring for others.





Maths Around The World!

Today we have celebrated the magic of maths by exploring how it is used around the world - from Japanese tangrams to measuring rainfall in California - it's been quite a diverse day!



STAR LEARNERS

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



Apple Class

Albie for great questions on our church visit

Etta for pride and perseverance when writing her sounds.



Oak Class

Darcie for showing pride and passion in your learning.

Harriet for being a wonderful role model in Oak class.



Willow Class

Todd for a fantastic amount of perseverance and effort within maths.

Elsie for showing the Lostwithiel everyday this half term.



Maple Class

Inan and Eliot for showing an extremely positive attitude, you have tried your best to always show the Lostwithiel Way.



Conkers Class

**Henry for always showing the 5Ps.
Jeffrey for working so hard this half-term.**

Corinne for hard work and always trying her best.

Christmas Wreath Making Workshop

Parent & Child Festive Evening

Create a beautiful Christmas wreath together!

Join us for a fun-filled festive workshop and make a stunning Christmas wreath to decorate your home this holiday season.



Monday
30th November



5:30pm



School Hall

£10 PER WREATH

Your booking includes:



A festive drink



A delicious festive treat



All wreath-making materials provided



A handmade wreath to take home



BOOKING INFORMATION

Book via the PTA

Please book by Monday 16th November



Bring your child and enjoy quality time together



Create something special for Christmas

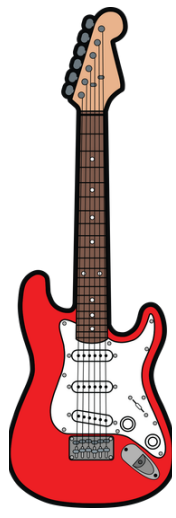


Perfect for all crafting abilities

A Festive Evening of Creativity, Fun & Christmas Cheer!

SPACES ARE LIMITED – BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!

♥ We look forward to celebrating the festive season with you. ♥



Gone Green

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

Theo Y5
Ellie Y4
Felix Y3

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
Felix Y3
Finn 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

Conkers Class 98.2%



Whole School Attendance Snapshot

97.6%

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



Friday 16th October

Last day of Autumn 1 half term



Monday 19th October to
Friday 30th October
(inclusive)

October Half term - school
closed for two weeks



Monday 3rd November

Back to school



Friday 13th November

Non uniform (PTA event)



OCTOBER HALF-TERM HOLIDAYS

Monday 19th October to
Friday 30th October
2026 (inclusive)

School and nursery closed



BACK TO SCHOOL

Monday 3rd November
2026

We Make
Great Things
Happen!

PTA DATES FOR THE DIARY!

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!



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
Sweet and
savoury snacks



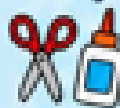
Reception
Festive
goodies



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



TREAT
YOURSELF
FOR A GREAT
CAUSE!



CHRISTMAS FAIR

Friday 27th November

3:00pm - 5:00pm

Save the date!



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STALL

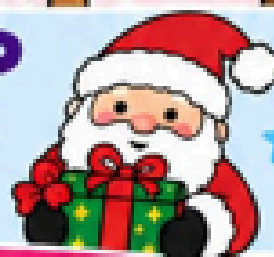
PTA will be taking
donations from
Monday 23rd November



SECRET SANTA SHOP

Friday 11th December

A magical opportunity for the children
to choose some special Christmas gifts!



MORE INFORMATION ON ALL OF THESE EVENTS
COMING SOON!



Lostwithiel
Primary School

Learn • Grow • Belong



Local
Community
Fund

We're a Co-op Local Community Fund winner! ♥

Our school has been successfully selected for the Co-op Local Community Fund!



You can choose our cause

Growing Together

from Sunday 18 October

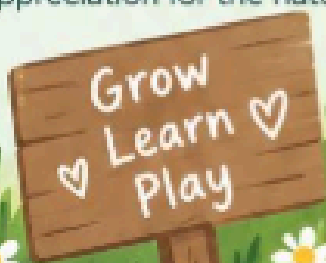
The more members who choose our cause, the more money the school will receive!

Growing Together

Our 'Growing Together' project will create a shared outdoor learning space where children can reconnect with nature, learn where food comes from and develop practical skills that support their physical, emotional & social wellbeing.

Through gardening, growing food, Forest School activities and outdoor play, pupils will build confidence, resilience and teamwork while developing a deeper understanding of sustainability and the environment.

Bringing together children, families, staff and the wider community to grow, learn and play by creating opportunities for shared gardening sessions, wildlife activities and nature-based learning, the space will become a welcoming resource that encourages connection, creativity, healthy outdoor experiences alongside inspiring a greater appreciation for the natural world.



Pumpkin Decorating

AN EVENING CLASS



Decorate a pumpkin,
add dried flowers,
to match your colour
theme.



COME TOGETHER

With a friend, or meet
new people — it's the perfect
creative evening.



CAKE &
DRINKS
INCLUDED

FRIDAY
23rd
OCTOBER
6PM - 8PM

£25^{PP}



DECORATE
YOUR PUMPKIN
Make it your own



ADD DRIED
FLOWERS
*For natural beauty
and colour*



ENJOY CAKE
& DRINKS
*In our cosy café
setting*

GOOD THINGS GROW TOGETHER



FRIDAY
23RD OCTOBER



6PM - 8PM



LOSTWITHIEL
COMMUNITY CENTRE
CAFÉ



PRE BOOK
ONLY



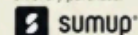
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Santas on the Run

eden project

Sunday 6 December

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