20th November 2026

NEWSLETTER



Elaine Badger
Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,



Conkers in the community
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Weather Watch!
It's fair to say that it's been a very wet week, with cloudbursts arriving at both lunchtime and playtime. At times, breaktimes have felt more like a game of the hokey-cokey, as we've been in and out, and then in and out again, trying to dodge the showers!
With the weather becoming increasingly unpredictable, please can all children bring a coat to school every day, clearly named wherever possible. Although we may occasionally need to stay indoors at breaktimes, our school site is quite large and children often need to move between buildings throughout the day. Spending time in wet clothes is no fun for anyone!
Naming coats also makes it much easier for us to reunite them with their owners when they inevitably take a detour to the lost property box.
Thank you for your support in helping us keep everyone warm, dry and ready for learning, whatever the weather decides to throw at us!



See next page for news of our amazing award!

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Elaine Badger
Headteacher

Team Losty Named CELT Team of the Year!

We are absolutely delighted to share that Team Losty has been awarded Team of the Year at the inaugural CELT Excellence Awards.

The recognition received from both our nominators and the judging panel was incredibly moving. Our nominators described us as "a small team but the impact they have achieved is truly extraordinary" and "quite simply the best team I have ever worked with." The trustees responsible for judging the awards summed up their decision by saying, "There can be no other winner - phenomenal."

Whilst we are incredibly proud to receive this award, what makes it so special is that it belongs to every single member of our school community.

At Lostwithiel School, we are genuinely a team. There is no hierarchy when it comes to doing what is needed for our children. Our success is built on the dedication, commitment and care shown every day by our teachers, teaching assistants, administrator, caretaker and cleaning staff, all of whom go above and beyond to make our school such a special place.

In a small school, everyone pulls together. You might walk into the dining hall and find Mrs Charnock supporting at lunchtime, see Mr Stead staying behind after school to help Mrs Faircloth with marking, spot Mr Hoole lending a hand at After School Club when things are busy, or even find me with rubber gloves on helping to clean the toilets. Everyone does everything because we all share the same goal and the same pride in our school.

That is why we work so well together.

We roll up our sleeves, get stuck in and support one another because we genuinely love what we do and care deeply about our school community.



Although this award recognises our staff team, it is also an award for every child and every family who make Lostwithiel School such a wonderful place to belong.

The relationships, trust and partnership we share are at the heart of everything we achieve together.

Thank you for being part of our journey and for helping to make Team Losty something truly special.

This award belongs to all of us.

Our Losty Legend!



Marvellous Mrs. George!

We're incredibly proud to share that Mrs George was named runner-up for the Learning Support of the Year Award at this week's CELT Excellence Awards.
Mrs George is such an important part of our school community and has played a significant role in the journey of so many children. From supporting and caring for pupils from their very first days at school, to bringing fun, energy and enthusiasm to our Wraparound Care provision, she makes a positive difference every single day.
As our musical maestro, Mrs George also inspires children through our fantastic choir and recorder club, helping them develop confidence, creativity and a love of music.
While the award may have gone elsewhere this year, Mrs George is most definitely a winner in our eyes. We are incredibly fortunate to have her as part of the Lostwithiel School family. Congratulations, Mrs George!

TImes Tables Rock Stars

Gone Green

Wilfred Y5

New Rock Status

Rock Legend

Wilfred Y3

Garage Rocker

William Y3

Unsigned Act

Eleanor Y4

'England Rocks' Results!

Highest Scoring Class

1. Y4
2. Y3
3. Y5

Highest Class Average

1. Y4
2. Y3
3. Y5



Most Valuable Player (Whole School)

1. Edward Y4
2. Tomas Y4
3. Wilfred Y3

Food on Friday



Josie did a fantastic job with the raffle

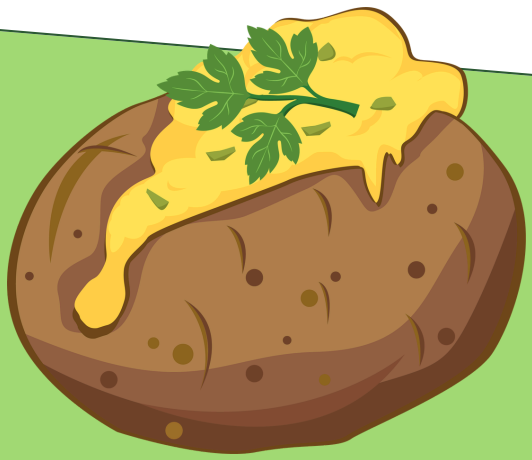
Our Year 6 pupils attended the Food on Friday event run at the church rooms last Friday. This is organised by St. Barts Church and members of the community can come for a home cooked lunch, company and conversation. Josie, Corinne, Arlo and Jarvis were put to work straight away - Josie running the raffle and the others working as waiters, taking food to the hungry customers!

As ever, our children did us proud. The community members commented on how polite and confident our fab four were.

This was such a lovely event to send our children to support. Our school is very much at the heart of the community and it was a pleasure to be able to help out. This week Noah, Kelsie, Albie and Ava will be on hand to help!



The team ready to serve!



STAR LEARNERS

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

Apple Class

Isla for passion in RWI, especially letter formation.
Lexi for Passion in drawing Club.

Oak Class

Lily-Rose for taking such pride in your learning.
Otis for responding so well to feedback on your writing.

Willow Class

Finn for working hard on handwriting and perseverance with spellings.
Hanna for working hard on her editing skills and spellings.

Maple Class

Ellie For having a positive attitude, always.
Mollie For always showing a positive attitude and trying your best.

Conkers Class

Charlie for enthusiasm and passion in French.
Arlo for passion in topics lessons and French.
Emma for passion and pride in all learning.

Talk Like an Expert

These children have shown excellence in oracy this week - impressing their teachers by speaking like specialists in their learning! Well done to them all for being confident speakers!

Apple Class
Tiggy Bolton
For maths excellence- using full sentences starting with 'I notice that...'

Oak Class
Stanley Warnham
For speaking like a true historian! Impressive use of vocabulary in our lesson this week!

Willow Class
Elsie Warnham
For fantastic use of vocabulary and building on others' ideas

Maple Class
Emily Pascoe
For her passion and compassion – making comparisons about gender discrimination

Conkers Class
Noah Brenton
For an amazing explanation of how to solve a four digit division problem – spoken like a true mathematician!

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Top Class for Attendance

Maple 97.6%

TARGET:96.9%

Whole School Attendance Snapshot

97.4%

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 authorised 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

Dates for your diary

Friday 27th November – PTA Christmas Fayre 3-5pm
Tuesday 8th December – Rocksteady concert (for parents/carers of children attending Rocksteady)
Wednesday 9th December – School Christmas lunch (please order your child's meal through ParentPay)
Wednesday 9th December – School Christmas jumper day
Thursday 10th December – KS2 Christmas Carol Concert (St Bartholomews Church 2pm)
Friday 11th December – PTA Secret Santa event
Tuesday 15th December – KS1 Christmas Nativity at 2pm
Wednesday 16th December – KS1 Christmas Nativity at 2pm
Thursday 17th December – Year 1 to 6 School trip to Hall for Cornwall for Panto
Friday 18th December – End of Autumn term (School ends at normal time – no after school club)

LOSTWITHIEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

COFFEE AND PASTRIES WITH THE HEADTEACHER

Friday 4th December
9:30am Library

LOSTWITHIEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS SCHOOL LUNCH

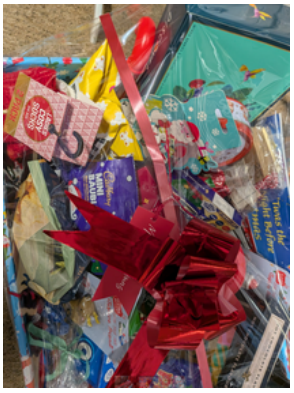
Wednesday 9th December

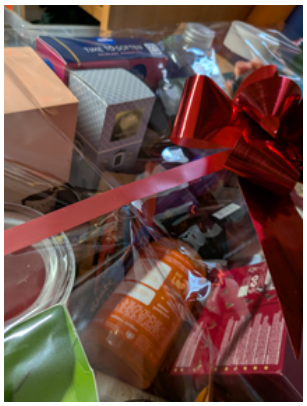
Our PTA Christmas fair is fast approaching and we are in real need for volunteers to help run stalls. If we cannot man the stalls we will have to run a reduced fair, which would be a real shame as the children love the activities and it is one of our biggest fundraisers.

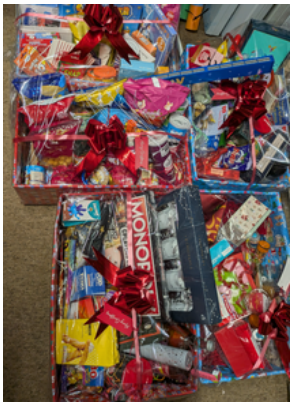
We need helpers between 3-5pm, even if it's an hour 3-4 or 4-5pm we would be incredibly grateful!













Please return your sold raffle ticket studs and money back to school no later than Wednesday 25th November.

If you have any unwanted tickets please return these to the school office. Alterntively, if you need more please let the office know and we will send some home.

Please see the poster for some of the prizes that can be won.


Lostwithiel Community Centre
and Rotary Club
ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
Santa is visiting
LOSTWITHIEL!
14th, 15th & 16th December
6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
The streets will be alive
with the SOUND of Christmas!
Santa's helpers will be knocking on doors and asking for donations.
Come and see
Santa
and help support our local charity.
All proceeds to the Community Centre
The routes will be published on Facebook nearer the time.