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Head's Hello,

Now that we are firmly in December the exciting Christmas activities will begin. We have lots of exciting things planned for the children over the coming month. Please keep your eye on class and school dojo to keep updated on the different festivities. At school, we have begun to practice for our carol concert. We have opted for traditional carols this year, which we will sing in the church on the 14th December. I for one cannot wait to hear the sound of the school children singing in our community church again after covid. It will be our first indoor Christmas Carol Concert since 2019.

As always, our classes will still be busy learning during this period. A special commendation goes to year 6 this week, who have absolutely *ACED* their practice SATS papers during assessment week. Mrs Faircloth and Mr Stead are so very proud of all of the effort and pride the children have shown in their learning during the autumn term. Well done all. I am very proud of you too.

Natalie Simmonds Head Teacher

THIS WEEK'S STAR LEARNERS—WELL DONE TO YOU ALL!

APPLE Eleanor for always trying your best.

Skylar for super writing practise.

CHERRY Wilfred for amazing participation in RWI.

William for always demonstrating the 5Ps

OAK Edrick for passion in our school nativity.

Neeve for passion in your handwriting.

BEECH Ellie for Participation.

Frankie for presentation.

WILLOW Adelphe for fabulous and creative ideas in our story plan.

Nell for amazing translation work in French. Tres bien!

MAPLE Thea for showing perseverance in her Maths work.

Leonie for showing pride in her behaviour at all times.

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Dates for your diary

Date	Event	Location	
Sunday 4 th December	EYFS open morning	10-12 EYFS	
Monday 12 th December	The Christmassy Christmas Show from Squashbox Theatre Company	Pupils to do this in school	
Tuesday 13 th December	Rocksteady Christmas Concert	2pm in the school hall for parents of Rocksteady Con- cert	
Wednesday 14 th December	Secret Santa	Pupils to do this in school	
Wednesday 14 th December	Christmas lunch	Pupils to do this in school	
Wednesday 14 th December	KS2 Carol Concert	2pm in the church – all welcome	
Thursday 15 th December	KS1 Nativity Play	1.30pm School Hall	
Friday 16 th December	KS1 Nativity Play	1.30pm School Hall	
Monday 19 th December	Christmas Fayre	2-4pm School Hall and Mid- dle Block	
Tuesday 20 th December	End of term	School and nursery close at 1.30pm	

Please see below for upcoming PTA events





The PTA are selling tea towels. These can be purchased via the following link https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfq6wRrfUoOpluZECCI2sBik6Oz7ObQhO yagTM6kjpmhkx7Uw/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0

Orders are made and payment method details are provided on the link - please put your child's name as the reference.

The tea towels will be available before the end of term.

The prices are

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GAMES
CRAFTS
TOMBOLA
REFRESHMENTS
CHRISTMAS GIFTS
LOSTWITHIEL SCHOOL CHOIR
SANTA'S GROTTO
JOIN US ----- 2 - 4PM
MONDAY 19TH DECEMBER
LOSTWITHIEL SCHOOL
BODMIN HILL
CHRISTMAS

CHRISTMAS FAYRE ALL VERY WELCOME









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Is your child starting school in September 2023?

Come and visit Apple Tree Class at Lostwithiel Primary School, Bodmin Hill, Lostwithiel, PL22 OAJ.

Open Morning



Sunday 4th December 10 - 12

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. We also have an onsite, term time, nursery for 2-4 year olds. 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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Take a visit to the Elf workshop this December!

- ► Write your letter to Santa
- ► Make Hot Chocolate Cones
- ► Prepare Reindeer Food
- Meet Mrs Claus and receive a gift
- ► Enjoy festive music





citizens advice Cornwall

Saturday December 10th, 5pm to 7.30pm St Austell Brewery, tickets available on Eventbrite.

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Starting school

September 2023

Applying for a place in a reception class for children born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019

Attending a nursery or pre-school

Information and guidance

Website and application form: www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions Email: schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk Post: School Admissions Team, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY Telephone: 0300 1234 101

Need help with your application?

Contact the Family Information Service on 0800 587 8191



Applying for a reception class place for September 2023

Special Educational Needs

You are strongly advised to name three preferences on the application form. Naming a second or third preference does not give you any less chance of getting a place at your preferred school. When making your decision you should...

...think about how you will get your child to school. Go to www.cornwall.gov.uk/schooltransport for more information on whether your child would be entitled to transport to school.

> ...look at the admission arrangements on our website that will be used to allocate places for each school.

... consider naming your nearest or designated school as one of your preferences. You can find your nearest or designated school on our website.

> ...look at the detailed admissions information on our website, also available on request.

2 Submit your application by 15 January 2023

Apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

3 Wait to find out which school you have been allocated

If you applied on time you will be notified of your allocation on National Offer Day: 17 April 2023. Apply on time! Late applications will only be dealt with after National Offer Day and there may not be any places left at your preferred schools.

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Should I keep my

child off school?

Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Wheening County	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics



but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek





Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://qrco.de/minfec.

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2022/2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Here at Lostwithiel School we recognise that there are occasions when it is appropriate to authorise an absence, such as when a pupil is genuinely too ill to attend school, has a medical appointment that cannot be taken outside of school hours or a request for leave has been agreed in exceptional circumstances.

However, the Government does not support parents taking children out of school unless the school agrees this is appropriate under 'exceptional circumstances'. Any request for leave should be made in writing to the Headteacher using the school's request form.

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may result in legal action. Absence not authorised by the school may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court.

'Parent' as set out in Section 576 of the Education Act 1996, defines parent to include: natural parents, whether they are married or not; any person or body who has parental responsibility for a child (as defined by the Children Act 1989) and; any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child. Having care of a child means a person with whom a child lives and who looks after a child, irrespective of what their relationship is with said child.

You are welcome to contact the school to discuss any concerns you may have regarding this or if you feel you would like advice or support in helping your child attend more regularly. Lostwithiel School is committed to maximising the education of all its pupils and aims to work with parents to ensure this can be achieved.

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The decision to submit a request for the issue of a Penalty Notice will be considered when a child's attendance is deemed to be 'not regular'. The definition of 'not regular' in this instance is when it is below the threshold set by Cornwall Education Learning Trust (CELT). For all CELT schools, this attendance threshold is set at 96%, in line with national attendance data. In the Autumn Term, a child's attendance for the previous academic year will be considered before deciding on a course of action. From January onwards, the decision will be based on attendance data from the current academic year.

Yours sincerely

Headteacher



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BANK HOLIDAYS

Tuesday 27th December 2022 Christmas Day (in lieu) **Boxing Day** Monday 26th December 2022 Monday 2nd January 2023 New Years Day (in lieu) Good Friday Friday 7th April 2023 Monday 10th April 2023 Easter Monday May Bank Holiday Monday 1st May 2023 Spring Bank Holiday Monday 29th May 2023 Monday 28th August 2023 Summer Bank Holiday

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AND HALF TERM HOLIDAYS

Autumn Half Term Monday 24th to Friday 28th October 2022
Winter Holidays Wednesday 21st to Friday 30th December 2022
Spring Half Term Monday 13th to Friday 17th February 2023
Spring Holidays Monday 3rd April to Friday 14th April 2023
Summer Half Term Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June 2023

LOSTWITHIEL SCHOOL INSET DAYS

5 days - Monday 31st October to Friday 4th November 2022

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