



# LITTLETOWN PRIMARY ACADEMY AND NURSERY

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PRINCIPAL: MR DAVID PERKINS

Friday 6th December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very joyful Christmas lunch today which was enjoyed by lots of children and staff. My thanks to Cath and her team in the Fresha kitchen for making us our delicious Christmas Lunch this year. The children all look fantastic in their Christmas jumpers/festive outfits and staff have fed back to me how wonderfully polite and respectful the children were today. Thank you again for yet more donations- this time the jolly jars for tomorrow's Christmas fayre and well done for keeping up with various donations, uniform changes and events. I know how tricky it is to keep on top of everything this time of year!

Also this week, Year 1 had their outdoor classroom yesterday where they went on a senses walk. This week children have also been drawing around their hands to contribute to a Littletown Angel art installation in St Paul's Church over the Christmas period. Make sure to pop in and see it this Christmas.

As you know, tomorrow is the PTFA Christmas Fayre 10am - 2pm. Thanks so much to the PTFA for working so hard to organise this event and I hope to see lots of you there for this amazing event which raises much needed funds for the children.

Our Christmas Lunch marks the start of our Christmas celebrations at Littletown, followed by the fayre tomorrow. Then next week we are excited to begin our two weeks of Christmas performances! Please find the details for all our performances in the table below in this newsletter. Mrs Hawkins and I look forward to seeing all of you at these performances and I thank you for supporting the children on these lovely occasions and to the staff for putting these performances together on top of everything else they do.

This Christmas we are delighted to welcome Reverend Voysey of St Paul's Church in Honiton to Littletown for Christmas assemblies. She will visit Key Stage 1 next Wednesday and then Key Stage 2 on Thursday 19th December.

Next Thursday, as is Christmas tradition at Littletown, we will again support the Children's Society Christmas Jumper day. Children are able to put on the Christmas jumpers again if they have them and bring a donation which contributes to supporting children less fortunate than ourselves this Christmas. The Wellbeing Ambassadors will assist me in a whole school assembly.

Yours faithfully

David Perkins  
Principal

## Children's news

**Nursery** In Nursery we have been making jam tarts!

**Reception** In Reception we have been printing our christmas cards.

**Year 1** In Year 1 we have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes and our senses in Science.

**Year 2** In Year 2 we have been learning compass directions in Geography and learnt hand writing in the alphabet.

**Year 3** We have been learning about Iron age hill forts and practising our times tables. We are also practising our school play, our inter house competition and our version of Winter's Child.

**Year 4** We are learning our 11 and 12 times tables and learning about Athelstan. We are also learning shapes in French.

**Year 5** We have been finishing off reading our book The Lost Happy Endings and In Maths we have been adding fractions.

**Year 6** In Design and Technology we have been sewing and stitching and we have also been doing our writing assessment test and we did amazing at our arithmetic test!

## Christmas post box!

The Christmas post box will be up and running in the last week of term (week beginning 16th Dec). Please don't bring Christmas cards in until the last week of term. The post box will be in the entrance lobby between the blue and white doors and our house captains will run the sorting office for us again this year. Please ensure you put names and classes on envelopes and use surnames if there are multiple children of the same name in classes. As you know, we are not allowed to give out class lists of names due to GDPR.

## Christmas Performances

We are excited to once again welcome you to Littletown for year group magical Christmas Performances starting next week!

Year 5 and 6 performances this year will only feature one evening in the church, with the other performance being in the afternoon. We have made this change due to the challenge for parents to make arrangements for their children to perform in the church for two consecutive evenings amongst other commitments and therefore, the impact this has on the number of children attending to take part especially on the second evening. **The Year 5 and 6 performances will therefore be at St Paul's church on Tuesday 10th December at 2pm and Wednesday 11th December at 6pm.** For the Tuesday performance, attending parents are welcome to take their children home once the performance has finished, all other children will be walked back to school for normal collection at 3:30pm. For the Wednesday performance please can all children be at the church no earlier than 5:45pm.

<b>In school performances</b>	<b>Morning performance 9.15</b>	<b>Afternoon performance 2.45</b>
<b>Wednesday 11th December</b>	<b>3SC</b>	<b>3JS/SD</b>
<b>Thursday 12th December</b>	<b>2CL/DB</b>	<b>2AL</b>
<b>Friday 13th December</b>	<b>4ZH</b>	<b>4SD/CL</b>
<b>Tuesday 17th December</b>	<b>RNK/AS</b>	<b>RNC</b>
<b>Wednesday 18th December</b>	<b>1LT</b>	<b>1JC</b>
<b>Thursday 19th December</b>		<b>Nursery 2.30 start</b>

### **Week Beginning 9th December 2024 events**

<b>Monday 9th December</b>	<b>Tuesday 10th December</b>	<b>Wednesday 11th December</b>	<b>Thursday 12th December</b>	<b>Friday 13th December</b>
	Year 5/6 Performance 2pm Church	Year 3 Performances	Year 2 Performances	Year 4 Performances
		Year 5/6 Performance 6pm Church	Christmas Jumper day. Donation for Children's Society	
		Reverend Voysey KS1 assembly		

### **OPAL**

To improve our OPAL offer to the older children we need to build up our large loose parts resources. Large loose parts include things like wooden pallets, large plastic piping, cable drums and vegetable crates. If you are able to donate anything like this please let us know via admin and we will arrange delivery or collection.

The children would also like to do junk model making at lunchtime so if you are able to donate anything that you may recycle, such as egg boxes, yogurt pots, kitchen roll tubes and wool, please put it in a bag and label it OPAL and send it in with your child.

If you shop in Tesco, please continue to support our OPAL provision at school via the blue tokens in store. We are hoping to put the funding towards creating a fantastic sand pit for the children. You can keep putting tokens in until 12th January 2025. Thank you to those who have supported us so far.

### **PTFA News**

### **Littletown Primary Academy**

### **Christmas Fayre**

The Christmas Fayre will be held tomorrow from 10am until 2pm! We have a variety of craft stalls where you can do some Christmas shopping, along with games and craft activities, face painting, our jolly jars and

teddy tombola stalls, and the rainbow raffle. It promises to be a fun-filled day so please come along and support us.

Unfortunately all the spaces for Santa's Grotto are now full.

### **Note from Kate & Jen**

We would like to thank everyone who came to our disco last Friday, we raised £815 which takes our fundraising amount to over £3,000 which is absolutely incredible!! A special big thank you to everyone who helped us and made it possible!! For those of you that couldn't make either the bingo or disco but would still like to sponsor us, our link is below. Any donation however big or small will be very much appreciated. Thank you.

<https://join.aluk.org.uk/fundraisers/JennyRawlins/KateClarke>

### **Community news**

#### **Operation Rudolph**

The contact for Operation Rudolph is now: [operationrudolph.com](http://operationrudolph.com)

#### **Devon Digital newsletter**

Parent/Carer newsletter from Devon Digital is now available for you to look at.

This month's issue includes money saving tips and advice on how to navigate what can be a challenging time of year for some.

"Each month we will share with you information, advice and top tips on a number of themes, as well as fun things that you and your family can do in and around Devon, and much more!"

This can be accessed via the Devon Digital Action for Children website.

#### **Honiton Carnival events**

Please see attached two posters for Honiton Christmas Carnival next Saturday and their fundraising bingo event. Two Littleton pupils, Fin and Maya Jane are Carnival royalty on the float this year!

#### **Theatre and puppet workshop at the Beehive**

##### **The Snow Queen by Theatrix Arts**

**Friday 20th December 2024 | 4:00 PM**

**Running Time:** 1 hour 40 minutes

**Ticket Prices:** Adult £11 | Under 12's £8 | Family of 4 £32

##### **About the Show:**

Follow the adventurous Gerda as she sets out to rescue her brother Kai from the evil Snow Queen, with the help of magical creatures she meets along the way. This captivating performance is told through the eyes of the puppets Gerda and Kai, accompanied by music, sound effects, and stunning changing scenery.

**Puppet Workshop:**

Following the performance, there will be an optional puppet workshop where students can meet the puppets and create their own puppet character from the show. It's a fantastic hands-on experience that will engage creativity and bring the performance to life.

To book online, visit our website <https://beehivehoniton.co.uk/> or call our box office on **01404 384050** (weekdays 9 AM - 5 PM). We recommend booking early to ensure you don't miss out on this magical experience!