



Friday 21st March 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to start by saying Thank you to the PTFA for putting on a really enjoyable disco for the children last Friday.

Next, I would like to say how brilliant it was to have so many parents and carers visit the school after school on Tuesday with their children to see their learning and classrooms. As this event was so successful, and the feedback from parents and teachers has been so positive, we will look into doing it again in the summer term—though on a different day of the week, as I know some were unable to attend on Tuesday. Today, children will come home with a printout of the targets shared at Parent Consultations for those parents who were unable to attend.

Also this week, on Tuesday and Thursday, Year 5 classes visited Cleave Farm. Their excellent enthusiasm, attitude, and behaviour were all commented on. Additionally, on Tuesday, some of our children traveled to Paignton for the Devon Netball Finals, where they placed 4th overall - a wonderful achievement of which they should be extremely proud. My thanks to Mr Bilcock and Mrs Tratt for transporting the children.

Thank you for supporting Comic Relief today by sending children in with a splash of red. In their classes, children have been taking part in '40 Something' doing something 40 times to mark the 40th birthday of Comic Relief which they shared with each other in assembly, please see below. Thanks to your donations today, we raised £97. Also in assembly today, Year 6 shared their exciting plans for their businesses as part of their £5 Challenge event. This will take place on the front playground after school on Tuesday, so please support them if you can at the end of the day.

It has been a busy week for staff as well. On Tuesday, Early Reading Leader Miss Croft and Literacy Leader Mrs. Binmore accompanied me to contribute to the Cornerstone English Hub Conference, where we heard from speakers including author Sir Michael Morpurgo about unlocking children's imagination. On Wednesday evening, teachers and I joined colleagues from other Honiton-area schools at Honiton Community College to discuss and share children's writing. Today, Mrs. Davis and I attended the East Devon Meeting of Minds, hosted by Parental Minds at Cranbrook Education Campus, where we contributed to ongoing discussions with a range of professionals about children's and families' wellbeing in education. As you know, we are proud to be recognised for our work in this area.

Next week, in addition to the Year 6 £5 Challenge mentioned above, Year 4 will have their outdoor classroom session on Tuesday, and Year 3 will have their next swimming session. On Wednesday afternoon, some of our girls will take part in the Honiton Learning Community Futsal Finals, and on Thursday our gymnasts will participate via Zoom in the Devon Finals. Throughout the week, children will also take part in Inter-House sports activities within their year groups.

Yours faithfully

David Perkins
Principal

Staff vacancy

Littleton Primary Academy is seeking to appoint an Opal Playworker to work 1.5 hours per day at lunchtime.

We are looking for a candidate with a strong, sensitive and caring approach to children's needs, who can be flexible and is able to be an effective communicator and think creatively.

Ideally, you will:

- Be able to build positive relationships with children, staff and parents;
- Have high expectations of children's behaviour and be able to maintain consistent boundaries;
- Be willing to work as part of a team;
- Be able to use your own initiative when required.

All shortlisted applicants will be subject to an online search.

Littleton Primary Academy require all applicants to be eligible to work in the UK with no restrictions, as we are unable to offer sponsorship/work visas. You will be required to provide proof of Right to Work at interview stage. To apply for this role, please submit your application online to admin@littleton.devon.sch.uk

Children's news

Nursery

This week in nursery we have been making cupcakes using balance scales.

Reception

This week in reception we have made a chair for a bear and in PE we have been doing firework dances with pretend sparklers.

Year 1

We have been learning about number lines and counting in maths.

Year 2

We have been learning a dance for Jack Frost in PE, we have also been learning about weddings in geography.

Year 3

In geography we have been learning about earthquakes and seasons in french! And our new tadpoles have LEGS! In maths we have been learning about litres and milometers

Year 4

In geography we have been learning about the water cycle. In science we have been learning that invertebrates are classified as different animals 5 groups.

Year 5

In year 5 we did a science experiment about soluble materials. We went to a farm for a school trip, we are also doing body image in PSHE and estimating area in maths.

Year 6

In year 6 we are doing formal writing and translating shapes to different coordinates. We have also been doing spreadsheets in computing.

Red Nose Day 40 challenge

Nursery 40 red noses decorated into 40 faces
Reception 40 high fives
Year 1 40 jumps across the playground
Year 2 40 star jumps
Year 3 40 decorated candles on a cake
Year 4 40 shuttle runs across the playground
Year 5 40 words beginning with R
Year 6 40 random acts of kindness

Week Beginning 24th March 2025 events

Monday 24th March	Tuesday 25th March	Wednesday 26th March	Thursday 27th March	Friday 28th March
	Y3 Swimming	Girls Futsal finals	Devon Gymnastics finals	
	Y6 £5 challenge after school			
	Y4 outdoor classrooms			