

Langley Fitzurse Church of England Primary School



Newsletter



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Tuesday 10 September 2019

“Amaze, Excite, Inspire”

Dear Parents,

As we enjoy the first weeks of the new term I want to share a few things which have been on my mind over the last few days. Trying to work out what makes us successful, as adults or children, I came up with three things in particular.

First, be resilient – stick at whatever you are doing. Even when it’s difficult, even when we think we can’t we need to be resilient and keep pushing on.

Second, be positive. Embrace challenges rather than saying we don’t think we’ll be able to do it. Say “yes” to everything.

Third, keep learning. One thing we can be sure of is that we will all make mistakes and if we are wise we will learn from what’s gone wrong. It would be foolish to expect doing the same thing will give us a different result but often we see that happening.

As our new children join us in Hercules class all of us will work to help them be as successful as they can be during their first year of 'big school'. I have already seen them showing great resilience and enjoying everything in the classroom. I am pleased to say I have also seen our older children take on the challenges of the new year with great positivity.

A big welcome to our new children and families and a big welcome back to all of you returning for another year! You will notice a new face amongst the staff – Mrs Svendsen - who is providing TA support for interventions. Mrs Wilson, who teaches Phoenix Class on Fridays, is taking on an additional role providing one to one support – best wishes to both of them on their new positions. I am looking forward to another great year.

Mr Richard Hearn
Headteacher

Our Learning this week will include:

	Maths	English
Hercules	Space based learning	Space based learning
Hercules – Phonics		Introduction to phonics
Pegasus	Numbers & place value	Fables
Phoenix	Place value	Descriptive language in poetry
Chameleon	Place value	Writing letters

Open Mornings on Tue 24 & Wed 25 September – we need your help!

Our Open Mornings are approaching fast, and we would be very grateful for your help. Here's how:

- Putting leaflets through doors in Chippenham, especially Cepen Park North, and Langley Burrell. Please see Mrs Howe if you can help
- Delivering leaflets to your younger child's nursery/pre-school – again please see Mrs Howe
- Helping sweep up the leaves and tidy the school grounds before the big event. Please see Mrs Moor if you can spare an hour to help
- Pass the message on to any friends with children due to start school in September 2020 and please share our facebook and twitter posts about the Open Mornings

Thank you!

New After School Club arrangements

We are delighted to announce our new After School Club programme, which will be run by Grassroots Sports Academy. Our After School Club is proving to be very popular, so make sure you sign your child up well in advance!

Here is the Term 1 & 2 programme:

Mondays:	Gymnastics
Tuesdays:	Creative Club (arts and crafts)
Wednesdays:	Games Galore (indoor and outdoor games)
Thursdays:	Construction Club (lego plus den building outdoors)

School Uniform

As you are aware, we stock basic uniform items here but did you know that there is much more available on the School Trends website: <https://www.schooltrends.co.uk> (or follow the link from the school website) ? This includes great winter coats, fleece jackets, waterproofs, PE wear, etc and the school gains a small commission for all uniform sold. Parents can register with School Trends if they would like to receive offers and information by email. Don't forget to label all uniform – last term there were a huge amount of unclaimed and unnamed items.

Considerate Parking

We know it can get a bit manic outside the school at picking up time, but please try to park considerately and make sure you are not blocking the school driveway (or anybody else's). Thank you! Car sharing would ease the congestion (not to mention helping the environment). If you would like help finding a car share partner, please come and see Mrs Howe.

Calling all Cross Country Runners!

The Mid Wilts School Sports Partnership are holding their annual Primary School Cross Country Run at Biddestone Sports Ground on Tuesday 1 October. It is open to all KS2 children. If your child would like to take part and you can get them to Biddestone by 3.45 pm on 1 October (they can be picked up at 3pm), please can you let Mrs Howe know so that she can enter them for the race. Please see the attached flyer for further information.

PTA News

We can't think of a nicer way to start the new school year than with tea and homemade cakes! All our new parents should have received an invitation via ParentMail to join PTA members for a Welcome Tea Party on Friday (13/9) at 2pm. If the weather holds, we are hoping to use the School Garden for this event. We're really looking forward to meeting you!

We are holding our AGM next Monday (16/9) at 1.30 pm at School. Everyone is welcome to attend, and we are looking forward to hearing your fund raising ideas!

Amy Stenner, PTA Chair

Paper letters sent out this week

- Virgin Care National Child Measurement Programme (Yr R & Yr 6)
- Child Health Questionnaire (Yr R)

Dates for the Diary

Fri 13 September	PTA Welcome Tea Party for new parents, 2pm, School Garden
Mon 16 September	PTA AGM, 1.30 pm at School – all welcome! Meet the Teacher – Pegasus – 3.30 pm
Tue 17 September	Meet the Teacher – Phoenix – 3.30 pm
Wed 18 September	Meet the Teacher – Chameleon – 3.30 pm
Thu 19 September	Meet the Teacher – Year R – 3.30 pm
Fri 20 September	Meet the Teacher – Year 1 – 3.30 pm
Tue 24 September	Open Morning – 9am to 12 noon
Wed 25 September	Open Morning – 9am to 12 noon
Tue 1 October	Sheldon Drama Teacher in Phoenix Cross Country Event, Biddestone Sports Ground, 3.45 pm
Mon 7 October	Board of Governors' Meeting
Wed 9 October	Sheldon Drama Teacher in Phoenix
Mon 14 October	Harvest Service, St Peter's, 9.30 am – all welcome! Parents' Evening, 3.30-7.30 pm – watch out for an electronic sign up sheet!
Tue 15 October	Sheldon Drama Teacher in Phoenix
Wed 16 October	Parents' Evening, 3.30-5.30 pm – watch out for an electronic sign up sheet!
Sat 19 October	Music Quiz in aid of First Access Violins, KL Village Hall, 7.30 pm
Mon 21 October	Individual Photos
Tue 22 October	Sheldon Drama Teacher in Phoenix
Wed 23 October	TD Day
Thu 24/10 to Fri 1/11	Half Term
Mon 4 November	Back to School and start of Stackpole Week
Fri 15 November	'Flu Vaccinations
Tue 26 November	Year 6 Bikeability, Course 1 Day 1
Wed 27 November	Year 6 Bikeability, Course 1 Day 2
Thu 12 December	KS1 Nativity Performances at 2pm and 5.30pm in Cherry Hall
Mon 16 December	Christmas Service, St Peter's, 9.30 am – all welcome!
Fri 20 December	Last Day of Term 2 – Langley's Got Talent!
Thu 18 June	Sports Day #1
Thu 25 June	Sports Day #2