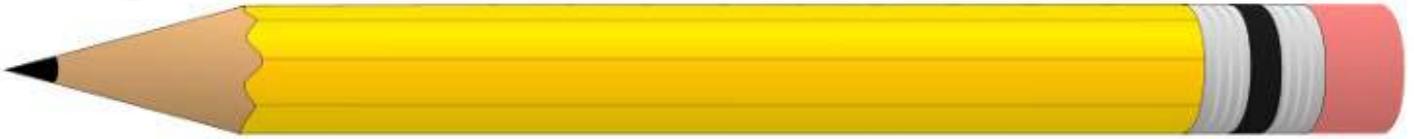




# Lethbridge Primary School Newsletter

October 2016



## Dear All

Welcome to October's newsletter. I can hardly believe we are a month in to the school year already. Our Early Years children are now in all day and it's lovely to see them settling in to school life. I have very much enjoyed meeting them all and taking questions. My favourite question was "What do you do if a teacher isn't doing very well?" A future Ofsted inspector in the making there!?



## Coffee Morning

A huge thank you to all those who attending our September coffee morning supporting the Brighter Futures charity and our fundraising towards Ruby's Musical Garden. It was great for Mrs Harmer, Mrs Short and me to have the chance to chat with you and hear what you have to say about the school. The cakes were pretty tasty too!

## Playground Safety

I would like to remind you that children should not be playing on the climbing frames before school and there shouldn't be anyone, children or adults, on scooters or bikes in the playground. The playgrounds are not supervised during the time before and after school and we really don't want anyone to get hurt. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Outside Toilets

We are very aware that our outside toilets leave a lot to be desired. Last year we applied for a grant to refurbish all the toilets in the school but unfortunately we were unsuccessful. This year we are trying again with a smaller bid to just refurbish the outside toilets. It would really help us in this bid if we had some feedback from parents about the toilets. We know that sometimes there is toilet paper on the floor and toilets are not flushed but what would be most useful is some feedback about the actual fabric of the toilets: the building, furniture, decoration, ventilation etc. It would also be really useful to know if the state of the toilets is having a detrimental effect on your child's wellbeing. Please address any emails about this to [admin@lethbridgeprimary.co.uk](mailto:admin@lethbridgeprimary.co.uk) and mark them toilets. Thank you.

## Flu Vaccination

The annual flu vaccination programme has been extended so now children in Early Years and years 1, 2 and 3 are entitled to the nasal flu vaccine. This is available through your GP surgery.

## School Application Deadlines

If you have a child born 1<sup>st</sup> September 2012- 31<sup>st</sup> August 2013 you need to apply for a school place by 15<sup>th</sup> January. We have several dates put aside for parents to visit our school. Please just ring the office to book a date to come and look round. You will be very welcome.

If your child is currently in Year 6- you need to apply for a secondary School place by October 31<sup>st</sup> 2016.

Details of admission arrangements and how to apply are available at:

<http://www.swindon.gov.uk/schoolplaces>

## School Tuck Shop

Next Tuesday we will be opening our re-vamped tuck shop for Key Stage 2. We are changing our tuck shop arrangements so that we can run the shop much more often and offer a healthier selection of snacks. We really want the year 6 children who run the shop to have greater opportunities to be involved in the business side of the shop: stocktaking, ordering and counting the money.

We are going to trial opening tuck shop every day apart from Fridays and all items will cost 50p. Here's a look at the sort of things that will be available:



We would also like to really encourage children bringing in their own snack to choose a healthier option too. Change 4 Life recommend the following as healthier snacks for children: baked crisps, unsalted mixed nuts, seeds, rice cakes, popcorn (without sugar or salt), fruit, dried fruit and yoghurts. We know that sometimes children in Key Stage 2 eat their lunch a little later in the lunch break and so need a snack at break time but no chocolate bars, sweets or salty crisps please.

School stationery shop will run on Wednesdays at morning break.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Lisa Mayes

Acting Headteacher

## What's happening in school this month?

October

3<sup>rd</sup>- KS 1/EYFS Road Safety Show 'Zoopo Doopa'

5<sup>th</sup> – Year 2 pedestrian training

6<sup>th</sup> – 6CC/KK class assembly  
10:40am Parents Welcome

7<sup>th</sup>- Quiz night to raise funds for Ruby's Musical Garden

3<sup>rd</sup> – Start of food collection for Swindon Foodbank

10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 residential trip

10<sup>th</sup>- Harvest Festival at Bath Road church

11<sup>th</sup>- Friends of Lethbridge Pre-loved uniform sale after school

12<sup>th</sup> – Pudsey Bear visiting the school

13<sup>th</sup> – 1/2 LP class assembly  
10:40am Parents Welcome

17<sup>th</sup>- Local Arts project years 2 and 6

17<sup>th</sup> – Year 3 scooter training

21<sup>st</sup> – Last day of term. We finish at the usual time

31<sup>st</sup> – Return to school for term 2 ☺

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