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Head's hello

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of a busy and productive half term, I'd like to take a moment to reflect on the fantastic start to the school year. The children have settled beautifully into their new classes, and it's been wonderful to see their enthusiasm for learning and the friendships they have been building.

#### **School Closure Reminder**

A reminder that next Friday (18th) is an INSET day, and the school will be closed to pupils for staff training. We hope everyone enjoys the two week half-term holiday and returns rested and ready for the exciting events we have planned for next term.

#### **Upcoming Events After Half Term**

When we return, we have a couple of key dates for your diaries:

**Forest School Sessions:** We are delighted to invite parents into school for a special Forest School session with their children. More information about dates and times will be shared after the break.

**Parents' Evenings:** These will be held in the first week back, giving you an opportunity to discuss your child's progress and settle into the new term.

#### **No Bag Day Success!**

A huge thank you to everyone who supported 'No Bag Day' yesterday. We were impressed by the variety of inventive ways the children managed without their school bags.

#### **Disabled Parking Space**

Please can I ask that all parents respect the disabled parking space we have outside the school and allow access to this at all times. We have a few parents and pupils who need this space but, at times, cannot access it as other cars are pulling into our car park to drop children off and blocking access to the disabled bay.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable half-term break. We look forward to welcoming the children back for another wonderful term of learning and fun.

Best wishes,  
Elaine Badger

Friday 18th October : School and Nursery Closed due to staff INSET day

Autumn half-term: Monday 21st October to Friday 1st November (inclusive)

#### **Change of menu: Thursday 17th October.**

Please be advised of the change of menu on Thursday 17th October.

Main one: Fish Fingers

Main two: Quorn nuggets

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Lostwithiel Primary School  
Newsletter Friday 11th October 2024



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

- ★ **APPLE**      **Ray** for making great progress in reading and making super vocabulary choices in class.  
 ★                    **Maya** for practising reading set 1 sounds at home and working hard in RWI.
- ★ **CHERRY**      **Ivy** for showing the Lostwithiel way in all of your learning this week.  
 ★                    **Fox** for always tackling your school work with passion and perseverance.
- ★ **OAK**            **Fallon** for passion in writing.  
 ★                    **Lerryn** for a positive helpful attitude towards others.
- ★ **WILLOW**      **Henry and Millie** for exceptional behaviour and demonstrating the Lostwithiel way in all of your learning.
- ★ **MAPLE**        **Erik** for his brilliant attitude towards his learning.  
 ★                    **Jonah** for his amazing improvement with his beautiful handwriting.
- ★ **CONKERS**      **Amelia** for effort and enthusiasm in PE  
 ★                    **William** for outstanding writing and really challenging yourself.

Class Attendance this week

Well done to Maple and Apple Class for hitting the attendance target this week.

Our winners this week are Oak Class with 98.9% - Fantastic!

Apple	98.60%
Cherry	89.00%
Oak	98.90%
Willow	93.40%
Maple	97.10%
Conkers	95.80%

***We have been informed of a potential case of Hand, Foot & Mouth Disease.***

***If your child is feeling unwell, please check for the following signs and symptoms:***

- ***a sore throat***
- ***a high temperature***
- ***loss of appetite***
- ***mouth ulcers***
- ***rashes***

***raised spots on hand and feet***

***The latest guidance on absence from school for children with HF&M disease is for them to return to school once they feel well enough and not to wait until all blisters have healed.***

***For further information please use this link to the NHS website:***

***<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/hand-foot-mouth-disease/>***



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# SPACE

Supporting Parents And Children Emotionally

Due to the popularity of the S.P.A.C.E course there are now three available sessions that parents can sign up to.

Please see links below to sign up:

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 10.00am - <https://forms.office.com/e/qFxfQicqxe>

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 6.00pm - <https://forms.office.com/e/2xA1tY62sC>

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 8.00pm - <https://forms.office.com/e/nsdVXmD4YN>

Come and join us at our **FREE Wild Wellbeing sessions**

Join Us for a **FREE Wild Wellbeing Outdoor Session during the October Half-Term!**  
MHST invites parents and carers along with their primary aged children (ages 5-11) to participate. No mental health concerns are necessary to join; the sessions will emphasise the Five Ways to Wellbeing through engaging nature-based activities.

Please ensure to register **EACH** child for a session below.

**In collaboration with Natural England**

**Monday 28th October - Goss Moor**  
**Tuesday 29th October - Golitha Falls (with a Halloween theme)**  
**Sessions at 10am or 1pm**

**Each session will last approx. 2 hours**

Limited spaces available, book early to avoid disappointment

To request a place, complete the online form [HERE](#) or scan the QR code provided:

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The deadline for applications is **15 January 2025**

Do you have a child born **between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021?**

If so, you will need to apply for a place in a reception class in September 2025 for your child by the deadline of **15 January 2025**.



**Please note:** you will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. If a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

Visit [www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions) for more information and to access the online application system.



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## Starting school September 2025

Applying for a place in a reception class for children born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021



### Attending a nursery or pre-school

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### Information and guidance

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



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## Applying for a reception class place for September 2025

### Special Educational Needs

If an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan has been issued for your child you do not need to complete an application form. Please contact the Statutory SEN Service for more information: Tel: 01872 324242 Email: [statutorysen@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:statutorysen@cornwall.gov.uk)

### 1 Decide on your preferred schools

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](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schooltransport) for more information on whether your child would be entitled to home to school travel assistance.

...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 2025

Apply online at [www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://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: 16 April 2025.** **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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## Transfer to secondary school

September 2025

Applying for a place in year seven at a secondary school



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Post: School Admissions Team, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY  
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### 2 Submit your application by 31 October 2024

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### 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: 3 March 2025. 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
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

## No

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

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



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### 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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## CELT Term Dates 2024/25

September 2024						
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July 2025						
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	School Day – Schools open to students
	Staff INSET Training – Closed to Students
	Holiday/Weekend – Closed to Students



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## WEEK 1

W/C: 15/04, 06/05, 17/06, 08/07, 09/08, 30/09, 21/10

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT SPECIALS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Served with Potato Wedges	Classic Beef Burger Served with Potato Wedges	Roast Pork Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Turkey Lasagne Served with Garlic and Herb Bread	Fish Fingers Served with Chips
	Tomato Pasta	Vegetarian Burger Served with Potato Wedges	Vegetarian Cottage Pie Served with Gravy	Vegetable Spanish Rice	Quorn Dippers Served with Chips
	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings, including Salmon Mayonnaise	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings
<b>Tomato Pasta</b> Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta All main meals are served with two vegetables					
DESSERT	Forest Fruits Jelly	Crispy Crackle Bar with Fruit	Banana Cake	Original Flapjack	Vanilla Ice Cream

**AVAILABLE EVERY DAY**  
 Water, cold, freshly baked bread, yoghurt & fresh fruit

Vegetarian Oily Fish Wholegrain  
 Fruity! Nutritionist's Choice

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## WEEK 2

W/C: 22/04, 13/05, 03/06, 24/06, 15/07, 16/09, 07/10, 28/10

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT SPECIALS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Served with Potato Wedges	Beef Bolognese Served with Wholewheat Pasta	Roast Chicken Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Butter Chicken Curry Served with Wholegrain Rice	Southern Fried Chicken Served with Chips
	Jacket Potato with BBQ Baked Beans	Veggie Burrito	Quorn Roast Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Macaroni Cheese	Veggie Fingers Served with Chips
	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings, including Salmon Mayonnaise	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings
<b>Tomato Pasta</b> Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta All main meals are served with two vegetables					
DESSERT	Chocolate Cookie	Banana and Carrot Cake	Orange Jelly	Chocolate Shortbread with Fruit	Orange Drizzle

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## WEEK 3

W/C: 29/04, 20/05, 10/06, 01/07, 22/07, 02/09, 23/09, 14/10

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SPRING/SUMMER 2024	HOT SPECIALS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza 🍕 <small>Served with Potato Wedges</small>	Pork Sausages <small>Served with Mashed Potato and Gravy</small>	Roast Chicken 🍗 <small>Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy</small>	Chicken and Broccoli Pasta Bake 🍝 🍗	Fish Fingers <small>Served with Chips</small>
	JACKET POTATO	Tomato and Herb Lentil Pasta 🍝 🌱 🍷	Vegetarian Sausage 🍔 <small>Served with Mashed Potato and Gravy</small>	Cheese and Onion Slice	Meatless Balls in Tomato Sauce <small>Served with Rainbow Rice</small>	Quam Dippers 🍝 <small>Served with Chips</small>
	DESSERT	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 🌱 <small>with a choice of hot and cold fillings</small>	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 🌱 <small>with a choice of hot and cold fillings, including Salmon Mayonnaise 🐟</small>	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 🌱 <small>with a choice of hot and cold fillings</small>	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 🌱 <small>with a choice of hot and cold fillings</small>	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 🌱 <small>with a choice of hot and cold fillings</small>
Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta 🍷 🌱 🍷						
All main meals are served with two vegetables						
DESSERT	Chocolate Brownie 🍷 🍷	Strawberry Jelly	Banana Cake 🍌	Lemon Sicilian Cookie	Chocolate Ice Cream	

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🌱 Vegetarian
🐟 Oily Fish
🌾 Wholegrain

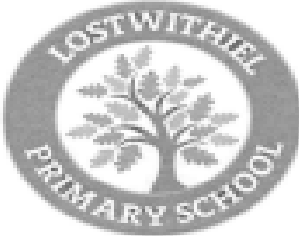
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### Information letter to all parents (annual)

Whole School Warning Letter regarding unauthorised leave of absence (holidays)

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 £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days. If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3- year period, you will be committing a further 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 for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £160, payable within 28 days. Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered. Failure to

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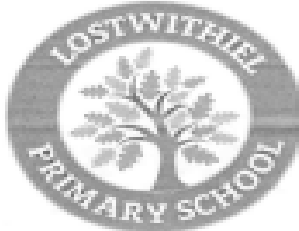
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pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs. Absence not authorised by the school may also 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. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs. Money raised from fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.

'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.

Yours sincerely

Elaine Badger  
Headteacher