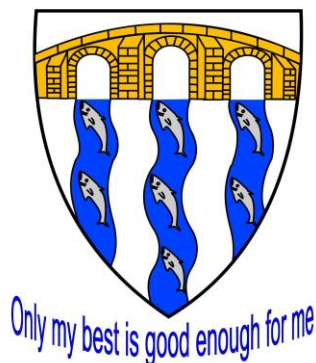


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PARKING OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL

Clearly, the school run at both the start and end of the school day is a difficult time for all involved and here at Litchard Primary school we are sympathetic to the needs of parents and carers in this matter. However, concerns have been raised by the local PCSO (Mr John Pegler) and various members of the local community regarding the present situation outside the school. Could all drivers please consider and be mindful of the following points:

- Parking on illegal road markings is against the law and dangerous.
- Parking on pavements and bends causes hazards and leads to dangerous and avoidable situations.
- Parking outside local people's drives causes a knock on effect for those trying to leave/return to and from work.

SCHOOL READING BOOKS/SPORTS KIT

Last year was a particularly busy year both academically and out on the playing fields. Success in these areas relies on lots of items going home with children – not all of which have come back! As parents ourselves we know that books and 'Jerseys' have the amazing ability to end up in 'Nooks and Crannies'. The best way to get everything back is an amnesty: just send them in if you have anything. We'll just be grateful to have them back.

EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

It was an excellent start for our after school and lunch time clubs, with all teachers reporting good numbers and even more importantly, the attitude and behaviour to match!

There are no matches this week, but rugby and netball fixtures will begin on Friday 26th of September. Details are to follow. Football matches tend to be in between these when organised. Parents are welcome to watch the matches, although the same rules of decorum asked for at club level are expected by all.

FOLPS HALLOWEEN QUIZ

Term has begun and the enthusiastic members of the 'Friends of Litchard Primary School' Committee are busy preparing lots of fun activities to bring together the local community to help raise funds for the school. There will be a quiz this Halloween on Friday 24th of October. The previous quiz was a great night and it is hoped that the forthcoming event will build on that success.



BRYNTEG OPEN EVENING YR 5

On September the 25th 2014 there will be an open evening for all prospective Brynteg pupils (those who will be moving up in the year 2016) and their parents. It will be an opportunity for all involved to familiarize themselves with the school and its workings. Parents are asked to meet at the Upper School reception area, with the meeting taking place in the Upper School hall. Letters have been sent out this week.



PUPILS VISIT TO PARLIAMENT

Lewys Hall tells us about his day at the Houses of Parliament:

It started with a long bus ride. When we got there, Dan and I were in charge of the camera so we could interview the people who worked there. We got to go inside the House of Commons and watch a debate and the Foreign Secretary was there talking about Gaza and Syria. At the end of the tour we went into a room where we had to come up with a campaign. We chose anti-smoking. The other group wanted to have a swimming pool in every school! My team won!

FOOTBALL CLUB FOR YR 3 CHILDREN

If your child is interested in playing football outside of school and you are struggling to find a place for them, please contact Mr Richards at the school. He has set up a team at Maesteg Park Football Club and they are currently recruiting. Transfers from other established clubs are not being encouraged. Children must be 7 or 8 in the current school year.

BONFIRE NIGHT IN THE CANTEEN!

This Bonfire Night, (during school lunch time), the school canteen will be providing themed meals. The menu is as follows:

**Beefburger in a bap or Hot Dog
Baked Beans or Garden Peas
or Salad Bar Options
& Chips
Apple Muffin or Ice Cream
& A Drink**

Children who would like to enjoy this special meal and don't normally have school lunch, will need to order and pay for it by the Monday before: Monday the 3rd. Please put it in a labelled envelope.



CLOSURES/SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

The school will be closed for staff training on the following days –

Friday 24th October 2014

Monday 5th January 2015

Monday 20th July 2015

October Half term starts on 27th October to 31st October. Children return on Monday 3rd November.

We break up for the Christmas Holidays on Friday December 19th. School term dates are available on the Litchard school web-site.

Again for all school holidays please go to our school web site as they can be different to other schools in Bridgend County Borough.

DATES FOR YOR DIARY

23rd September – St Fagans Year 4

25th September – Year 5 and 6 Theatr Na Nog Swansea

29th September – Henry 8TH Talk – Year 5

8th October - Mac Millan Coffee morning for Junior Coffee Afternoon for Infants

1st October – Reception trip to St Fagans

2nd Harvest Festival at the Mission (Morning)

17th October - Wear Pink (Breast Cancer Awareness)

14th Individual School Photographs

21st October - Year 4 Big Pit

24th October - CLOSURE DAY

24th October - FOLPS QUIZ

14th November- Children in Need Day

9th December – Nursery Concert 9.30 Infant hall

Rec Concert 2.15 Infant Hall

Christmas lunch for Children

10th December – Rec Concert 9.30 Infant Hall

Nursery Concert 2.15 Infant Hall

11th December - Year 1 and 2 Concert 9.30am Main Hall

12th December – Year 1 and 2 Concert 2.15pm Main Hall

15th December – Father Christmas Visit pm Nursery and Reception

16th December – Father Christmas pm Year 1 and 2

16th December - Year 3 and 4 Concert 2.15pm main Hall and 6pm

17th December – Panto at School "Sleeping Beauty"

18th December – Year 5 and 6 Concert 2.15pm and 6pm