

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

DATES FOR THE DIARY

October 18th—Harvest Festival.

Y5/6 Anglo-Saxon Workshop.

Open Book Afternoon.

Last day of Term 1.

Hot chocolate and tuck on the playground after school.

November 1st and 2nd—

Parents Evening. Please book via the School Office by Tuesday 17th October.

November 13th—Odd Sock

Day. More information to follow soon.

November 17th—Children in

Need. Spotty/Stripy/Pudsey clothes. More information to follow soon.

December 6/7/8th—KS1

Nativity. More info to follow soon.

December 13th—Christmas

Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day. Lunch can now be booked via Parent Pay.

HEAD'S UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Here we are at week 6 already! I have been blown away this term by the quality of the learning in all of the classrooms. There is such a positive learning buzz around the school and visitors I have shown around this term have all commented on how calm and focused the learning environments are!

Parents Evening will be happening after half term. Please contact the office to book a slot if you have not already. This is a great opportunity to hear how your child is progressing and to find out how you can help at home.

Our next opportunity to celebrate the children's learning will be in our Harvest Festival assembly next Wednesday. The children have learnt some very catchy Harvest songs that we are looking forward to sharing with you. There will be an opportunity afterwards to see your child's learning in their books in the classroom as books will not be shared at parent's evening.

Finally, I would like to thank our amazing PTA for a super quiz last night at St Barbara's hall. With four rounds—general knowledge, music, Larkhill trivia and a picture round, there was something for everyone and everyone had a blast! The winners of the Larkhill Quiz Trophy were 'The Larkhill School of Witchcraft and Quizardry' - Mrs Jenkins, Mrs Ball, Mrs Cole and Mrs Conner!

We will be planning another quiz in the future and hope that we have lots of other teams ready to challenge them for the trophy! We were small in number last night and would love for many more families to come and join in with events such as this. Coming together for community events is so, so important to us as a school and the PTA would love to hear from you if you have any ideas about events that may be popular.

Charlotte Harmer

Head Teacher



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Longleat - 91.5%

Archer - 98.56%

Salisbury - 93.53%

Stonehenge - 95%

Danebury - 93.33%

Woodhenge - 94.85%

Silbury - 96.59%

Wessex - 100%

The Department for Education stipulates school attendance should be no lower than 96%.

This week, our school attendance was

95.49%

Congratulations to this week's class attendance winners!

WESSEX CLASS

Well done!

CAUGHT READING



Tukai and Elijah Racule were caught doing some early morning reading! What a great way to get your brain into gear before school!



Oliver Cole was caught practising his phonics sounds whilst enjoying a cheeky ice cream! Brrrr-illiant.

If you catch your child reading somewhere unusual, or even just enjoying their book in a quiet moment—feel free to take a snap and send it to psa@larkhill.wilt.sch.uk

We love to see children enjoying books!

PLEA for CLOTHES

Reception would be grateful for any donations of clothes aged 4-6. In particular, underwear and bottoms (including socks). Equally, if you have borrowed any clothes recently, can we ask that they are returned?

Sometimes children may get wet during messy play or have accidents and we are happy to lend out clothes if we have them available but our supply is running very low. So if you have any clothes that you are happy to donate (not necessarily uniform items, joggers or leggings would also be gratefully received!), we would be more than happy to take them. Thank you!



STAR LEARNERS



“Evelyn has been working so hard on her phonics over the last few weeks, practicing every day and even trying to read stories to us at home. We are so proud of your determination Evelyn!

Lillian has been reading twice a day almost every day so far this academic year! She is working hard on her reading fluency and trying to improve how many words she can read in a minute. She is doing so well at showing the school value of aspiration! Well done Lillian, keep up the good work!”



Great work Lillian and Evelyn!



At Larkhill Primary School, we know that learning isn't limited to the classroom. This year, we would like to introduce a new section to our weekly newsletter to showcase the learning that your children do outside of school.

This can be learning a brand new skill, for example baking or bike riding - or even learning how to demonstrate our school values within the community. Perhaps they have shown resilience by enduring a difficult task or helped a friend or neighbour in some way.

If your child has done something worthy of a Star Learner nomination, please send these to psa@larkhill.wilts.sch.uk and together we can celebrate the amazing learning that goes on outside of school, as well as within.

BIG SOUP SHARE

We at Larkhill Primary School would like to participate in a celebration which is run by the Royal Horticultural Society called 'The Big Soup!'.

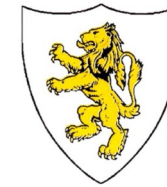
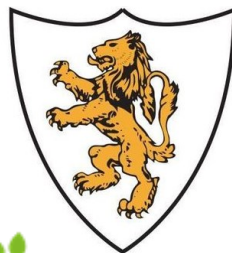
This is all about growing, cooking and sharing. At school, we focus on growing as part of our curriculum and we love to cook—especially on fire!

So, it's competition time...

We would like our pupils to design a soup recipe! The Forest School Pupil Parliament members will decide on the Top 5 recipes and Mrs Harmer will select the winner! The winning recipe will be cooked on the fire by Mrs Matthews and all classes during their Forest School sessions on the 9th and 10th November 2023!

A prize will be awarded for the winning recipe. The closing date for entries is Wednesday 1st November. Recipe sheets are available for all children; we will give each child a sheet should they wish to enter.

One complete, please post them the in Soup Box outside of the School Office!



Wednesday 18th October

Harvest Festival Assembly

2:30pm-3:00pm



On Wednesday 18th October, we would love for you to come into school and watch our Harvest Festival. The children have been working really hard on their Harvest songs and would love to share them with you.

After the assembly, you can go to your child's classroom and they can share the work they have been doing over the past few weeks. Children will not be able to leave school until the normal time of 3:15pm.

'Please Bring In a Tin'. We are asking for donations that we can take to the Trussell Trust in Salisbury. Please do send in a tin if you can.

