

High Littleton Church of England Primary School Friday, 6th October 2023



It's a baby!!

I'm sure you would like to join with me in congratulating Miss Wheeler on the birth of her second child - welcome to the world baby Luna, who was born on Friday, 29th September.

This week we welcomed Charles to Otter Class, I have no doubt that your time at High Littleton will be a happy one.

Please be reminded that individual school photos will take place next Friday, 13th October. If your child has a pre-school sibling and would like them to join in with the photo, please ensure that you arrive from 8am.

This afternoon, we congregated at Holy Trinity Church for our annual Harvest service. Many thanks to you as parents for donating to Somer Valley Foodbank.

On Monday, 9th October the PTA will be meeting for their AGM at The Star for 7pm. We look forward to welcoming as many parents as possible.

Robin Class are now well into their ukulele sessions. The school has purchased the services of the West of England Music Alliance who are teaching the children to play the ukulele over the next 30 weeks. We have already seen and herd that they are making great progress.

As you will be aware, the school is very keen to develop children's arithmetical abilities through the use of Doodle Maths and Doodle Tables. During the last few weeks, we have seen a significant rise in the amount of time that children are spending completing these challenges. This week we celebrated the fact that 93% of children in Hedgehog Class are in 'the green zone'.

Congratulations to those who participated in the Summer Doodlemaths Challenge. Those who took part were awarded with a certificate and a badge.

Congratulations also to the following children who have been elected as members of our School Council:

Aaliyah and Orla (Owl), Henry and Evie (Hedgehog), Fleur and Thea (Fox), Thora and Noah (Badger), Ezra and Isabella (Otter), Sabrina and Molly (Robin) as well

as Aiva and Molly (Deer).

Many congratulations to Harvey, Eliza, Amelie, Heidi, Sky and Albie who have also been elected by their peers to take on the responsibility of being House Captains.

Have a good weekend.

Mr Griffith



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Notices

Y5/6 Cross Country

This year's annual cross country event took place on the 3rd of October 2023, where schools from all across BANES gathered in a 1.2 kilometre race at Odd Down sporting facilities. One of our very own year 5's (Roxy) won silver, competing against 50 other year five girls. We are very proud of the participants of High Littleton school that joined in this incredibly hard race. Although most of the pupils were extremely exhausted after, they managed to get through the run without any major problems.

Each school had 4 different categories including: year 5 girls, year 5 boys, year 6 girls and year 6 boys. Each category did really well coming mostly in the top 20 out of the 50 children in each race.

Due to great effort, the year six girls managed to take third place because of their accumulative

scores, the top three were - Florence (6th), Heidi (11th) and for Isabella (13th)

Every representative from each school did very well and we can't wait for the next event.

Written by the Florence and Isabella.



ΡΤΑ

Our PTA co-chairs Rosie and Becky have decided to step down and hand the baton over to the next parent leader/s. We cannot thank them enough for the dedication to our PTA over the last few years. They have been the driving force behind so many successful events and their enthusiasm has meant that the school have been supported in many ways financially by the PTA -THANK YOU!

This does mean that it is time to nominate a new chair and Rosie and Becky would encourage anyone who might be interested in finding out more about this role, to drop them an email - highlittletonpta@gmail.com.

On 9th October the PTA will be holding their annual AGM in the school (more details to follow). If you would like to support the PTA in anyway, please come along everyone is welcome.

Are you able to volunteer on the High Littleton School PTA?

Details can be found on the website <u>here</u>. If you would like further information please contact Rosie O'Rourke or Becky Harvey (Joint Chairs) at highlittletonpta@gmail.com.

Our PTA are also supported by Easy Fundraising who donate money every time you make online purchases via their platform. Please sign up to Easy Fundraising which is free and easy to do via the link <u>here</u>.



Forest Friday, Cross Country, Ukulele's and House Captains



World Champion!

We have a Taekwondo World Champion in our midst. Congratulations to Kitty (Y6) who spent last week competing at the World United Martial Arts Championships in Greece and was awarded silver in Creative Form and gold in Traditional Kata Form.

Well done Kitty, we are very proud of you!





Reminders

Parents Evening

Please note that this term's Parents' Evenings will take place <u>in person</u> during the w/c 16th October. A letter explaining how to book can be found <u>here.</u>

Bags2School

Please return you Bags2School on Wednesday, 18th October (not before), filled with unwanted clothing and textiles. If the weather is dry, these can be left outside the main office under the flagpole (if wet, inside the foyer). Each bag will be weighed when Bags2School collect them, and the PTA will be given commission based on weight. If you require any additional bags, these can be found in the foyer. NO 2 Schoor

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Attendance

Please find below the current percentage attendance for each year group and class.

Owl	100%
Hedgehog	97.4%
Fox	93.2%
Badger	98%
Otter	97.7%
Robins	97.2%
Deer	98.6%
Total	97%

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club continues to be a popular choice for our children at HL.

We are open 5 days a week from 7:40am and provide the children with a selection of healthy breakfast foods (available until 8.10am) to set them up for the school day ahead. We have a wide range of toys and also an extensive craft supply which the children can enjoy. We also have a reading corner, pool table and lots of board games.

We would like to add to our range of activities of activities especially Lego or other building toys, babies, and a dolls house...if you have had a post Summer clear up then please do bear us in mind, we would be very grateful for any donations!

Breakfast Club is bookable via Parentpay.

Mr Hayes, Miss Richards, Mrs Stenner and Mrs Beale





HIGH LITTLETON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Valuing all God's children within an inclusive

OPEN MORNING

Tuesday, 7th November 2023

9.30am - 12pm

Are you looking for your child to start school in September 2023? We are opening our doors to prospective parents so that you can come and see what goes on at High Littleton Primary School.

No appointments necessary.









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School Dinners

Please can we remind you that dinners are £2.80 and need to be paid in advance via ParentPay. KS1 children are entitled to Universal Infant Free School Meals. Did you know that for all children in KS1 and KS2, if you receive any of the benefits listed below, you can also register with the Free School Meal Team? Your registration could attract Pupil Premium funding for our school of £1,320. Please contact the Free School Meals Team on 01225 394317 to check your eligibility. All that is needed is your National Insurance Number and date of birth. Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by • earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods) Income Support • Income-Based Jobseekers Allowance • Income Related Employment Support Allowance • Child Tax Credit (WITHOUT Working Tax Credit) and have and annual household income (as assessed by HMRC) below £16,190

- Working Tax Credit **Run-on** which is **only paid for 4 weeks** after you STOP qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- The Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit Support under PartV1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

Please follow us on Instagram high_littleton for the latest news and information about the school.



Please check out the website. Click on the link below:www.highlittletonschool.com

Dates for your Diaries 2023-2024

Please click on the link below to take you to the 'Diary Dates' page and scroll down to see Club dates! 'Diary Dates/Clubs'

High Littleton Primary School is committed to working towards race equality, promoting positive approaches to difference and opposing all forms of racial prejudice and discrimination. Language or behaviour, which is racist or potentially damaging to any ethnic or racial group, is not tolerated and will always be challenged. We recognise that British society is made up of people from many different racial, cultural, linguistic and religious backgrounds and that all pupils must be fully prepared to live in such a diverse society.