



LIFTON COMMUNITY ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

29.11.24 It has been another lovely busy week at Lifton. We have recovered from the cold icy and snowy days. It was lovely to hear about snowmen and snow angels from the children. Thank you for your understanding with the school closure. The children have been working on hard on their learning and exploring lots of new concepts. The school has started to look festive in preparation for the Christmas fair but also with preparations for our performances. The children have been busy learning songs and lines in readiness to wow you all with their singing and acting. We have of course been working closely with the reception and KS1 children in readiness for their new classes next week. They have been amazing and are all very excited. Thank you for your support.

A brighter future together



Online Safety: we foster an open environment at Lifton in which children are encouraged to ask any questions and participate in an ongoing conversation about the benefits and risks of the online world. As the nights grow shorter and evenings darker, some children spend more and more time online, it is important to share some useful tips on keeping our children safe online. Online Safety forms an important part of our school curriculum. Please talk to your child about how they use their time online and what is being accessed. We all have a part to play in keeping children safe on and offline and together we can give them guidance on staying safe. Below are some links you may find useful:

www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/

www.internetmatters.org/schools-esafety/primary/

saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/young-people/resources-for-3-11s

Open the Book: the lovely Open the Book team came to see us all at Lifton this week. They shared the story of the Annunciation (the Annoucement by Gabriel to Mary). The children really enjoyed learning about the start of the Christmas story.

Christmas Fair: by the time you read this newsletter the FOLs Christmas Fair will be underway. Thank you for supporting the fair with donations and attending. A thank you to the FOLs volunteers for all their hard work. We look forward to sharing some photos with you next week.

Team point update

WILLOW 311

BEECH 556

OAK 454

ASH 514



Parent/Carer code of conduct: we have a new code of conduct to support us keeping everyone safe. This will be sent out with this newsletter today. Please do take the time to read it. The full policy can be found here: [policy](#) Our aim at Lifton is to create a safe, happy and welcoming space for our children, staff, families and community. Thank you for your support with this.

Christmas Lunch: the menu has been sent out this week. Christmas lunch will be served on Wednesday 18th December. Please book your child's lunch via MCAS by Friday 5th December so our lovely kitchen team have time to prepare. Children are welcome to wear a festive item for lunch (hat/antlers or a jumper), children will be in school uniform on this day. You may even spot a teacher or two with a Santa hat on!



Diary dates:

- 06.11.24 Rock Band Assembly
- 09.12.24 Wain homes site visit YR6
- 09.12.24 Carols by Candlelight (KS2) 2.00pm
- 10.12.24 Carols by Candlelight (KS2) 5.30pm
- 11.12.24 KS1 Nativity 1.45pm
- 12.12.24 KS1 Nativity 1.45pm
- 12.12.24 Christmas Jumper Day
- 18.12.24 Christmas Lunch
- 18.12.24 Magic Martin shows KS1 and KS2

Have a restful weekend, we look forward to seeing you all next week.

Warmest wishes, *Mrs Brimacombe*

Class News

Wrens and Wagtails have had a great couple of weeks learning about The Little Red Hen. We have been playing with the food farm and we talked about how to grow corn. We have also made bread rolls to enjoy like the Hen did in the story.

Robins have been working hard in their RWinc sessions reading and spelling CVC words. They have made such fantastic progress throughout this half term and should all be incredibly proud of themselves as I know I am. We have also been discussing the transition into our new classroom and thinking about things that will be the same and things that will be different for us all.

Pine Martens have been learning about the classification of animals in science. This week we focused on birds. We learnt that birds have wings, feathers, beaks and can lay eggs. We also learnt the cool fact that most birds have 4 toes. We loved going bird watching and then drawing and labelling some of the birds that we saw.

Hedgehogs have been researching the history of flight. They have been finding out what different things have been invented to fly people safely from one destination to another and sequencing this on a time line to show how this has changed over time.

Otters have been working hard on their science knowledge. They have been investigating sound and instruments. They have had great fun exploring drums and guitars. They have also been creating their own musical instruments using their bodies as beat boxes.

Badgers have had great fun making different varieties of chocolate fudge to sell at the Christmas Fair. As well as making the fudge, they worked out costs and created posters to advertise their products.

Foxes' this week have been having PE lessons focusing on dance and following dance routines. We had great fun learning some new moves. Our recent visit from Hayley at Cornwall Climate Care has given us lots to think about and share with other. We all made a promise and are sharing these messages at home. How can you make a difference?

