

LIFTON COMMUNITY ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

17.01.25 Happy New Year to you all. We have had a lovely start to our new term. The children returned to school with a great focus and have just settled in and worked hard. It has been lovely to have school full of the children again. As always it has been busy, the children have started lots of new learning and have been brilliant at applying their prior knowledge. We have welcomed both Mr Legg and Miss Dimmock to year 6 and I know the children have really enjoyed their time with them both. We were very lucky to visit the Pantomime with our KS2 children last week, it was great fun! More details below for you. It has been lovely to have some warmer weather, the bulbs are coming up in the school grounds. Spring is on its way!

Spring Term Overviews: These will be available for you on our <u>website</u> next week. Each class has an overview sharing curriclulm coverage and areas of learning for your children.

MCAS App: just a reminder that we send out lots of information and reminders via the MCAS app for you. Please check your settings on your devices to ensure that you have notifications for MCAS switched on. Thank you.

Pantomime: A very big thank you to FOLs for our KS2 pantomime trip to see Snow White in Plymouth. We had an amazing time. Our favourite character was Muddles, he made us all laugh a lot! The children were brilliant, so many of the audience stopped me after the performance to say how well behaved they were and what beautiful manners they had. Well done team Lifton, so proud of you all living our school values!



Clubs: Clubs will start on Monday 22nd January, details have been sent out to you all today. If you have any questions about clubs please contact <u>lifton@lapsw.org</u>

Day	Name	Club	KS
Monday	Mr Stuckey	Board Games	KS1
	Mr Legg	Amazing Arithmetic	Yr6
Wednesday	Mr Bush	Gymnastics Club	KS1
	Mrs Jenkin	Board Games	KS2
Thursday	Mr Bush	Gymnastics Club	KS2
	Plymouth Argyle	Football	KS1 and KS2
	Miss Dimmock	SATs Club	Yr6

Uniform: Just a reminder that all children are expected to wear school uniform. **You do not need to buy uniform with logos.** All children at Lifton are expected to have a tidy appearance. **Makeup and nail varnish is not permitted**. Please label all clothing as this helps us return misplaced items to children much more easily. **Please ensure children are wearing black school shoes.** FOLs have a large selection of preloved uniform if you need any additional items.

Uniform

- Royal blue sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan
- White or royal blue short sleeved polo shirt with collar
- Grey or black trousers, skirt or pinafore dress
- Socks or tights in any of the uniform colours
- Black sensible shoes. Black trainers are allowed.

PE Kit

- White round necked T-shirt
- Black, navy or royal blue shorts
- A change of footwear trainers. These must be additional to the ones worn to school
- A change of socks
- Jogging trousers in winter



Celebration Award Winners (13.01.25): Well done to everyone!

Values Champion: Sam P Respect Champion: Ben Courtesy Awards: Owls - Alfie C Hedgehogs - Darcie C Otters - Teddy Badgers - Maia Foxes - Riley Headteacher's Awards: Darcie M, Emily EC



21.01.25 Year 5 and 6 Football Tournament 24.01.25 Coffee and Catch up 2.45pm w/b 27.01.25 Parent Consultations 04.02.25 Children's Mental Health Week 05.02.25 Curriculum Open afternoon 2.45pm 11.02.25 Safer Internet Day 14.02.25 Last day of half term 14.02.25 FOLs School Disco 500pm - 600pm 24.02.25 Return to school 26.02.25 Year 6 visit to Ambrosia 28.02.25 Ann Parsons Author visit at school 06.03.25 World Book Day w/b 10.03.25 Science Week 21.03.25 Red Nose Day w/b 24.03.25 Spirituality Week 01.04.25 Easter Service at St Mary's Church



Have a restful weekend. Warmest wishes, **Mrs. Brimacombe**

CLASS NEWS

Wrens and Wagtails have been learning about people who help us. We have been very creative



through making fire engines to making emergency services noises with instruments. We have also talked a lot about the different jobs our Mummy's and Daddy's do and other jobs in the area. We would love to hear from any parents that would like to come and talk about their job. We have also been busy welcoming our new families starting

pre-school – a very big welcome from us all!





Owls have been learning about the artist Alberto Giacometti. He is an artist who is known for creating sculptures predominately out of clay and plaster. When asked 'What do you think a sculpture is'? They came up with a number of fabulous suggesstions. Stanley said 'a scuplture is like a tower,' Billy said he thought a scupture could be made from a variety of materials'. We then discussed the sculptures and worked in partners to create out own stick people using chalk.

Hedgehogs have also been enjoying learning about the artist Alberto Giacometti and how he represents figures through his sculptures. We enjoyed seeing how and where our bodies bend and how this can be recorded through our drawings. In music, we explored different call and response patterns in preperation for call and response patterns with instruments next week.





Otters have started to learn about our bodies digestive system. In our first lesson, we discussed the organs involved in digesting food and what they do. We then completed a (messy) experiment to represent what happens when we eat food.

Badgers have Badgers took an imaginary journey to the centre of the Earth to discover the layers of the Earth. We are very excited to link this new knowledge to how volcanoes and earthquakes are formed.

Foxes have started the new term very positively, with everyone demonstrating super attitudes for learning. During this week, we have been working hard to secure our understanding of ratio in maths - with lots of success. The class have been using multiplicative reasoning, within a variety of questions and real life examples. Well done year 6!