



LIFTON COMMUNITY ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

31.01.25 We have had a busy couple of weeks at Lifton. The children have been working incredibly hard on their learning and have been enjoying new experiences. It has been lovely to be in lessons and see their love of learning. All classes are working hard on their maths fluency and improving their times tables knowledge. We had the pleasure of welcoming Father Phillip to school for our first singing assembly this term, the children enjoyed their singing and have started learning some new songs for their Easter service. Thank you for your attendance at our parent consultation meetings. The teachers really value their time with you and to share your children's progress and learning with you all. We are looking forward to welcoming you into school next week for our Open Curriculum afternoon (details at the end of the newsletter).

Football Fantastic: well done to our yr5 and yr6 football team. They took part in a local school's tournament at Launceston College last week and did amazing well. They came 5th out of 12 teams. Well done team Lifton! They all played brilliantly, and we are very proud of them. Thank you to Mr Stuckey for taking the team and being their cheerleader!



A big **THANK YOU** must go to **AL'S Blast and Paint Shop** for donating the new Lifton school sports kit and for the teacher's kit too. It looks very smart, and the children were so proud to wear them. Thank you again.

Attendance: Our current overall school attendance for the past two weeks is **94.5%**. We of course aim for all our children to be in school every day and achieve 100% attendance. For example, 90% attendance means that your child will have lost 8 days of learning since September. As part of our Celebration Assembly, we will be introducing attendance awards for children with 100% attendance. We look forward to handing out lots of awards! Thank you for your continued support with ensuring your children are in school. Class attendance for the past two weeks is below. The **winners are Hedgehogs on 96%**, well done Hedgehogs!

Owls	Hedgehogs	Otters	Badgers	Foxes
88%	96%	95%	95%	93%

Lifton's Woodland Reading Retreat: All our children have fallen in love with our new library. We are so extremely grateful to all parents and families that support FOLs and their fundraising. This has enabled us to update a tired room and turn it into our library. The room is calm, focused room that all the children love being in. Best of all – they are falling in love with reading! Thank you all for your support, it has truly made a difference to our children.



WE ARE HIRING!

Cleaner – Lifton Community Academy

15 hours per week / 41 weeks per year
£12.26 per hour
Closing Date – Monday 17th February 2025 (9am)
www.lapsw.co.uk/vacancies or email rcourt@lapsw.org

Reminders of upcoming events:

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, thank you for your continued support.

Warmest wishes, *Mrs Brimacombe*

CLASS NEWS

Wrens and Wagtails have had a great time celebrating Chinese New Year. We enjoyed trying new foods, creating lanterns and making Snakes. We also have the Chinese role play set up for the children to enjoy practising using chop sticks. We have also been working on our Physical Development and centre of gravity by jumping and balancing.

Owls have been reminding ourselves of the golden rules and why we have these rules at school. We have also been continuing our art linked with the artist Alberto Giacometti who created sculptures of people made from plaster or clay. As well as twisting pipe cleaners and foil to make stick people we also made our own people designs using paper, popoids and cubes. Please see the photos on seesaw for further photos.

Hedgehogs have also enjoyed making tin foil sculptures, twisting and scrunching the foil to create figures. We have also been exploring all the different types of feelings we have in RHE, eg. joy, anger, disgust, sadness and fear, and how different people may show feelings in different ways.

Otters have been working really hard on their maths and their multiplication. They have learnt about new methods for multiplying by 3 digit numbers. They are all becoming maths champions! They have been exploring sculpture in their Art lessons and finding out about Barbara Hepworth. They have enjoyed sketching her work.

Badgers have been busy learning about Judaism and the Torah. They have enjoying learning from other children what the Torah is and its important to them. They have also been investigating how volcanoes occur and what happens when they do. The children were full of questions and facts. They had great fun, using a volcano model too.

Foxes have been working extremely hard this week with their SATs assessment practice tests. Everyone was focused on doing their best, and it was wonderful to see the mature, resilient and determined way everyone approached the various subject assessments.

Well done year 6 - keep up the super work!

