

LIFTON COMMUNITY ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

A Brighter Future Together!

04.04.25 As we finish the spring term, and the days finally grow longer and brighter it is a time to focus on renewal and new beginnings. Isn't it lovely to see the signs of spring around us, lambs in the fields, buds on trees and spring flowers. The children have spent the week focusing on the new season and what this brings for them. They have embraced this with enthusiam. This was very evident during our Easter service at St Mary's church. I am sure those of you who were able to attend would agree with me, the children performed beautifully, and every class shared a reflection or story of Easter. We are all immensely proud of the children and how they shared our school values during the service. We wish you all a bright and joyful Easter break with your families and friends.

KS2 Cross Country Event: thank you to the KS2 parents and families that took their KS2 children to the second cross country event across West Devon. The children were brilliant and had a great time. It was very windy, and the children had to run into the wind. However, they did really well, and it was a pleasure to watch them all. A big thank you to FOLs for the lovely new flag. It made finding each other much easier!







Thank you: A big thank you from me for your kind words, lovely gifts and thoughtful cards on my last day with team Lifton. Thank you for all your support during my time as Interim Head. I wish you all and the amazing Lifton children all the best for the future. Thank you again.

Tulip Fest: A big thank you to Strawberry Fields for inviting us all to their Tulip Fest. We had an amazing time, it was lovely to see the tulips in full bloom. The sun shone and all the children had a brilliant tim exploring the tulip field and completing the activities. Thank you again to the Mounce family for inviting us, it was a really special way to end the Spring term. Lots of photos at the end of this newsletter!

Goodbye to Mrs Kinger and Mrs Russell: this week we said goodbye to Mrs Russell and Mrs Kinger, they are both moving on to new adventures and roles. We had a special assembly to say good bye to them both. They loved the class cards from the children. Both take with them lots of special memories from their time at Lifton. We will miss them lots and wish them good luck in their new roles.





Year 6: The leavers hoodies arrived on the last day of term and were quickly unpacked and shared with our year 6 children. We think they look amazing. Good luck for summer term year 6!







FOLs Easter Egg Hunt: Thank you to FOLs for providing an eggcellent easter egg hunt. The children had great fun hunting around the school grounds finding the coloured corks for the house teams. Thank you to parents and FOLs for their donations that enabled every child to have an Easter egg each.

Summer term: Just a reminder that the summer term starts on Wednesday 23rd April.

Have a restful Easter break.

Warmest wishes, Mrs Brimacombe

CLASS NEWS

Wrens and Wagtails have been learning about Superworm over the past couple of weeks. The children have enjoyed looking at smaller and longer worms and using the cubes to count the length. We have also been on bug hunts around the school looking for superworm. We hope you all have a lovely Easter break.

Owls have enjoyed learning about bridges this half term. We have explored building them using a variety of construction materials and have designed and made bridges. We particularly enjoyed our walk around Lifton where we were able to look at the local bridges in the village and identify what type of bridge it is. We also looked at the early signs of Spring and identified many wildflowers and observed the buds starting to sprout.

Hedgehogs have enjoyed learning about life cycles in science and the different things animals and humans need to stay alive. We have been watching footage, filmed from a local birdhouse camera, documenting the activities of a bluetit; making her nest, collecting moss and feathers and we are hoping that after Easter we will return to see some eggs.

Otters have loved our PE lessons this term. For most of us, we have been learning two new sports and the skills needed to be successful in them. Mr Bush has been teaching us how to play handball and we have been working hard to remember the '3 steps to one bounce' rule when traveling with the ball. Mr Stuckey has been teaching us how to play tag rugby, where we have been learning about positioning and working as a team to gain terretory and keep possession. We have loved the opportunity to use these skills to take part in matches this week.

Badgers have produced some stunning examples of science fiction writing this half term. They were inspired by the story 'Cosmic' and have been particularly focusing on 'showing not telling' how the characters are feeling. They have also worked extremely hard to develop their editing and proof reading skills. Well done Badgers – I am incredibly proud of your final writes.

Foxes have enjoyed exploring the book 'Thornhill' this half term in English. We have explored other spooky stories and we are learning how to write our own story full of suspense and intrigue. Year 6 have been making their own predictions on how the story will end and producing some insightful theories on who the character 'Mary' is. We are all looking forward to writing our stories when we come back after the Easter holidays.



















