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Lydiard Millicent CE Primary Newsletter

Believe ~ Learn ~ Grow

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THIS TERM'S VALUE IS:

Thankfulness

"Always be thankful."

1 Thessalonians 5.16



DON'T FORGET...

To register for your child's

Flu Vaccinations on

15th October



Dear Parents/Carers,

The end of another great week which saw our new EYFS pupils end their transition period and begin full time at Lydiard Millicent and the first time this September where a wet weather plan was necessary. All children (and staff) took this in their stride and adapted to new arrangements brilliantly. Classrooms have been busy with the addition of school council elections and planning for our Recovery Curriculum 'Grand Design Project', the Circle of Hope. These will be shared with our school community very soon so watch this space!


As we are unable to hold whole school merit assemblies at present we would like to remind you that merit owls continue to be awarded and delivered home via email on a Friday. Each week there will be two certificates sent per class. Firstly, a learning behaviour owl for demonstrating either Sapphire power (focus) or Ruby power (kindness) or Diamond power (independence) or Emerald power (courage) or Topaz power (working cooperatively) and secondly a value owl awarded for a child who has demonstrated this term's value of Thankfulness.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

Mrs dos Santos and Mrs C Luce

ATTENDANCE:



| | % Attendance to date |
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| EYFS | 97% |
| YEAR 1 | 99.4%  |
| YEAR 2 | 94.4% |
| YEAR 3 | 93.9% |
| YEAR 4 | 93.9% |
| YEAR 5 | 94.3% |
| YEAR 6 | 90.8% |

LUNCHES

Children will have the opportunity to order a hot meal option for three days next week.

On Wednesday 30th September

This will be Sausage (Meat, Vegetation or Halal Chicken), Mash, Peas and Carrots or Jacket Potato (Cheese or Beans).

Fresh Baked Cookie or Fresh Cut Fruits



On Thursday 1st October

This will be Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges and Green Beans or Jacket Potato (Cheese or Beans)

Chocolate Custard Pot or Fresh Cut Fruits

On Friday 2nd October

This will be Fish Fingers, Chips and Peas or Beans

Jacket Potato (Cheese or Beans)

Chocolate Flapjack or Fresh Cut Fruits

From **Monday 5th October** we will be offering an introductory hot dinner menu every day which can be viewed on the [school website](#).

HARVEST FESTIVAL



Our Harvest Festival Service is on Friday 2nd October. Due to the current situation this is will take place within school via zoom and the service will include poems, prayers and an address by Rev. Tudor Roberts. Unfortunately, this year parents will be unable to join us for this celebration.

Each year we encourage children to bring one item of non-perishable food or bathroom supplies which we collect and send to the Swindon Food Collective for distribution to local families in need, for example coffee, milk, sugar, juice or toilet rolls. It is an excellent opportunity for children to take a moment to think about our value of the term and consider how thankful we are that we all have enough to eat. The children bring the items to their classroom and put them in the boxes provided in each room.

They are particularly short of:

Instant coffee, 100g, Longlife milk (1ltr/0.5ltr), Longlife fruit juice/squash (1ltr), Small bags of sugar (500g), Tinned Fruit and Vegetables, Tinned potatoes, Biscuits

Items they are always in need of:

Fruit juice, Tinned fruit, Tinned meat, Tinned tomatoes, Tinned puddings, Toiletries (Shampoo, conditioner, razors, shower gel, shaving foam, soap, toilet rolls) and re-usable carrier bags.

THANK YOU FOR DONATING

RECOVERY CURRICULUM

We understand that as part of our recovery as a school, there may be members of our wider school community who have suffered bereavement in the recent months or who may be going through a grieving process. On our school website, we have uploaded some leaflets dealing with the issues of bereavement and coping with trauma. You will find these leaflets under the "Covid 19 support" section of the website. We hope that these leaflets will be useful.

[Coping with Trauma and Loss](#)

[Cruse Support Leaflet](#)

[Understanding Bereavement](#)



MICROSOFT OFFICE LICENSES

We are pleased to be able to offer all students a license for Microsoft Office, if you would like your child's username and password please send an email to admin@lydiardmillicentceps.org



NUT FREE SCHOOL

Our school aims to be a nut free school as we have children with severe food allergies. We therefore ask you to ensure that products containing nuts are not brought into school for any purpose.

Many thanks for your support with this.

LYDIARD'S GOT TALENT!

If you would like your child to be mentioned for an out of school achievement, please email admin@lydiardmillicentceps.org with 'Out of School Achievement' as the subject. In the email, please include what you would like mentioned. Unless you state otherwise, we will use a child's first name and their year group.

Protecting your child against flu

As you are aware the plan this year is for the biggest flu campaign ever delivered. If you haven't already, please do follow the link (<https://schoolimms.virginicare.co.uk/flu/2020/wilts>) to complete consent for your child to receive this vaccine at their school session. Flu vaccinations at Lydiard are currently scheduled for the 15th October. Alongside this we will offer community clinics throughout the season for if you child misses their vaccine at school. Some children are more at risk from Flu and for these medically vulnerable children we would like to offer early clinics to ensure they are protected at the earliest opportunity. If you believe your child fits into this category please contact our Single Point of Access (SPA) on 0300 247 0082 to book into a clinic that is convenient to you.

Flu vaccinations at Lydiard are currently scheduled for the 15th October.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND PUPIL PREMIUM

Who is entitled to free school meals?

FSM/Pupil Premium can be awarded only if you receive any of the following:

- Income Support
- Job Seeker's Allowance (income-based)
- Employment and Support Allowance (income-related)
- support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit - providing you are NOT entitled to Working Tax Credit and your family's annual income (as assessed by HMRC) is not more than £16,190 (as at 6 April 2012)
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' - the payment you may receive for a further four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- 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)

Did you know that registering your child for free school meals means that the school gets extra money?

The government is giving money to schools to help children from lower income families do their very best. This funding is called Pupil Premium.

For every child registered the school gets £1345.

Please remember you must qualify and register for free school meals for the school to receive the extra money even if you do not want your child to have the free school meals.

<https://pages.wiltshire.gov.uk/schoolseducationandlearning/schoolsandcolleges/parentadvice/educationgrants/freeschoolmeals/freeschoolmealsform.htm>

We must keep on protecting each other.



HANDS



FACE



SPACE

STAY ALERT › CONTROL THE VIRUS › SAVE LIVES



If your child has:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in, sense of
smell or taste

This could be a sign of
coronavirus

[Book a test](#)

If your child has:
a runny nose, is sneezing or
feeling unwell
But they don't have:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in,
sense of smell or taste

These are
**not normally symptoms of
coronavirus**

Seek advice from a pharmacy, dial
111 or see your GP

For the attention of all parents

Will your child be transferring to a secondary school in September 2021?

You must apply for a secondary school place

Apply online at www.wiltshire.gov.uk

Application forms for Wiltshire residents are also available at all Wiltshire Council Offices.

**The deadline for applications is
Midnight on 31 October 2020**

All forms must be returned to the school admissions team at County Hall, Trowbridge.

Ring customer services on 01225 713010 for more information or to request our guide - Finding a secondary school place in Wiltshire

Wiltshire Council

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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

CLASS 1 Charlie K, Imogen A, Olivia B

CLASS 3 Benjamin B, Rylan R, Sidney R

CLASS 4 Lavaranna S, Logan C, Tristan T

CLASS 5 Charlie E

CLASS 6 Oliver C, Piper B



DIARY DATES

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| Oct | 2 | Harvest Celebration (Children only) - Donations to Swindon Food Collective |
| | 13 | School Photos - Individual only (No Preschool or family photos) |
| | 15 | Flu Vaccinations (All year groups) |
| | 21 | Break up for half term - normal time |
| Nov | 2 | DBAT Training Day |
| | 3 | Term 2 starts |