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...supported by Christian values... every child matters to God.



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Term 1 – Issue 1

FROM THE HEAD

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the new school year. This year will no doubt be another exciting one, packed with learning for all of us. The new year seems an appropriate time to mention one or two things which are close to my heart, specifically about learning. We talk with the children about 'fixed mindset' and 'growth mindset', terms used by Carol Dweck, a professor at Stanford University, to explore the idea that we can get better at learning – essentially we can grow our intelligence. Too often we believe we'll never be good at something (fixed mindset) – I often hear comments from adults and children along the lines of 'I'll never be any good at spelling (or music or maths or whatever)' or 'I was never any good at . . . when I was at school'.

It is so important we *believe* we will be successful. Maybe not immediately and maybe not to the extent we'd like to be but we can certainly get better than we are at the moment (growth mindset). If we assume we'll fail, there is a good chance we will. Successful athletes, business people and others will tend to have a very positive mental picture of the outcome of their race or negotiations. Of course we also need to work at improvement, putting in time and effort, otherwise we won't get anywhere.

As we start this year, let's all of us believe we can get better and while we are at it, let's encourage those around us to get better too. Be positive. Work hard. Let's see what we can achieve!

Richard Hearn

NEWS

School Lunches and Universal Free School Meals

All pupils in reception, year 1 and year 2 are entitled to universal free school meals. If you would like your child to receive a school meal, orders must be made on line **by 9am Friday** for the following week. Orders cannot be accepted after this time due to the high demand for school meals. If you miss the deadline, your child will need to bring in a packed lunch.

To order please visit www.suebradycatering.com The School Meals Order form has an option that will allow parent's contact details and children's meal profiles to be 'remembered'. If this option is selected the next time you use the order form relevant fields will automatically fill with your details.

If your child is in reception, year 1, year 2 or is entitled to FSM enter the following code:

sbc18

The deadline for termly ordering has now passed but if you would like to order termly, the next opportunity will be in December for the following term. Look out for emails with more information about this in December.

If you have any issues ordering on line, please call Sue Brady on 01672 519200 or email services@suebradycatering.com

Judo Club

Judo club will start next Friday 15th September. Letters have been sent out today with all the details and if your child would like to try Judo for the first time, please complete the slip and return to school by next Friday. Judo is a very popular club with many of our pupils attending the summer club run by Mark. Out of all the schools attending, Lacock gained 2nd place. Well done to all who competed.



Celebration Assembly

A reminder about our celebration assembly which is held every Friday afternoon starting at 2.45pm. This is an opportunity to celebrate the achievements of our pupils and everyone is welcome to attend. We look forward to welcoming you.



Breakfast Club

IN2SPORT are delighted to be continuing to run Lacock Primary schools Breakfast club and would love to see your children there!



MULTI-SPORT MONDAY – A variety of different sports
ICT TUESDAY – A variety of games on the computers
WORKING TOGETHER WEDNESDAY – Fun games and team building activities
TIME FOR ART THURSDAY – Arts and Crafts day
FANCY FOOD AND FOOTBALL FRIDAY – Food themed weeks with football games

Times: 7.45 – 8.45 Years: All years Dates: Starts 04/09/17 and runs every school day.

Cost: £3.50 per child per day (£3.00 for two or more children from the same family)


Governor of the Month


To start the new year our 'Governor of the Month' for September will be Rev. Adam Beaumont. Adam is Chair of Governors and he also has particular responsibility for continuing and developing our links with the church. He can be contacted via chair@lacockprimary.org and would love to hear from parents.


Moving house?


Lock & Key estate agents based in Melksham support village schools by donating 10% of their sales commission to a nominated school. If you, or anyone connected to you, is thinking of selling and Lock & Key act as the agent, please nominate Lacock School to receive the donation. For more details call Lock & Key on 01225 707342.

REMINDERS

	<p>Reception from September 2017</p> <p>We plan to run a phased start for our Reception children starting on Monday 11th September, 2017. The details are as follow:</p> <p>Week beginning Monday 11th September 8.45am – 1pm Children will stay for the morning and lunch</p> <p>Week beginning Monday 18th September 8.45am – 3.15pm Children will stay all day</p> <p>As we said at our induction meeting, some children may need longer to settle into the school routine. If you have any concerns about your child please speak to us and we will be more than happy to discuss the above arrangements with you.</p> <p>Please do not hesitate to contact us if you need any further information or have any questions.</p>
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	<p>School Blog</p> <p>The school blog is updated every Friday with class news and photos. Parents/carers are encouraged to read and comment on the blog which is updated regularly by the children. It would be great for the children to see comments from parents/carers. You can find it on our web site or go to http://lacockprimaryschool.blogspot.co.uk</p>
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	<p>Uniform</p> <p>As many pupils have new uniform as we start back at school, can parents please ensure all uniform is named so that we can reunite children with lost items. Uniform is available through our supplier, Scholars, (www.scholars-uk.com) or telephone number (01249) 656600).</p> <p>Thank you.</p>
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<p>Teacher Development Days 2017/2018</p> <p>The following dates will be teacher development days when the school is closed to pupils:</p> <p>Friday 1st September Wednesday 18th October Monday 19th February Monday 4th June Wednesday 25th July</p>	
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Letters sent home in the last fortnight		
Subject	Children/classes	Date Issued

Please be aware that from time to time we are asked to publicise events from other groups / organisations. While we are happy to advertise events and distribute letters from third parties, we do not endorse them and it is for parents/carers to check the reliability and safety of these events/companies.

Dates for 2017- 2018

All dates are subject to change. We will give as much notice of any changes as possible.

September 2017	
Monday 4 th	Term 1 starts for pupils in years 1 – 6
Monday 11 th	Term 1 starts for Reception pupils 8.45am – 1pm
Monday 18 th	Reception pupils start full time school

October 2017	
Tuesday 17 th	Term 1 ends for pupils
Wednesday 18 th	TD day – no school for pupils
Monday 30 th	Term 2 starts
December 2017	
Wednesday 20 th	Christmas service 1.30pm
Wednesday 20 th	Term 2 ends for pupils at 2.30pm
January 2018	
Thursday 4 th	Term 3 starts
February 2018	
Friday 9 th	Term 3 ends
Monday 19 th	TD day – no pupils in school
Tuesday 20 th	Term 4 starts
March 2018	
Thursday 29 th	Easter Service 1.30pm
Thursday 29 th	Term 4 ends for pupils at 2.30pm
April 2018	
Monday 16 th	Term 5 begins
May 2018	
Monday 7 th	Bank holiday – no pupils in school
Friday 25 th	Term 5 ends for pupils
June 2018	
Monday 4 th	TD day – no pupils in school
Tuesday 5 th	Term 6 begins for pupils
July 2018	
Tuesday 24 th	Leavers' service 1.30pm
Tuesday 24 th	Term 6 ends for pupils at 2.30pm
Wednesday 25 th	TD day – no pupils in school