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Thursday 16th December

Term 2 – Issue 6

FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents/Carers

Phew - what an end to a very busy term!

We are all so sad that not all the events planned for December have not been able to happen but we have tried really hard to make sure the children still experience the excitement and magic of Christmas. We had an absolutely brilliant time at the Pantomime last week. We extend our heartfelt thanks to FLS for providing the funds for the panto tickets.



We were also very pleased to welcome lots of families to our lovely Lacock Lantern Parade! We were all so lucky with the weather and the children really enjoyed showing their lanterns to their friends. (Thank you to all the parents/grandparents etc. who helped make them! Hope the video helped!) Thank you to all that came and for making the event definitely one to remember!

Willow Class have been very busy rehearsing for their Nativity Play, Shine, Star, Shine. Due to the recommendations from Wiltshire Council, we have not been able to hold live performances. However, Mrs Ley and the team have filmed the play (with slightly limited numbers of children!). Mrs Ley is working hard on editing the film and hopes to send the link to you via Tapestry next week. Thank you to all Willow staff for all their hard work towards the Nativity and thank you to parents and carers for supplying costumes. It has been a challenge this year but we hope the end result will be something for parents and carers to cherish for years to come.

Ofsted inspectors joined us for the first 2 days of December. We are not expecting the report to be out until mid-January but they did feedback some very positive comments from parents; so thank you very much for these!

All the staff and governors wish everyone a very happy, safe and healthy Christmas holiday and very best wishes for the new year. We look forward to seeing you all in 2022!

Caroline Jackson
Interim Headteacher

Christmas Service and End of Term Arrangements

As we are sure you have already realised, we will not be having a Christmas service this year.

We plan to finish school on Friday 17th December at 2.30pm. If you are unable to collect your child at this time, please let the class teacher know.



Staff News

We are very sad to say goodbye to Mrs Hipkin-Fox at the end of this week as she has secured a new teaching post in a school in Melksham.

Mrs Hipkin-Fox joined the school 4 years ago and this year she has been teaching all classes across the school and I'm sure she will be missed by all the children.

We wish her all the best in the future and thank her for her hard work and commitment to teaching all the children at Lacock C of E Primary School.

We welcome Mrs Tedds who will teach in Willow Class on Thursday morning and Beech Class all day Wednesday. We also welcome Mrs Brown who is joining our team in Oak Class on a Thursday afternoon and all day Friday.

Start of Term - Tuesday January 4th

We are planning to start the new term as normal in January with the same school arrangements that we currently have, but as we know from this time last year, the situation may change at the last minute depending on the pandemic.

We will send any information via Parentmail but will also inform parents via Tapestry. Please check emails the day before term starts.

There will be only be an update if there are any changes.

Covid Update

As I know many of you are aware, we have been hit by a 'tidal wave' of covid cases this week and thank parents for keeping us updated with the PCR results of their children.

We hope that any children or parents that are poorly, make a speedy recovery before Christmas Day next week.

We have been in contact with Public Health England and the Local Authority and we are following all their recommendations.

We hope you have been able to all book your booster jabs.

Message from Mary, Team Vicar

Services over the Christmas period.

19th December	10.30am All Age worship 6.00pm Carol Service
24th December	4.00pm Great Big Nativity

25th December
(Book of Common Prayer)

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Family Communion

All are most welcome at any of these services. Please will you wear a mask unless aged 11 or younger or if you are exempt, and especially when singing. Please wrap up warm as we will be ensuring lots of ventilation in church.

Any questions please contact Mary, the Team Vicar, on vicar@corshamandlacockchurches.org.uk or 07847583005.



Consultation on the proposed admissions criteria and admission arrangements

Wiltshire Council is consulting on the proposed admissions criteria and admission arrangements for its Community & Voluntary Controlled Schools for the 2023/24 academic year. It is also consulting on the proposed schemes for co-ordination of admissions to all maintained schools and academies for the 2023/24 academic year.

The consultation began on Friday 3 December 2021 and it ends on Friday 21 January 2022.

The consultation documents can be accessed by clicking on the link below.

www.wiltshire.gov.uk/schools-learning-admissions-consultation

To respond to this consultation please send your comments by email to admissions@wiltshire.gov.uk or you can write to:

School Admissions Team
Wiltshire Council
Bythesea Road
Trowbridge
Wiltshire
BA14 8JN

For the attention of all parents

Will your child be four years old before September 2022?

You must apply for a primary school place.

Apply online at wiltshire.gov.uk or complete an application form, available at all Wiltshire Council offices.

The deadline for applications is

12 midnight, 15 January 2022

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

Contact customer services on **01225 713010**

For more information or to request our guide to finding a primary school place in Wiltshire.

Wiltshire Council

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A reminder to apply for a primary school place by midnight 15th January 2022.

Letters sent home via Parentmail in the last fortnight

Subject	Class / year group	Date
Covid letter warn and inform	All	13 th December
Staff news	All	15 th December

Dates for 2021 – 2022

Some events (*in italics*) are run by Friends of Lacock School (FLS) and are not yet confirmed.

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

December 2021	
Friday 17 th	Term 2 ends at 2.30pm
January 2022	
Tuesday 4 th	Term 3 begins for all pupils
February 2022	
Friday 18 th	Term 3 ends
Monday 28 th	TD Day (no pupils in school)
March 2022	
Tuesday 1 st	Term 4 begins for all pupils
April 2022	
Friday 8 th	Term 4 ends
Monday 25 th	Term 5 begins for all pupils
May 2022	
Monday 2 nd	May Day Holiday (no pupils in school)
Friday 27 th	Term 5 ends
June 2022	
Monday 6 th	TD Day (no pupils in school)
July 2022	
Monday 4 th	TD Day (no pupils in school)
Friday 22 nd	Term 6 ends

We would like to take this opportunity
to wish our parents, carers, pupils, staff and governors a
Happy Christmas
and a safe and healthy
New Year

