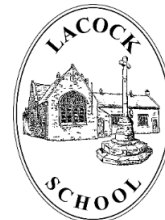


"Love each other as I have loved you"
John 15:12



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Thursday 14th November

Term 2 Issue 5

A message from Mr Laws

We are well and truly into the Christmas term at Lacock Primary School, with SO many different events coming up this term, from our **Lantern Parade**, **Nativity**, **Pantomime** and **Christmas Church Service**, as well as plenty of other exciting events, such as Oak Class' trip to **STEAM**, Beech Class' **Voices For Life** performance this week, **Children In Need Spots & Stripes mufti** on Friday, and much, much more! It is going at 100 miles an hour at Lacock Primary School...just the way things should be!



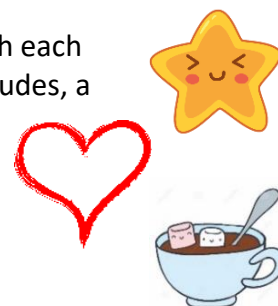
Next week, we will be holding our **Parents' Evenings** where you can find out more about how your child has settling into this year and to get a picture of their academic progress so far. If you haven't yet signed up, please add your names to the sign-up board which can be found on the playground each morning/afternoon, or phone the school office to make an appointment. There will also be a **Year 6 SATs Workshop** this term (details below) for parents and children, so please make sure you attend to find out more

What a wonderful start to the term! We hope you have a lovely weekend from all in the Lacock Primary School team!

Mr A Laws

Celebration Awards

Every Friday, we celebrate the achievements of our children in our Celebration Worship, with each class choosing a **Star of the Week Award** for being a superstar in learning, behaviour or attitudes, a **School Values Award** for demonstrating our school values, and a **Hot Chocolate Award** for consistently doing the right thing!



Congratulations to the following children who were selected in **Term 2 Week 1**:

Willow Class



Jesse S, Elsie & Forest

Beech Class



James, Josh & Alfie

Oak Class



Astrid, Kian & Toby & Zak

Spotlight on Learning: A Look Inside Our Classrooms This Term



Willow Class invited **Wise Owls Pre-School** children for a Stay and Play session this week, as an opportunity to make new friends with the children who may be joining our school next year! They had a lovely afternoon together, where Willow Class showed them around the class, explored in continuous provision and taught Wise Owls all about the Lacock Vision. We are excited for the next Stay and Play, where Willow Class will be visiting Wise Owls!



Beech Class's are learning all about Cricket in PE this term, with lessons led by a coach from Chance to Shine, who is also leading lunchtime and after school clubs. This week, they learnt how to hold and use the cricket bat correctly, and developed fielding skills too during an exciting game at the end of the lesson!



Oak Class are becoming graphic designers in their Computing lessons, learning how to create vector drawings! Vector drawings are drawings made on a computer using lines and shapes which are put together to form an image. They are often used for logos and we can find them all around us! They learnt how to use <https://docs.google.com/drawings> to create and save vector drawings of buildings to a class account, which they can come back to and edit later. We learnt how to create shapes and lines (called objects) and manipulate them, move them, change their colour and size to create pictures.



FLS Bonfire & Fireworks Night goes off with a BANG!

We were very lucky again this year to be able to hold our fantastic **Bonfire and Fireworks Night** at Owl Lodge last week. The event was expertly run by the **Friends of Lacock School (FLS)** who did a fabulous job, keeping everyone safe and selling sparklers and glow sticks as well as a variety of hot food and drinks, sweets and candy floss.

The evening **raised almost £300** for the school, and we would like to say a big thank you to the Doel family for hosting us at Owl Lodge and to the FLS for ensuring the night went off with a bang!



Lacock Primary School Remembers



On **Monday 11th November**, Lacock Primary School gathered on our school playground for an act of remembrance, to give thanks and remember those who have dedicated their lives to fight for our freedom, listening to some poems, prayers and readings, before holding a two minute silence.

Lacock Parish Council Petition: Pedestrian Safety

A message from **Lacock Parish Council**: *"Wilts Council's action has placed School children at increased risk when entering/leaving school walking between parked cars directly onto the highway; emergency evacuation of school via their main gate can no longer be relied on. Pedestrians with mobility issues, wheelchairs, children's buggies etc. can no longer safely access facilities and amenities they need; they are also at increased risk when entering/leaving their residences. There is now also an increased likelihood of vehicles parking close to building accesses obstructing customers and emergency services, obstructing light and increasing pollution into homes."*



Please sign the Parish Council petition here or by scanning the QR code:
<https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/mqEPetitionDisplay.aspx?id=101> "

Children In Need: Spots & Stripes: Friday 15th November



On **Friday 15th November**, we will be inviting pupils to come into school wearing spots and/or stripes for **Children In Need**. A donation of £2 is suggested.

Parents Evenings: Monday 18th, Tuesday 19th & Thursday 21st November

Next week will be holding **Parents' Evenings** as an opportunity to find out about your child's learning and progress so far this academic year. They will be held on the following dates:

Monday 18th November: 1:00pm-5:30pm (Oak Class only)

Tuesday 19th November: 3:30pm-5:30pm (All Classes)

Thursday 21st November: 3:30pm-5:30pm (Willow and Beech Class)

We will be sharing information on how to sign up for specific slots after half term, so please keep an eye on ParentMail for further information.



Year 6 SATs Meeting: Monday 6th December

Year 6 SATs

On Monday 6th December at 3:30pm, Mrs White will be leading a **SATs Workshop** in Oak Class for Year 6 parents and their children. The workshop aims to give a picture of what SATs will involve, what the journey towards SATs looks like for our children, and how families can help at home over the coming months.

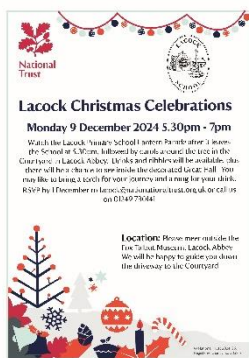
Open Mornings: Monday 2nd December

Do you know any parents whose children are **starting school in September 2025** or interested in **transferring schools in-year**? Please share the attached poster for our next **Open Mornings on Monday 2nd December**, meeting at 9:30am in the Village Hall.

Call 01249 730271 to book. **Individual tours** can also be booked upon request.



Christmas Lantern Parade: Monday 9th December



On **Monday 9th December** at 5:30pm, with the support of the National Trust we will be holding our annual **Christmas Lantern Parade**, one of our most beautiful events of the school year! The children will make their way around the village singing carols, followed by carols around the tree in the Courtyard in Lacock Abbey. Drinks and nibbles will be available, plus there will be a chance to see inside the decorated Great Hall.

If you don't have last year's lanterns, Mrs Crowe will be leading **two workshops for parents and children to make new ones**; if you'd like to participate, please complete the Forms questionnaire which was sent via ParentMail this week. See the full poster at the end of the newsletter for further information about the event!

Willow Class Nativity, "A Little Bird Told Me": Tuesday 10th December



Tuesday 10th December will see our youngest children, Willow Class, performing their annual Nativity! There will be two performances, one at 1:30pm and another at 5:30pm. Further details will be shared shortly by Mrs Ley, but make sure to book the dates/times into your diaries...it's sure to be a wonderful Christmas treat!

Online Safety: Parent guide when buying Devices this Christmas



With Black Friday and Cyber Monday over and Christmas fast approaching there are plenty of **new gadgets that you may be thinking about buying for your children**.

The following guide contains advice for parents and carers to help them get to grips with the safety features available on the most popular gadgets this Christmas, as well as some key questions to ask

before buying connected toys. Access the guide by clicking here or scanning the QR code:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/blog/things-to-consider-when-buying-tech-gifts-this-christmas>



Lacock Primary School Safeguarding Team

At Lacock Primary School, **the safeguarding and welfare of all children in our care is of the utmost importance and highest priority.** If you have any concerns about the safety or wellbeing of a child, no matter how big or small, please contact a member of the Lacock Primary School Safeguarding Team as soon as possible; there will *always* be a member of the team available to address your concerns.



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Letters sent home via ParentMail in the last fortnight

Subject	Class / year group	Date

Diary Dates for 2024 /2025

*Some events (in italics) are run by Friends of Lacock School (FLS) and some may not confirmed.
All dates are subject to change. We will give as much notice of any changes as possible.*

November 2024

Friday 15th	Voices for Life Concert (Beech Class)
Monday 18th	Parents' Evening: 1:00pm-5:30pm (Oak Class only)
Tuesday 19th	Parents' Evening: 3:30pm-5:30pm (All Classes)
Thursday 21st	Parents' Evening: 3:30pm-5:30pm (Willow and Beech Class)

December 2024

Monday 2nd	Open Morning: 9:30am (Meet in Village Hall)
	Y6 SATs Workshop (For parents and children)
Monday 9th	Christmas Lantern Parade – see above for details
Tuesday 10th	Willow Class Nativity (1:30pm & 5:30pm at the Village Hall)
Wednesday 11th	Whole School Panto – details to follow
Thursday 19th	2:30pm Christmas Service at St Cyriac's Church (all welcome) 3:15pm Term 2 ends
Friday 20th	TD day (no children in school)

January 2025

Monday 6th	Term 3 begins
Tuesday 7th	Swimming lessons for oak class begins (every Tuesday for 6 weeks) details to follow

February 2025

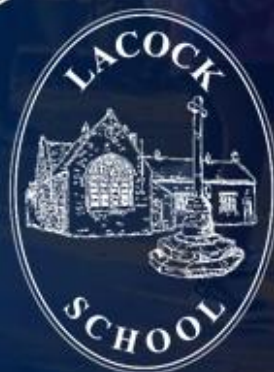
Friday 14th	Term 3 ends
Monday 24th	Term 4 begins

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.



Lacock Primary School

"Where the whole village is our school!"



DECEMBER OPEN MORNING

Monday 2th December 2024

Starts at 9:30am in Lacock Village Hall

Call 01249 730271 to book

- Small Class Sizes • Historic Setting
- Enriching Curriculum • Local Pre-School
- Breakfast Club & After-School Clubs

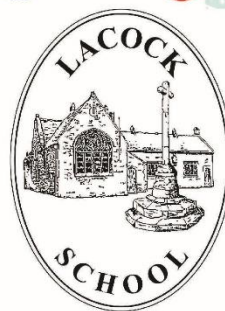
Individual tours also available upon request


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Lacock Christmas Celebrations

Monday 9 December 2024 5.30pm - 7pm

Watch the Lacock Primary School Lantern Parade after it leaves the School at 5.30pm, followed by carols around the tree in the Courtyard in Lacock Abbey. Drinks and nibbles will be available, plus there will be a chance to see inside the decorated Great Hall. You may like to bring a torch for your journey and a mug for your drink.

RSVP by 1 December to lacock@nationaltrust.org.uk or call us on 01249 730141

Location: Please meet outside the Fox Talbot Museum, Lacock Abbey. We will be happy to guide you down the driveway to the Courtyard.



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