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Dear Parents/Carers

Harvest Festival

Change of date - this will now be held on Wednesday 11th October at Lamphey Church.

The school will be holding its annual Harvest Festival at Lamphey Church. Please could all children wear school uniform and bring an item of non-perishable food (dried or tinned). All food donated will be given to PATCH. Due to the size of the church this will only be open to pupils of the school.

Attendance and Penalty Notices

The school continues to have an attendance target of 95.7% for 2023/2024.

If your child will be absent from school, please ensure that you have contacted the school before 9.30am (by telephone, email or via MySchoolApp). If attendance is being noted as a concern, the Education Welfare Officer will be contacted to offer support to the family. If attendance remains low, there is a possibility that a Penalty Notice will be enforced. Please read attached leaflet for details.

Healthy Eating

Lamphey Primary School continues to be a healthy eating school, and it is wonderful to see so many children bringing healthy snacks and lunchboxes. We would be grateful if all parents/carers could ensure a healthy snack is brought into school for each breaktime and, where necessary, lunch, and that any grapes or cherry tomatoes be cut either in half lengthways or into quarters to reduce the risk of choking. We also ask that nuts are **not** brought in due to allergies within classes.

Asymmetric Week

Thank you to all those who completed the questionnaire with regard to the continuation of the asymmetric week. 103 responses were received, with 63% agreeing to continue with four longer days and a shorter day on Fridays for the pupils, allowing staff training to be completed on alternate Friday afternoons.

ParentPay

We are in the final stages of setting up this payment app and are hoping that this will 'go live' this week. Once we have the information for parents, we will email it out.





Early Morning Breakfast and After School Care Clubs

Early Morning Breakfast Care Club will continue to run from 8.10am to 8.45am. There will be no charge for this facility.

After School Care Club will now be running from 3.35pm to 5pm. There will be a charge for this facility of £5 per child/per session, which will be made payable through ParentPay. Invoices will be sent out to parents/carers of children who have attended After School Care Club during September.

School Ambassadors

Congratulations to Caleb and Eva who have been elected as School Ambassadors and are being supported in their role by the Year 6 School Councillors, Layla and Amya. It is their wish that the school will raise money for the following charities:

- PATCH
- JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation)
- NRAS (National Rheumatoid Arthritis Society)

As one of their first roles they have contributed to the 2023/24 School Development Plan, where they will be supporting the Governing Body and myself in developing and writing a Homework Policy.

After School Activity Clubs

The following clubs are running this half term. All clubs will finish at 4.15pm unless otherwise stated.

Monday - Rugby (Years 3 and 4)
Gardening (Year 2)

Tuesday - Netball (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6)

Wednesday - Coding (Years 5 & 6)
Surfing with Outer Reef (Years 5 & 6)

Thursday - Football (Years 5 and 6)

Please note that the clubs held in school will NOT be running during the 'Meet the Teacher' week (2nd to 5th October). Surfing Club will be held.

School Meals

All Primary School children are now entitled to a free meal at school every day. There will be no change to how meals are ordered each morning. We would like to encourage as many children as possible to take these up.





Dates for your Diary

2nd to 5th October

Wednesday 11th October

Monday 16th October

Friday 27th October

30th October to 3rd November

Monday 6th November

Tuesday 7th November

20th to 23rd November

Friday 22nd December

'Meet the Teachers'

Harvest Festival

Shwmae Day. More information to follow.

Cycling Proficiency - Bike Checks (Dosbarth Amroth).

Information has been distributed to pupils.

Last day of half term

Half term break

Inset Closure Day

School reopens to pupils

Individual/Family Photographs. More information to follow.

Cycling Proficiency (Dosbarth Amroth)

Last day of Autumn Term (Please note that there will be

NO Homework Club on this day. All pupils must be collected by 1.15pm)

Yours sincerely

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