



High Littleton Church of England Primary School 25th October 2019

"Valuing all God's children within an inclusive community."

Ofsted
Outstanding
2013 | 2014

One down, five to go!

As we come to the end of the first term, I would like to extend my thanks to all the children at High Littleton Primary School. Thank you for being such well-behaved, polite and well-mannered pupils. Thank you for working hard in class even when the going gets tough. Thank you for doing your best in all that is asked of you. I have had the pleasure this term in visiting the classes on many occasions, and it's great to see that the children are motivated and engaged in their learning.

Headteacher's Tea Party: Many congratulations to the children who attended my first Headteacher's Tea Party of this new academic year. As you will be aware, two children from each class are chosen to attend as they have consistently followed the school's Golden Rules during this term. The children were presented with a golden envelope and enclosed was an invitation to the Tea Party. Congratulations to Elliot and Eve (Owls), Sophie and Henry (Hedgehogs), Billy and Albie (Foxes), Eli and Isaac (Badger), Rafael (Otter) as well as Gemma and Theo (Deer).

Headteacher's Award: Earlier on today, I presented Amaya (Otter Class) with my Headteacher's Award for the way that she conducts herself in and around school.

Star Readers: I also presented Sky (Fox Class) and Rafael (Otter Class) with this term's Star Reader awards for Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 respectively- well done all! Photos of all three can be found on page 2 of this newsletter.

Harvest Festival: Many thanks to all those parents who attended our recent Harvest Festival at Holy Trinity Church. I was amazed by the number of people who were able to come along. On behalf of Somer Valley Foodbank, I would also like to thank you for all your generous donations. I have no doubt that these will be put to good use during the coming weeks and months.

Parents' Evenings: Many thanks to all those parents who attended our first Parents' Evening of the new academic year. If you weren't able to make it, please contact the school office and we will gladly arrange a time for you to meet with your child's class teacher.

Rugby World Cup: May I take this opportunity to wish both Wales and England the very best of luck this weekend as they both embark on trying to get to the final! I will do my very best to cheer on England tomorrow morning!

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you a good half term holiday. We look forward to seeing you once again on Monday, 4th November.



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

Headteacher's Award

Many, many congratulations go to Amaya who is the proud recipient of this term's Headteacher's Award.

This award is in recognition of her outstanding behaviour and attitude to all aspects of school life.



Star Reader Awards

Our two Star Readers for this term are Sky and Rafael. These awards are in recognition of the children's hard work both at home and at school to improve their reading.



Sporting Events



What a fabulous couple of weeks of sport we've just had! Our Cross country team were magnificent in giving their all in what were atrocious conditions. Huge congratulations go to Gertie who came first in the Year 6 girls' race. Our boys' football team got off to winning ways this term by beating Kilmersdon Primary School 2-1. Our girls' football team were unlucky to lose 4-1 to Clutton Primary School.

Attendance

Please find below the current percentage attendance for each year group and class.

Reception	96.6%
Year 1	96.5%
Year 2	98.7%
Year 3	96.7%
Year 4	96.9%
Year 5	98.3%
Year 6	98.4%

Owl	95.4%
Hedgehog	97.9%
Fox	98.2%
Badger	96.8%
Otter	98.2%
Deer	98.4%

School Dinners

Please can we remind you that dinners are £2.60 and need to be paid in **advance** via ParentPay. KS1 children are entitled to Universal Infant Free School Meals.

Did you know that for all children in KS1 and KS2, if you receive any of the benefits listed below, you can also register with the Free School Meal Team?

Your registration could attract Pupil Premium funding for our school of £1,320.

Please contact the Free School Meals Team on 01225 394317 to check your eligibility. All that is needed is your National Insurance Number and date of birth.

- 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)
- Income Support
- Income-Based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income Related Employment Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (WITHOUT Working Tax Credit) and have an annual household income (as assessed by HMRC) below £16,190
- Working Tax Credit **Run-on** which is **only paid for 4 weeks** after you STOP qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- The Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit

Please note.....



We have a post box in the foyer where you can drop any slips, letters, requests etc.

School meals must be booked and paid for (where applicable) on Parentpay by Wednesday for the following week. Next term we will be phoning home for all children who have not pre-ordered and will request parents bring a packed lunch.
You can now book online for the whole of term 2.

Please can I confirm that we are NUT FREE SCHOOL. Please also ensure you do not provide SESAME items. We are asking all parents to bear this in mind when sending lunches and snacks to school. Thank you for your co-operation.

High Littleton PTA

Donations for the Christmas Fayre.

The PTA are looking for the following donations for the Christmas Fayre:

- Clean/empty Jam Jars with lids
- Good quality stuffed toys
- Good quality children's toys/games
- Pre-loved Children's Christmas jumpers (for a jumble sale before Christmas)

If you are able to donate any of these items, please drop into the school foyer before the 1st Of December.

Stamptastic

At Stamptastic you can buy a rubber name stamp to label your child's school kit and our school receives 20% commission. The stamps are personalised and can be used on most fabrics, metal, wood and some plastics. At the checkout just enter our PTA's code, BS397HF, in the discount box.

Easyfundraiser– www.easyfundraising.org.uk

Easyfundraiser is a brilliant website which turns everyday online shopping into free donations for the PTA. All you need to do is sign up with the website above (search High Littleton C of E Primary). The retailers make a small donation to the charity to say "thank you" after you have bought your shopping through Easyfundraiser. Retailer include Amazon, Marks and Spencers, Ebay, Clarks and John Lewis.

The Crisp Packet Recycling Scheme

We have almost filled our second box of crisp packets to exchange for cash for the PTA. Please keep bringing your donations and spread the word in your workplace/family members/community. Donations can be dropped into the box in the foyer.



Any brand of crisp packets



HIGH LITTLETON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Are you looking for
your child to start
school in
September 2020?

We are opening
our doors to
prospective
parents so that
you can come and
see what goes on
at High Littleton
Primary School.
*No appointments
necessary.*



OPEN MORNING

Tuesday, 12th November 2019

10am-12pm



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Communication

As you may know from my previous correspondence with parents, we are continuing to streamline many of our processes at school to help you as parents and to reduce the administrative burdens placed on office staff. On Tuesday afternoon, two of my teachers were forced to miss an important meeting due to the fact that there were a number of children who were not picked up on time. Please be aware that any changes to times and dates of clubs are on the Parent Calendar on our website. You will of course be notified of any last minute changes; however, you should, in the first instance, refer to the Parent Calendar.

Parking

If you use your car to transport your child to and from school, please could I ask you to be considerate of other road users and our neighbours during these times. As ever, our priority is the safety of the children. I would urge you therefore to be mindful of where you park at the start and the end of the school day.

Please could we also ask that children do not ride their scooters or run in and around the school cars in the car park for the children's own safety and to prevent further damage to staff vehicles.

Please follow us @high_pri for the latest news and information about the school.



Please check out the website. Click on the link below:-

www.highlittletonschool.com

Dates for your Diaries 2019—2020

Please click on the link below to take you to the 'Diary Dates' page and scroll down to see Club dates!

['Diary Dates/Clubs'](#)

High Littleton Primary School is committed to working towards race equality, promoting positive approaches to difference and opposing all forms of racial prejudice and discrimination. Language or behaviour, which is racist or potentially damaging to any ethnic or racial group, is not tolerated and will always be challenged. We recognise that British society is made up of people from many different racial, cultural, linguistic and religious backgrounds and that all pupils must be fully prepared to live in such a diverse society.



CAM VALLEY ARTS TRAIL



Take a walk around the village on the 2nd & 3rd November and support your local Arts Trail; there are 4 venues with art exhibitions, workshops & demos throughout the weekend, 11am - 4pm both days. Lots of refreshments on offer too! Free Entry. All welcome. Just follow the signs from venue to venue.

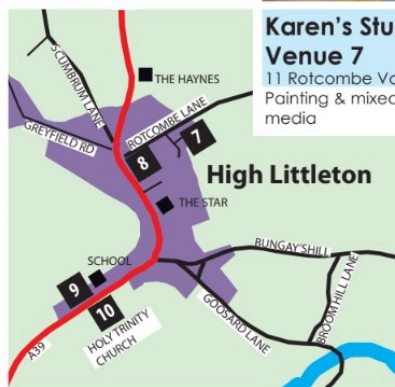
High Littleton Methodist Hall Venue 8

Join 4 artists and the Yambombers; Painting, collage, enamel, felt, jewellery & crochet.



Karen's Studio Venue 7

11 Rotcombe Vale
Painting & mixed media



High Littleton Church Hall Venue 9

Join 7 artists; painting, print, weaving, decoupage, jewellery & felt.



Holy Trinity Church Venue 10

Join the bellringers who will be demonstrating throughout the weekend.

CAM VALLEY ARTS TRAIL

Exhibitions, Workshops & Demonstrations

**Sat 2nd & Sun 3rd
November**

11am - 4pm



**Free
Entry**

in villages around the Cam Valley

www.camvalleyartstrail.co.uk

Wild Babies & Toddlers

Greyfield Woods every Friday 10-11.45 (B&NES termtime)

ecowild.org.uk for more info



£4 per parent & child
Snacks, drinks,
activities, fire,
shelter, fun, friendly

EcoWild

get closer to the natural world