

Newsletter

NOVEMBER

Dates for your diary



1st November 2017	Oral Health Care Workshop (Year 4) Parents Evening	
2nd November 2017	Parents Evening	
3rd November 2017	Non-Uniform Day (Wear Pink—Breast Cancer Awareness)	
7th November 2017	Nursery Open Day Year 5 Swimming	0930—1030am
10th November 2017	Year 6 Parental Engagement—Quiz (parents invited) Reception pupils visit Leominster Library	2.00pm
14th November 2017	Swimming starts for Year 4	
15th November 2017	PTA Xmas Bingo at Leominster Sports & Social Club	7.45pm (Eyes Down)
16th November 2017	Year 3 Parental Engagement— Maths Morning (parents invited) Meeting for Year 6 parents (Cardiff Trip)	0900—0945am 6.00pm
17th November 2017	Children in Need (Non Uniform—Wear something spotty, please bring a donation)	
18th November 2017	PTA Christmas Fayre in the school hall (details to follow)	11.00am—2.00pm
20th November 2017	Unicef 'Universal Children's Day' (Children to wear the colour of the flag of their country of birth)	
21st November 2017	Year 4 Swimming SEN Parent Workshop (details to follow)	
22nd November 2017	Nursery—How to support your child with reading (for parents)	0900—9.30am
24th November 2017	Full House Friday (Non Uniform Day)	
25th November 2017	Leominster Town Lights Service	3.30pm
28th November 2017	Year 4 Swimming	
30th November 2017	Year 3 trip to Hereford Courtyard Theatre KS1 Christmas Craft Session KS2 (Years 3—6) Christmas Disco (details to follow)	

Looking Ahead

1st December	Christmas Craft Morning (Years 3—6) Parents Invited KS1 Christmas Disco (Reception—Year 2) Parents welcome
4th December	Carol Service at The Priory Church (details to follow—Parents welcome)
5th December	School Christmas Lunch—Whole School (order forms to follow)





Year 5 Parental Engagement—Art of Monet

Parents and relatives of Year 5 pupils joined us on Wednesday 4th October to take part in an Art Workshop—the Art of Monet. Claude Monet was born in Paris and was founder of the Impressionist movement. Monet was interested in open air painting and using natural light. From an early age Monet drew caricatures which he then sold for 20 francs each. Parents and children ventured outside before coming into the school hall to create their own impressionist masterpiece!



Early Years Foundation Stage

Nursery and Reception had a fantastic Diwali week before half-term. Children thoroughly enjoyed a range of activities and experiences, including making rangoli patterns, Diwali lanterns, designed Mehndi patterns, created a Diwali dance and we had 'John the Potter' in with his pottery wheel to make pinch pot diva lamps with all the children. The Nursery children also enjoyed trying Naan bread, poppadoms and rice. Photographs will soon be on the website.





Year 1 Victorian Day

On Thursday October 5th, Year 1 pupils stepped back in time. Joined by two ladies from the Victorian Era the children enjoyed a day playing Victorian games, playing with Victorian toys and learning the art of deportment by walking with books upon their heads. Children learnt the words to 'Pop goes the Weasel' to pop meant to pawn something and was a London slang word, Weasel can be traced to the cockney rhyming slang of "weasel and stoat" or coat, a Victorian would have a Sunday best coat or suit that could be pawned until pay day!



Nursery & Reception

We are holding our Nursery Open Day on Tuesday 7th November between 9.30–10.30am. If you have pre-nursery children please come along and meet our qualified Teachers and Staff and have a look at our wonderful setting.



Suggestion Box

The eagle eyed amongst you may have spotted the red suggestion box in the foyer near the school office. Please feel free to place any comments, questions and requests into the box, we value your input and all suggestions will be read. Thank you.

Messy Church will take place at Leominster Priory on Thursday 23rd November from 4–6pm. Messy Church takes place every month and includes crafts, games, a Bible story, science activities and lots of fun for families of all ages. It finishes with a meal for everyone and is free. Donations and cakes are always welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information phone Kathy Bland on 01568 610785.



Bonfire Night

Stay Safe on Bonfire Night

-  Never touch fireworks.
-  Stand well back from the bonfire.
-  Never go near a firework after it has been lit.
-  1 Only hold one sparkler at a time.
-  Wear gloves when holding a sparkler.
-  Keep pets indoors.

Bonfire Night

Bonfire Night is an annual commemoration which takes place on 5th November. Over four hundred years ago, in 1605, a man called Guy Fawkes and a group of plotters attempted to blow up the Houses of Parliament in London with barrels of gunpowder placed in the basement. They wanted to kill King James and the king's leaders and is known as the 'Gunpowder Plot'. However, Guy Fawkes was discovered in the cellar of the House of Lords guarding barrels of gunpowder and the Gunpowder plot was foiled. Since then on November 5th, bonfires have been set alight to celebrate the safety of the King. Fireworks are lit and a dummy of Guy Fawkes is burnt on the bonfire.

Bonfire Night Brownies

Why not have a go at making these delicious chocolate brownies, filled with gooey marshmallow centres for Bonfire Night? **Always ask a grown up to help you.**



You will need:-

- 125g (4oz) butter
- 125g (4oz) chocolate, broken into small pieces
- 2 large eggs
- 150g (5oz) granulated sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 75g (3oz) plain flour
- 50g (2oz) marshmallows

1. Preheat the oven to gas 4, 180°C, fan 160°C
2. Grease and line a 20cm square baking tin with baking paper. Melt together the butter and chocolate in a bowl over a pan of simmering water or gently in the microwave.
3. With a whisk, beat together the eggs, sugar and vanilla extract until thick and creamy. Mix in the melted chocolate and butter. Finally stir in the flour and marshmallows. Pour into the baking tin and cook for 20 minutes until the centre is just set.
4. Leave to cool in the tin for about 15 minutes before cutting into squares.



The Daily Mile

Years 3–6 children have started the 'Daily Mile' this week and all children have taken part in either walking, jogging or running every morning before registration. It has been fantastic to see so many children taking part and we have had a really positive response from pupils and staff. The Daily Mile is a fun activity which takes place in the fresh air, children enjoy taking part in this social event and helps them towards achieving a healthy lifestyle.

