



Lavant

C.E. Primary School

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Parent consultations

It was wonderful to see so many of you at our parent consultation meetings this week. I hope you all found your meeting informative and gained a clear understanding of your child's learning in school. If, for any reason, you were one of the few unable to make their meeting, please book a separate appointment with your child's class teacher after the half term break. A huge thank you also to all of you who kindly completed the parental questionnaire. We really value your views and welcome ideas as to how we can continue to develop and improve our practice. If you took your survey home with you, please pop it back into the school post box at your earliest convenience. I will inform you of the key points from your feedback next half term.

Attendance



I am delighted to inform you that our school received recognition for our excellent attendance in the autumn term. School's attendance levels are now a key focus for inspectors during Ofsted inspections and, as a school, this is something that we very much support. Good attendance and good learning go directly in hand. I hope you have all received your child's attendance certificate for the year to date. If getting your child to school every day is something that you find challenging, please do not hesitate to reach out to us for advice and support.

Emergency medication

Many of your children may have benefited from the stock of emergency medication we keep in school which includes Calpol, Paracetamol, Asthma Inhalers and Epi Pens. This is not something that we receive additional funding for and unfortunately the costs of replenishing such items are continually increasing. If you are in a financial position that you feel able to make a small contribution towards our emergency medication stock, we have now added 'Emergency Medication' as an item you can buy in the school shop on Arbor for £2 (or multiples of). Thank you

Young Voices at the O2

Well done to the children in Pheasant Class who sang their hearts out as part of a 8,900 strong children's choir at the 'Young Voices' concert. The children worked really hard learning songs in school and it was lovely that so many parents were able to join us in the O2 in London to enjoy the concert. Our children were fantastic ambassadors of our school and all involved thoroughly enjoyed such a fantastic event.



Cross Country Run

On 28th January, 15 children from year five and six competed in a very muddy Chichester Locality Cross Country Run. The annual event, held at Bishop Luffa School, was well attended with nearly 300 children from across our local primary schools running 1,500km. Our children were great ambassadors for our school and gave it their all. We were very proud of them. A particular well done must be given to Emma Mariner who qualified to represent our area at county level and compete in the county race later this term.

Chichester Inter-Schools Road Races

We are delighted to be entering a team of runners in the annual Chichester Road Races that take place over three evenings in February and March. This is always a fast race and we wish all our competitors the best as they prepare for and run the races. **If your child is in year 5 or 6 and would like to take part in this exciting event, entries must be made on line [Corporate Challenge Entry – Chichester Runners & AC](#).** You still have a few days left to register.

This year, in addition to the children, we are entering a Bishop Luffa Learning Partnership team, into the corporate challenge which follows on directly from the Inter-Schools races. If you would be interested in joining us and running this year, please let me know.

Dance House 26

Children in Dance House club are currently busily preparing for a Dance Show on Tuesday 10th March at The Worthing Pavilion. This year, for the first time we have two dance troops performing and wish them both all the best for the evening.

World Book Day – Friday 6th March

This year, we will be celebrating World Book Day on Friday 6th March. You may be relieved to hear that we are not doing a full dress up day this year but further information on this special day and a visiting Book Fair will follow in a separate letter from Mrs. Totman.

Parking at the front of school

Unfortunately, it has been brought to my attention that a small minority of parents are parking inconsiderately at school drop off / pick up times. This includes, parking on the turning circle, across the pedestrian access route by the allotments into school, and right on the corner of the A286, Lavant Road. The safety of both adults and children is of utmost importance to us and, as such, I ask you all to ensure your parking does not put others at risk.

Easter Service

We hope you will be able to join us at our Easter service at St Nicholas Church on Friday 27th March at 1.30pm. Rev Laura Darrall will kindly be leading our service and we would love to see as many parents there as possible. All parents who do attend will be welcome to take their children home directly after the service, once they have returned to school to collect their belongings.

Please check our website for additional school news and events. The calendar section will give you important dates in advance. You can also see pictures and news on our school Instagram account; follow us to find out more about the amazing things happening at Lavant CE Primary School. As always, thank you all for your continued support.

Kindest regards,



Adrian King

If you have any ideas or additional suggestions for our school, please feel free to complete the slip below and return to the school office at your convenience

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Comment: