



Live • Love • Learn - Littletown

Friday 25th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to start with how great it was to welcome parents into the school on Tuesday afternoon after school for our open classrooms event. Although I was attending a Devon Safeguarding executive meeting at County Hall, I received lots of feedback from staff and parents about how excited the children all were to show classrooms.

On Tuesday, lots of our Key Stage 2 children represented the school in the first Honiton Learning Community event of the year and first ever event with Mr Perrott in the Cross Country running at All Hallows. The children behaved and ran brilliantly winning 3 of the events, coming second in the other and winning the whole event overall.

In assembly today we celebrated this year's House Captains, Wellbeing Ambassadors and Librarians totalling 40 children in all. These are just some of the many roles that ensure that children play a very active part in the running of and the life of the school ensuring high quality personal development. We discussed what badges mean and reflected that we all have the Littletown badge on our uniform or lanyards and what it means to wear the badge.

Next week we look forward to holding our parent consultation phone calls. You should have had details of these separately. Also next week, we have flu vaccinations for all children and a dentist visit to Year 2 on Tuesday. On Friday, we will have our annual pink and purple day for Charcot Marie Tooth in support of a child in the school with this condition. This year, we will be raising money for Vranck House Children's Charity in Exeter which supports children who have this condition and many others locally.

Yours faithfully

David Perkins

Principal

Children's news

Nursery

In Nursery we pretended to be builders and built houses out of blocks.

Reception

We learnt to count to 5 and about online and offline. In PE we did yoga. We also learnt about all the fantastic stuff we can do in OPAL.

Year 1

In Year 1 we made shelters out of boxes using our designs and learnt to make human minerals and made diva lamps.

Year 2

In Year 2 we learnt the letter A in hand writing and compared pictures.

Year 3

In French we have been doing feelings and in PE we have been learning how to play tag rugby.

Year 4

In Maths we have been rounding numbers up to ten. In PE we have been doing tag rugby. In French we are learning how to say fruits.

Year 5

In PE we have been learning how to dodge in tag rugby. In PSHE we've been learning about responsibility. In Literacy we have been learning about Annie Edson Taylor and how she went over the Niagara Falls in a barrel.

Year 6

We have been writing in 3rd person narratives. In Science we have been doing light. In French we have been learning about objects in the classroom. In PE we have been doing tag rugby.

Book bags in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

Just a little reminder that our younger pupils in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and 2 do not need to bring large rucksacks or backpacks to school, as their school book bag provides more than enough space for all essential daily items, including reading books, homework and letters. Our storage space in cloakrooms and on peg rails is quite limited, and bulky bags quickly cause clutter and safety hazards in the corridors. Using our school book bags makes it much easier for children to manage their own belongings independently. We are aware there may be exceptions for some pupils on some days, i.e. if your child is attending a sports club or going to a different house after school. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

Welcome to House Captains

Congratulations and thank you to our House Captains for this year who are:

Oliver, Mia, William, Joel, Scarlett, Sam, Amber, Lilee

Welcome to Librarians

Congratulations and thank you to these children for being our librarians this year:

Year 3: Jacob, Annie-Jane, Ophelia, Ruby, Harriet, Iwan, Mia

Year 4: Amelia, Isla, Alex, Isla, Suhana, Layla,

Year 5: Amelia, Chloe, Evie, Albie

Year 6: Theo, Sam, Tanaka, Eva, Evelyn, Ella

Welcome to Wellbeing Ambassadors

Congratulations and thank you to these children for being our wellbeing ambassadors this year:

Sophie, Emelia, Samuel, Scarlett, Bella, Amber, Lexiee, Harriet

Hello Yellow Day

The first of our Mental Wellbeing weeks will be 5th - 9th October with Hello Yellow Day being on Friday 9th October. This is the day when children and staff are invited to wear yellow/bright colours or non-uniform for a donation of 50p per child/£1 per family to raise money for Young Minds which supports young people's mental health. This year donations can be made either online, or in cash on the day. Online donations can be made at <https://fundraise.youngminds.org.uk/s/9758/10606> The Wellbeing Ambassadors will be organising various activities for the children to take part in throughout the week.

Wonderful Writing of the Week



Well done to this week's wonderful writers of the week!

Ethan in 2CL/DB for his fantastic spelling and handwriting

Ruby in 3SC for her riddle writing

Dylan in 5GW/CL for his excellent diary writing

Week Beginning 28th October 2026 events

Monday 28th September	Tuesday 29th September	Wednesday 30th September	Thursday 1st October	Friday 2nd October
Mental health team with some Y6	Parent Consultation Phone Calls	Parent Consultation Phone Calls	Parent Consultation Phone Calls	CMT awareness day for Vbranch House (pink and purple 50p)
	Flu vaccinations			
	Dentist visit to Y2			

Flu Vaccinations

All children from Reception to Year 6 are entitled to have a flu vaccination at school. The immunisation team will be attending school on Tuesday 29th September. If you haven't already done so, please click on this link to either consent or decline the vaccination. The link will close at 9am on Monday 28th September.

Link: <https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu?schoolcode=DV137732>

Leap workshops

Please see below information on workshops coming up:

Understanding Autism and Related Needs.
Friday 2/10/26 7-9PM

Parent Carer, Health and Wellbeing.
Tuesday 06/10/26 10Am- 12 PM

Both of these workshops can be found by going to
[Eventbrite.co.uk](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk)

Devon Parent Carers Service – Peer Support Group

Devon Parent Carers is a new service for parents and carers caring for children or young people under 18, who have special educational needs, disabilities, long-term illness or other additional needs. No formal diagnosis is needed to join the service.

Our next friendly, supportive peer support group is taking place next week in Exminster. This is an opportunity to meet and chat with other parent carers in a safe and non-judgemental space.

Exminster Peer Support Group

Friday 25th September

10.30am – 12pm

Coffee on the Corner, Exminster

Community News



PARENTING EMPOWERED AUTISTIC KIDS

We are a non-profit charity dedicated to supporting families and educators who live or work with neurodiverse children – pre or post a diagnosis.

HELPING CHILDREN REACH THEIR PEAK POTENTIAL!

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AGES 5 - 12

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WARS, GLOW SPORTS,
ARTS AND CRAFTS,
BOWLETT, FOOTBALL,
INFLATABLES AND
MORE.**



18th, 19th & 20th September 2026

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- + 2026 World Dad Dancing Championship

Dads/ male carers with children of all ages welcome

DadFest 2026 tickets must be bought in advance

Dad + 1 child (all ages):	£109
Dad + 2 children (all ages):	£119
Dad + 3 children (all ages):	£129

Ticket includes camping & all activities – nothing more to pay
Get food tickets too: £40 (dad): £30 (children)

To book search 'ticket tailor DadFest Devon'
or email: info@thedadsnetwork.org



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Sunday mornings
Sidmouth College AstroTurf

10:00–11:30 School years 3–7 U8–U12	11:30–13:00 School years 8–11 U14 & U16
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A fun, friendly club!

Register by email:
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and shin pads
Sticks available
to borrow