



## LITTLETOWN PRIMARY ACADEMY and NURSERY

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe that we are now at the Easter holidays and end of the Spring Term. It has been a busy week. Year 1 had their trips to Tiverton museum on Wednesday and Thursday with the feedback being that both classes behaved exceptionally well throughout the day. My thanks again to the parent volunteers who accompanied the children on the trips, without whom, going on such trips would be very difficult. On Monday and Tuesday, Year 2 had their outdoor classrooms where they did observational drawing of Spring flowers and planted Sunflowers. Also on Tuesday, Year 3 had their final swimming session at Honiton Leisure Centre. We also welcomed Nursery parents to a stay and play session on Tuesday afternoon while some of our children represented the school at the latest TAG rugby event at Honiton Primary School.

Thank you to everyone who attended the PTFA bingo night last Friday evening. Thanks also to everyone who took part in our Easter colouring competition. There were over £100 entries and the House Captains gave out prizes and showed the winning designs in assembly this afternoon. My thanks to the PTFA again for running both of these events for the children and raising money for the school.

When we return to school after the Easter break some Year 5 children start their swimming on Tuesday and on Wednesday some of our Year 3 and 4 children take part in a football match against Beer Primary School. On Friday Year 3 will have their outdoor classroom.

Please find below in this newsletter a range of information, including a reminder of the importance of keeping children safe online and using age appropriate online platforms over the holidays.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all an eggsalant and cracking Easter and I look forward to seeing you all when we return to school on Tuesday 22nd April.

Yours faithfully

David Perkins  
Principal

### **Children's news**

#### **Nursery**

This week in Nursery we have been making chocolate easter eggs and doing eggie easter egg hunts.

#### **Reception**

This week in Reception we have been making the gingerbread man and writing up speech bubbles

### **Year 1**

In year 1 we have just gone on a school trip to the museum and we have also been learning about weighing with balance scales.

### **Year 2**

In Year 2 we have been making flower models out of clay, writing about mythical creatures. Also, we have been writing about a creature that is a dragon machine. We have been learning about jobs that people have done in the past.

### **Year 3**

In year 3 we have been finishing our writing assessment in literacy. We have also been learning about mechanisms in DT.

### **Year 4**

In year 4 we have been learning about the difference between soil and plants. We have also been learning about environmental changes in Geography.

### **Year 5**

This week in Year 5 we have been writing Chris Hadfield biographies, doing comprehension tests, doing lots of tests and this term's subject in PE is Tennis.

### **Year 6**

This week in Year 6 we have done a Maths assessment and an assessment in Literacy about reporting about the Titanic.

## **Staff news**

### **Goodbye Mrs McCaie**

Today we say thank you and farewell to Mrs McCaie who has been working with children in Reception since September.

### **Thanks Miss Tomlinson**

We also say thanks and good luck today to Trainee Teacher Miss Tomlinson who has been working with Miss Thorne's class since Christmas.

## **Neurodiversity Navigators**

### **Is your child waiting for an Autism or ADHD assessment?**

On Tuesday 6th May 2025 at 9.15am the Neurodiversity Navigators are going to be joining us for a coffee morning. Neurodiversity Navigators offer support and guidance to Families and Young People who are on waiting lists for neurodevelopmental assessments or those presenting with neurodivergent needs across Devon. They can provide general advice and help individuals by signposting to existing services, completing forms, attending workshops, and more. The Navigators offer advice and support based on specific needs, such as sleep issues, school-related challenges, low-level anxieties, diet and positive behaviour strategies. If your child is on the Neurodiversity pathway or is presenting with Neurodiversity needs we would encourage you to come and meet the team and find out ways they can support.

It would be helpful if you are planning on coming for you to email the school SENDCo, Kate Prince, on [senco@littletown.devon.sch.uk](mailto:senco@littletown.devon.sch.uk) to say that you are coming so she knows how many biscuits to buy. Please also see the leaflet attached, we look forward to seeing you.

## Online Safety

Please use the Easter holidays to check your children's online activity is safe and they have parental controls activated.

Parental controls are designed to help protect children from inappropriate content online, such as pornography or other adult content. These controls can be used in a number of ways, e.g. to help ensure that your children access only age-appropriate content, to set usage times and to monitor activity.

**Where can I find them?** There are four main places you can find parental controls, and it can help to set up a combination of these:

**Internet provider:** You can set up filters to help block access to inappropriate content on any device that connects to your home WiFi.

**Mobile operator:** Filters are often automatically set up on mobile contracts, especially if the user is under the age of 18, but you can double-check with your provider.

**Devices:** Many devices have parental control settings, for example, to help restrict spending in apps, reduce screentime, or disable location functions.

**Online Services:** Sites like BBC iPlayer and YouTube have parental control settings to help restrict access to inappropriate content.

Roblox are presently improving their privacy and controls, please see the link to the BBC article below.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/c86j9ygw45xo>

## Week Beginning 22nd April 2025 events

Monday 21st April	Tuesday 22nd April	Wednesday 23rd April	Thursday 24th April	Friday 25th April
Bank holiday	Start of term	Y3/4 football match v Beer.		Y3 outdoor classroom
	Year 5 swimming			

## Community news

Please see attached to this newsletter a list of activities taking place in and around the Honiton area over the Easter holidays.