



Live • Love • Learn - Littletown

Friday 19th December 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

And just like that it is the end of the Autumn Term! What a busy second week of our 'festive fortnite' we have had here at Littletown! I need to start by thanking children for their incredible Christmas performances this week. Mrs Cadby and I are so privileged to be able to welcome so many parents and family members to school and to see all the amazing performances. To start the week, on Monday we had the amazing 'Hey Ewe!' nativity performances from Year 2. On Tuesday we had the wonderful Reception nativity performances. On Wednesday Year 1 wowed us with their Nativity performances and yesterday we had the 13th and final performance of the two weeks with our Nursery children taking to the stage for their 'First Nativity'. My thanks again to all the staff for supporting the children in putting on these performances. I would also like to thank all of you for attending our Christmas performances this year and making this such a special experience for the children. I know it is quite a commitment at a really busy time and it is something that we never take for granted here at Littletown.

As well as the performances mentioned above, on Wednesday, we had our Christmas jumpers on for our Christmas lunch provided for us by Fresha. My thanks to Cath and her team in the kitchen for making and serving over 350 Christmas Dinners! Year 3 also had their Outdoor classroom on Wednesday, albeit indoors due to the weather. They made natural Christmas table decorations and some of our Year 6 children took part in the after school Honiton Learning Community Netball tournament. Thank you to the parents who accompanied the children. The Chrismtas postbox has also been in full flow all week! My thanks to the House Captains for emptying and making deliveries every day this week.

This morning, in our whole school Christmas assembly, we heard from the Mental Wellbeing Ambassadors on how to keep up with our 10 a day over Christmas. We also had Christmas songs from Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 and gave out Bronze awards certificates to our Sports leaders and Dance leaders. We also gave out certificates to all the children who took part in the 'school run' walk to school challenge this term. My thanks again to Vicky Atkin for running this challenge for Littletown families. We finished assembly with a whole school Christmas dance led by our Dance leaders!

I would like to thank you for keeping up with all the emails and organisation over the last few weeks - I know it can be a lot to keep on top of! On behalf of the staff and I, I would like to thank you for all the kind and generous cards and gifts that have come into school this week. They are never expected, but always appreciated.

Finally, as it is time for Littletown of Honiton to hand over to little town of Bethlehem, I would like to thank you all for your support over 2025 and wish you all a wonderful Christmas break with your families. I look forward to seeing you all when we return on Monday 5th January to start 2026!

Yours faithfully

David Perkins
Principal

Children's news

Nursery

The Nursery children have been practising and performing their nativity play and having great fun!

Reception

Reception have been making Christmas cards and they had a great time making Christmas decorations!

Year 1

In Year 1, they did an amazing Christmas performance and they absolutely smashed it! They also received sea monkeys from Santa Claus! They had a great time making Christmas cards for their parents (hope it wasn't too messy!)

Year 2

In Year 2, Christmas cards have been very popular and it's been very fun! In Maths they have been doing some shapes. They even made their own Christmas stories!

Year 3

In Year 3 they have been doing their big question about the iron age and singing Christmas songs in French!

Year 4

In Year 4 they are starting their new topic 'Invasion!' They are doing their diary entries in Literacy

Year 5

In Year 5 we have done an inter house competition and we have been trying to decrease electricity.

Year 6

In Year 6 they have crocheting their Christmas cards!

Staff news

Goodbye Mrs Mills

Today we say a fond farewell and thank you to Mrs Mills, Year 1 Teaching Assistant, who leaves Littletown after 10 years supporting children in the school. I'm sure you will all join me in thanking her for her years of service and in wishing her all the very best for the future.

Thank you Mrs Ryerson!

As mentioned around the time of the PTFA Christmas Fayre, today marks the end of Mrs Ryerson's tenure as PTFA Chairperson and her work with the PTFA that has spanned an incredible 15 years. It was a pleasure to present her with a commemorative vase and flowers in assembly this morning. I am sure you will all again join me in thanking Mrs Ryerson for this incredible contribution to the children of Littletown and wishing her a well deserved rest!

Term Dates 2026-27

These are now on our website here: https://www.littletown.devon.sch.uk/website/term_dates/650732

Inter-house sports competitions Autumn Term

Over the last two weeks children have been taking part in inter-house sport competitions in their year groups. Sports Leaders have collated the scores and shared with the children as follows:

Otter	24 points
Dragonfly	20 points
Heron	16 points
Kingfisher	16 points

Week Beginning 5th January 2026 events

Monday 5th January	Tuesday 6th January	Wednesday 7th January	Thursday 8th January	Friday 9th January
First day back for everyone	KS2 Coordination event 10:30 -12 (12 children)		Space Dome am Reception	

Community News

Support our local library

Please see message below from Devon Libraries.

This is really important for the future of the libraries and we need as many people as possible to fill it in. As you may notice, there is also a form for under 17's to fill in so they can have their say as well.

Thank you in advance.

As you may have heard, Devon County Council have just launched a 12-week public consultation into the future of Devon's libraries.

Financial pressures, alongside the way people use Council services, are driving this consultation. Libraries Unlimited are commissioned to run the libraries by the council. We have been using our charitable reserves over the last few years to plug funding gaps, but we can no longer continue to do this. This consultation will help Devon County Council understand how people use library services and how they'd like to see things develop in future years.

The consultation documents are online and the survey can be completed by visiting <https://devon.cc/your-libraries>.

There is also a survey for children and young people to have their say here: [Have Your Say Today - Survey for young people - Shaping Devon's Library Service](#)

We're sure you'll agree that libraries are an essential community resource and are crucial for young people to have access to.

The consultation is open until 22nd February 2026. Please help us spread the word so we can make sure everyone has their say.



KID'S XMAS EVE PARTY

@ *The Institute,*
Ottery St Mary
10am-4pm

24/12/25



RODEO REINDEER

PHOTO BOOTH

SOFT PLAY

CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES

CRAZY GOLF

DIDI CAR TRACK

RAFFLE*

MINI DISCO

BOUNCY CASTLES

INFLATABLE SLIDE NO BOOKING REQUIRED

• RAFFLE, DRINKS & SNACKS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE

