



Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a wonderful and exciting start to the new school year with the children quickly settling into their new classes. The children all look very smart in their uniform and I would like to ask that you label your child's clothing and if possible any Tupperware boxes that you send you child with.

In this newsletter, you will find important details about various clubs, class information, our upcoming coffee morning, the Little Eaton annual produce show and a letter from Derbyshire County Council regarding the new attendance procedures.

I would also like to ask parents dropping off and collecting children from our infant block to walk through the school rather than use Highfield Road or New Street unless there are accessibility issues such as pushchairs.

I look forward to speaking with each of you over the coming weeks. Your involvement and support are greatly appreciated.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Paul Schumann

New Reception Children

It has been a delight to welcome all the new families and children to our school this week. The children have thoroughly enjoyed their transition sessions and have settled in remarkably well



New Classes and Staff

As noted, all children seem to have settled nicely into their new classes. Class pages will be being populated over the coming week, but if you have any questions, please feel free to contact the teacher during drop-off or pick-up times.

Reception	Mrs Simmons	Year 3	Mrs Holmes & Mr Read
Year 1	Mrs Gregory & Miss Waller	Year 4	Mrs Gardiner & Mrs Dilleigh
Year 2	Mrs Webb & Miss Waller	Year 5	Mrs Lloyd
		Year 6	Mr Thomasson

Reception Stars	Year 1 Mercury	Year 2 Venus	Year 3 Earth
	Year 4 Mars	Year 5 Jupiter	Year 6 Saturn

Clubs

Sports clubs for years 1-6 will resume next week. There will be a Junior athletics club on Tuesday and an Infant athletics club on Thursday. **For all of the above, please see ParentPay for booking and payments.**

Parking

A gentle reminder, please do not park your cars on Highfield Road or New Street. These are private roads which are already congested and difficult for our parents to navigate on foot with the children that need to use this access point.

57th ANNUAL LITTLE EATON PRODUCE SHOW

Founded by the Little Eaton Women's Institute

Sat 14th September 2024 ~ 3pm ~ Little Eaton Village Hall

AFTERNOON ADMISSION FREE!

**** 24 TROPHIES ~ 111 CLASSES ****

Entries accepted	9:00am – 11:15am
Judging (no public access)	12:00am – 2:30pm
Show open to all – FREE!	3:00pm
Exhibits can be removed	4:30pm
Prize money can be collected	4:45pm
Auction of produce remaining for show funds and chosen charities	After auction
Trophies and raffle	After auction

ENTRIES OPEN TO ALL

Cash or card payments accepted

Find us and extra entry forms at Little Eaton Produce Show on Facebook

Adults and children	Entries	Prizes
Class 13 and 14	50p per entry	1st £5.00, 2nd £3.00
All other classes	50p per entry	1st £2.00, 2nd £1.00

SHOW RULES:

- All exhibits in the Handicraft Classes to have been completed within the last year and NOT PREVIOUSLY SHOWN
- All exhibits to be grown, arranged, made or photographed by the exhibitor
- Preserves must be dated – day/month/year. See Hints and Tips section.
- Judges' decision is final
- No responsibility can be accepted for entries but all care will be taken
- Children may enter categories above their age if they wish

CHAIR James Reid ~ SECRETARY Ness Richardson ~ TREASURER Stephanie Mortimer

Reminder: Produce Show

This event takes place in the village hall at 3pm this Saturday. A leaflet with more details should be in your child's book bag and please keep a lookout for a wonderful art display from our last year's Year 6 pupils.

Little Eaton Primary School

These art pieces are part of a collaborative project between the Little Eaton Historical Society and Little Eaton Primary School. The children delved into a historical photograph, exploring its context and significance. Using a mono printing technique, they creatively brought the photograph to life, adding their unique interpretations and artistic flair. This project not only allowed the students to engage with local history but also provided them with an opportunity to develop their artistic skills in a meaningful and educational way.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Macmillan is a charity very dear to many of us, therefore we will be holding our coffee morning in the hall from 9.00am on the 27th September. Please donate cakes in the preceding few days and we look forward to seeing you then and raising lots of money.



Determination



Harper is due to run the Junior Great North Run this Saturday 7th September!! She is running for a charity very close to our hearts.

Friends of the Baby Unit - FOBU - The Royal Derby Hospital were, and still are, a huge part of our lives! They support families with premature babies in the Derby NICU (who have babies come in from Derby, Burton, Nottingham and further afield too!) they support the NICU with life changing equipment, from the very expensive new head scanners and brand new incubators that are needed to keep those tiny babies fighting, to the smaller but still hugely important new fleece cot blankets, bedding and keeping the parent room stocked with snacks and food for those parents spending all day everyday next to their tiny little miracles!

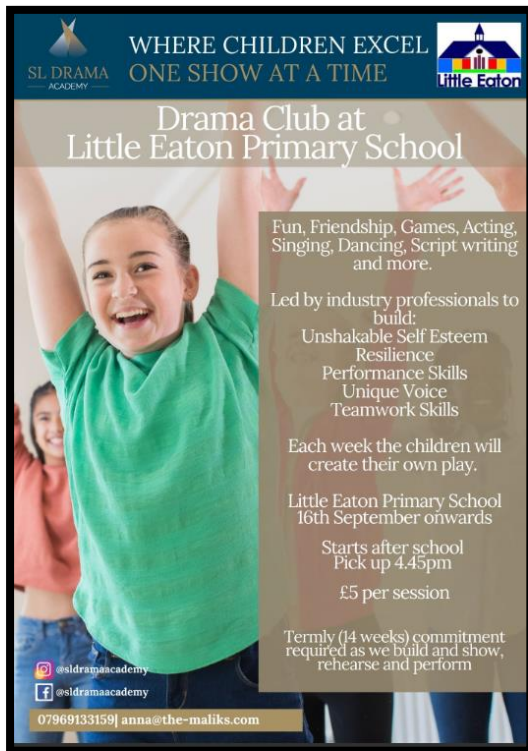
They also support the amazing staff who work there too! Without them, both our NICU experiences would have been completely different! We will forever be thankful and support them whole heartedly!

Harper has made an amazing £500 so far and is trying to make as much as possible for this amazing charity. If anyone would like to donate she would be very grateful! The link is

www.justgiving.com/page/harper-gnr

for her just giving page! The smallest amount makes the biggest of differences! Thank you you everyone

Drama Club



WHERE CHILDREN EXCEL
ONE SHOW AT A TIME

Little Eaton

Drama Club at Little Eaton Primary School

Fun, Friendship, Games, Acting, Singing, Dancing, Script writing and more.

Led by industry professionals to build:

- Unshakable Self Esteem
- Resilience
- Performance Skills
- Unique Voice
- Teamwork Skills

Each week the children will create their own play.

Little Eaton Primary School
16th September onwards

Starts after school
Pick up 4.45pm

£5 per session

Termly (14 weeks) commitment required as we build and show, rehearse and perform

@sldramaacademy
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Below is the booking link

<https://form.typeform.com/to/zQMHDVpZ>



School attendance update 2024/5

Dear parent/carer

We are writing to you because the Department for Education (DfE) have introduced some new guidance for schools and Local Authorities (LAs) for managing school attendance. They have also introduced a new national framework for penalty notice and amended the law. These changes come into effect from the 19 August 2024 and all schools and LAs across the country will be expected to follow the new statutory guidance.

Support first

The importance of regular attendance at school cannot be stressed enough. All schools and LAs are expected to promote school attendance and provide support to remove barriers where a pupil is struggling to attend school. This may mean that the school raises the issue of attendance even if your child has only had a couple of days off ill. This is not because they don't believe you. By working with you, schools can step in early to help to prevent patterns of absence developing. Schools may identify other underlying issues that are making your child reluctant to attend school and be able to help you and your child.

For this to be successful parents need to work with the school. Where it can be demonstrated that a parent/carer is not fulfilling their parental responsibility to ensure that their child receives a suitable full-time education then the school can consider requesting that the LA take further action. This can be in the form of a penalty notice, prosecution, or the school may suggest other formal interventions.

National Framework for penalty notices

To provide consistency, the Government have introduced a new national framework for when schools and LAs believe that they have exhausted all offers of support and the parent/carer is not engaging with the attempt to improve their child's attendance at school.

The threshold for when a school should consider next steps is 10 sessions (5 school days) of unauthorised absence in a rolling period of 10 school weeks. A school week means any week in which there is at least one school session. This can be made up of any form of unauthorised absence including late after close (attendance code U) of register and odd days of unauthorised absence (attendance code O) which add up to 5 days within a 10-week period.

At this point the school will consider if it is likely that the attendance will improve with further support. They may then decide to refer the case to the LA for formal monitoring. This may proceed to legal action if the attendance does not improve.

Education Penalty Notices are issued to parents of statutory school age children. They can be issued to each parent or carer who is deemed liable for the child's absence from school. The new costs and process is outlined below:

First Offence - The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

Second Offence (within 3 years) -The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years) - The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court.

Term time holidays

Pupils should not be taken out of school during term time unless it is unavoidable. Schools are required to consider requests for leave of absence in term time and should only approve the leave if there are exceptional circumstances. If a request for leave is denied and the pupil is absent for 5 days or more then the school is expected to refer the case to the LA. The LA will issue a penalty notice with no requirement for a formal warning to be issued. Penalty notices can also be issued where a pupil is absent for repeated incidents of unauthorised leave in term time that fall below the 5-day threshold. In every case, the request for the

Penalty Notice comes in from the school to the LA for the process to be completed.

New registration codes

You might find that your child's attendance report looks slightly different next year. The DfE have amended some of the codes to include numbers as well as letters. These new codes are to enable schools, LA and the DfE to better understand the reasons for absence.

For example:

Code C: Leave of absence for exceptional circumstance.

Code C1: Leave of absence for the purpose of participating in a regulated performance.

The important thing for you as a parent is still the C which means that the absence was authorised.

There is also a new code which has been introduced for pupils who are on the school roll but are temporarily being provided with an alternative education by the local authority, such as a home tutor.

Code K: Attending education provision arranged by the local authority.

Full details of all of the changes can be found by visiting the Government webpage:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance>

Derbyshire County Council will be publishing its updated code of conduct for penalty notices and all the necessary updated information on Education Welfare page in time for the start of the new term in September.

We appreciate that there are a lot of changes for September and for many of you these will have little or no impact. However, if your child is anxious about attending school, please speak with your child's teacher or the attendance/family support workers within the school. They are there to explore what support can be provided to help your child to attend school regularly.

Upcoming Dates

September	October	November
F 27 th – Macmillan Coffee morning	7 th Harvest Assembly and collection (donations needed please) 8 th Parents online safety presentation in the hall 6.30pm 15 th Year visit to Hindu Temple 17 th Reception and Year 1 phonics presentation (details to follow) 22 th & 24 th Parents Evening 25 th Last day of term	4 th Inset day 5 th School reopens 8 th Individual school photographs
December	January	February
10 th Nativity dress rehearsal 11 th Nativity afternoon 2pm 12 th Nativity 4.15pm 20 th Last day of term	6 th School reopens	14 th Last day of term 24 th School reopens
March	April	May
6 th pm Treasure Island 14 th INSET Day T 25 th and W 26 th – parents evening	4 th Last day of term 22 nd School reopens	1 st – 2 nd Year 4 residential trip – Lea Green 5 th Bank Holiday WB 12/5 – KS2 SATs week 19 th -21 st Year 6 Whitehall residential Th23 rd – music concert 23 rd Last day of term
June	July	
2 nd – INSET Day 3 rd School reopens 12 th Music concert WB 16/6 – Fitness week 19 th Sports day 9.15 (whole school)	23 rd Last day of term	

