

Litcham School

The Word

25th April 2019

Primary Maths Cafe

We had a successful Maths Cafe at the primary Phase last term.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us to read maths stories and explore methods to support solving calculations involving the four operations.

The children had a wonderful time practising using their methods to solve challenges throughout the morning.

A special mention to the Friends of the Primary for providing teas and biscuits.

'I enjoyed showing my mummy how I answer division problems. I also liked the yummy biscuit and story.' - Lilly, Tawny Owls

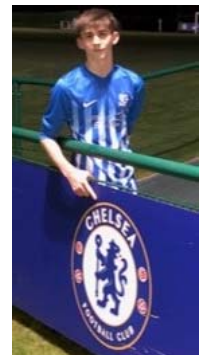


Student Success

Alex Tuley recently took part in a trial at Chelsea Football Club. He played really well and has been invited back.

Watch this space for further updates.

Well done Alex!



Prom Hamper Raffle

Congratulations to Tioni, Kingfishers, for winning the Prom Hamper Raffle.

A huge thankyou to all the students, parents and staff who supported to help raise money for the Year 11 Prom.

The total raised from this event was £123.00.

Mr Ryan and the Yr11 Prom Team



"Excellence is our standard"



We are collecting the LEGO tokens currently appearing in the Eastern Daily Press. Please hand in your vouchers to either the primary or secondary phase reception.

EVERY school that collects a minimum of 1,000 tokens will receive £50 worth of LEGO whilst the top three will win £1,000 worth each (The prizes will be awarded according to pupil numbers versus tokens collected i.e. 50 pupils collecting 6,000 tokens is the same as 100 pupils collecting 12,000 tokens).

Thank you.

The Big Battery Hunt!



A reminder that the secondary phase is taking part in the big battery hunt. Please fill your battery collection box and bring it into school for our main collection point in reception.

Each time we get the collection box emptied the school enters a draw for some exciting prizes!

Mrs Elkins

Red Robins Easter Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who baked and brought cakes for our end of term cake sale and for all the donations of bric-a-brac.

We raised an amazing £181! This will help fund the development of our outdoor area and mud kitchen.

Thanks also to all the lovely volunteers who came early to help set up the stalls and run them for us.



Red Robins Mud Kitchen

Over the Easter holiday myself and Mrs Mitchell came into school to build the mud kitchen, thankfully, we had the brainpower of Mrs White and Mr Mitchell assisting us to make the wonderful new area.

A BIG thanks to them both and to Miss Pope and Billy for providing lots of pallets for us to use.

Easter Bonnet Competition

Congratulations to Alfie and Florrie for winning the Easter Bonnet competition. All the children looked fantastic. Lots of hard work had gone into creating them.



Ski Trip 2020

Students who have been lucky enough to gain a place on the ski trip will have received acceptance letters by now. I would be grateful if the reply slips could be returned by this Friday. We have a waiting list for any places that are not filled.

Thank you - Mrs Forth

Accelerated Reader Quizzes

Congratulations to 7S and 8W, winners of the spring term Accelerated Reader Book Wars. These tutor groups achieved the highest number of book quizzes with a score of 85% or above.

The final tally was as follows:

Year 7	Year 8
7B 101	8B 52
7C 113	8C 57
7K 151	8S 49
7S 197	8W 91
7W 162	

Well done to all those students who achieved their reading targets this term. The following students have been selected for a book prize, for working hard and making excellent progress with their reading.

Year 7	Year 8
7B Mathilda Peak, Joe Taylor	8B Maddie Illsley
7C Holly Fitzpatrick, Max Bacciochi	8C Aimee Thompson
7K Skye Frier-West, Max Bradbury	8S Josh Bruce-Davies
7S Tayla-Mae Beardsworth, Kieran Read	8W Jack Cook
7W Shannon Brown, Connor Austin	

Students will be STAR tested during the next two weeks and given a new set of reading levels and targets for the summer term. In the meantime, keep up the good work and keep reading and quizzing!

Mrs Berry

Rotary Young Writer Competition Winners

Well done to all those students who submitted entries to the Rotary Young Writer Competition last term. The task of the competition was to write a short story or poem entitled 'My Inspiration'.

We are very pleased to announce that Niamh Clare-Down (7B) won first prize in the intermediate section, of the regional heat, for her poem. She then went on to achieve runner up in the district round of the competition as well.

Amelia Platt (11B) won first prize in the senior category of both the regional and district heat of the competition, for her poem of the same title. Amelia's entry will now go on to the National Final of the competition in May. Congratulations to you both and good luck Amelia for the final round.

If you would like to read Niamh's and Amelia's competition entries then please visit: Litchamlibrary.edublogs.org



UEA Wonderfest Visit

Last term students from Year 10 attended a trip to the UEA Wonderfest, an exiting programme of academic taster sessions in partnership with local higher education institutions.

Here is some of the feedback from the students:

Before I went to Wonderfest I didn't know too much about University. I didn't know much about the fees or the huge variety of degrees that are on offer. It was really interesting to get a further understanding on these topics and I really enjoyed my programme, which was health and exercise. I really enjoyed the health aspect of the programme and my favourite workshop was testing to see if medication was real or fake through science. In conclusion, I will consider University in the future as it seems worth while, especially because of the amount of diversity and option University brings.

Owen B

Today I learnt about how much the accommodation was per year and the variety of places to live in. I found it was quite cheap for how many people you can share with. I also learnt about the variety of courses that I can take that are all interesting. I enjoyed learning about the psychology of an athlete's mind and what they have to go through to mentally prepare for races. I found the day really interesting, as I found out a lot of things that are very helpful.

Georgi A

Student Success

Congratulations to Luke Johnson, Year 7, who won the Under 14's School Championship at the Norfolk School's Golf Association Championships, held at Eaton Park in April.

Luke was the Under 14 Boys Champion, representing the school and playing as a member of Middleton Hall, with net 67, gross 95.



Bus Passes

May we please remind parents/carers that students require a valid bus pass to travel to school by coach and these should be used at all times when boarding.

If passes are lost, broken, or will not scan, you will need to purchase a new one from the Local Authority. The contact number for this is: 0344 800 8020. In the short term, temporary passes are available from reception.

Year 11 Group Photograph

The Year 11 group photograph is now available to view online on the Tempest Groups website. Please note this service is for viewing images only. Ordering is via order form, which will be circulated with the individual student photographs in the next week or so.

Please access by copying and pasting the following web address into your web browser and type the school name into the search box.:

www.tempest-groups.co.uk

Secondary Phase Calendar Dates

May 2019

Wednesday	1st	Bags2School Collection
Tuesday	2nd	Anti bullying training (group of Y9 students)
Friday	3 rd	Y9 Trip to NUA—Taster Day
Monday	6th	School Closed—Bank Holiday
Thursday	9 th	Governing Body Meeting
Monday	13th	Y9 Trip to Anglia Ruskin —Taster Day
Thursday	16 th	Year 9 Meningitis Vaccinations
Friday	24th	School closes at 3.30pm for Half Term

June 2019

Monday	3rd	School re-opens (Week A)
Tuesday	4 th	Year 7 Induction Evening
Wednesday	5 th	Year 7 Family Interviews
Thursday	6 th	Year 7 Family Interviews
Friday	7 th	Year 7 Family Interviews
Friday	21 st	Dr Anna Keay speaking with Y8
Thursday	27th	School closed
Friday	28th	School closed

July 2019

Tuesday	2nd	Vaccination catch up session Year 10 Geography field trip to Sheringham
Wednesday	3 rd	IMPACT Day
Thursday	4 th	Year 10 Geography field trip to King's Lynn Summer Concert Governing Body Meeting
Friday	5 th	Y10 Walsingham Visit Y11 Prom
Monday	8 th	Y10 Work Experience begins
Wednesday	10 th	Sports Day
Monday	15 th	School Rollover
Wednesday	17 th	Lower School Disco 6.30—8.30pm
Friday	19 th	Y10 Work Experience ends
Wednesday	24th	School closes at 3.30pm for Summer

Primary Phase Calendar Dates

April 2019

Friday	26 th	Friends Quiz & Chip night at Castle Acre, Village Hall at 6.30pm
Monday	29 th	Guest Assembly— Rev Andrew King

May 2019

Wednesday	1st	Bags2School Collection
Friday	3 rd	Group/Class photos – AM
Monday	6th	School Closed – Bank Holiday
Monday	13 th	KS2 SATS week
Monday	20 th	KS2 Careers Day
Tuesday	21 st	Whitwell residential meeting for parents, 3.30—4.00pm
Wednesday	22 nd	Guest Assembly—Rev Heather Butcher New Reception Parent's evening, 5.00 – 6.00pm
Thursday	23 rd	Year 6 trip—tbc
Friday	24th	School closes at 3.30pm for half term

June 2019

Monday	3rd	Return to school after half term
Monday	17 th	Year 5 and 6 residential week
Wednesday	26 th	Guest Assembly—Rev Heather Butcher Summer disco, 5.00—6.30pm
Thursday	27th	School Closed
Friday	28th	School Closed

July 2019

Wednesday	3 rd	KS2 Dodgeball @ UEA Sportspark (12 pupils) Guest Assembly—Rev Heather Butcher
Wednesday	10 th	Year 6 leavers evening – tbc Sports day - tbc
Friday	12 th	Year 6 leaver's assembly at 9.00am
Monday	15 th	Transition day
Wednesday	17 th	Guest Assembly—Rev Heather Butcher
Monday	22 nd	Guest Assembly—Rev Andrew King
Wednesday	24th	School closes at 3.30pm for Summer holiday

Bag2School

Friends of Litcham School are pleased to announce that our next school collection date with Bag2School is:

Wednesday 1st May 2019

By getting involved in our **Bag2School** collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys. Please note bedding, curtains, and household linen cannot be accepted.

The funds raised from these collections go directly towards buying extra equipment and organising activities and events for our children at both Primary and Secondary Phases. The amount raised is calculated according to the weight of the bags collected.

In addition to raising these much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the students of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

If you fill the donation bag and still have more, then you can use **any** other bag to donate your items and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

Please bring your bag (or bags!) to Reception at either Phase at any time up until 3:30pm on Tuesday 30th April and help us have a good collection.

Many thanks indeed for helping us with this unique fundraising opportunity.

Friends of Litcham School



Chris Sanders Tennis comes to Litcham High School.

I am a Level 3 Accredited+ Coach and have been playing tennis for many years. I am the Head Coach at Great Marnham Tennis Club and North Elmham Tennis Club, I have recently been awarded the Norfolk LTA Club Coach of the Year.

I am First Aid Trained, hold a valid DBS and Safeguarding certificates.

After school tennis club on Thursdays for years 7 & 8: 3.45pm-5.15pm:

25th April

2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd May

6th, 13th, 20th, 27th June

9 sessions @ £4

TOTAL £36.00

After school tennis club on Fridays for years 9, 10 & 11: 3.45pm-5.15pm

26th April

3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th May

7th, 14th, 21st, 28th June

9 sessions @ £4

TOTAL £36.00

Payment due by 25th April for years 7 & 8, and by 26th April for years 9,10 & 11.



'Understanding your child's behaviour' A Solihull Approach Group for parents & carers of children age 11-16yrs

- ❖ Would you like to know more about your child's development during their adolescence, and why they behave in certain ways?
- ❖ Do you know why your child/adolescent gets angry and how to help them to calm down?
- ❖ Would you like to build on your confidence as a parent/caregiver?
- ❖ Would you like a chance to meet with other parents of similar aged children in a relaxed and safe environment?

What is it?

10 week free programme designed to help you (parents and carers) develop a way of relating to your child that supports their healthy development and helps you to manage their behaviour.

"I am calmer and more confident. Now I think about how my children are feeling more and the reason behind their behaviour" (Solihull Programme participating parent).

We will explore issues like:

- * Physical and emotional changes
- * Continuing to enjoy each other's company as your children grow up
- * Parenting styles
- * Communication and behaviour

When is it?

Wednesday mornings from 9.30 to 11.30am starting 8th May, 2019 (with a break for half term on 29th May) ending 10th July, 2019.

Where is it?

Swaffham Community Centre, The Campingland. PE37 7RB.

What do I do now?

- Telephone Kathy Cargill or Clare Peak (01760 720302) from Family Action.



FREEDOM PROGRAMME

Delivered in Watton

Fridays 11am—1pm

10th, 17th and 24th May 2019

7th, 14th, 21st and 28th June 2019

5th, 12th and 19th July 2019

The Freedom Programme examines the roles played by attitudes and beliefs on the actions of abusive men and the responses of victims and survivors. The aim is to help you to make sense of and understand what has happened, instead of the whole experience just feeling like a horrible mess.

The Freedom Programme also describes in detail how children are affected by being exposed to this kind of abuse and very importantly how their lives are improved when the abuse is removed.

To book your place, please contact us on 01953 880903 or email: help@daisyprogramme.org.uk or <https://daisyprogramme.org.uk>

