



Lulworth & Winfrith CE Primary School

Belief, Fellowship, Harmony
Matthew 31:32 - 33



Autumn 1, Week 1 Newsletter

Dear Families,

It has been an absolute joy to welcome all our pupils back for a new academic year and I know staff have really enjoyed catching up with children and parents throughout the last few days. I want to extend an extra warm greeting to all of our new families; whether your child is in our new reception cohort or if they have joined another year group. We hope that you will already be feeling settled and that you are very soon feeling immersed as part of our school community.

Welcome Sessions for Parents/Carers

Thank you to those who have already attended one of the Welcome sessions we have put on for each class at the start of this term. We hope these meetings give you the opportunity to hear about what your child will be learning over the course of the year, but also a bit more about the timetable, classroom routines and how you can help at home.

Dorset Travel Minibuses

I also want to thank you for your efforts adjusting to our new school day timings and for striving to ensure your child is dropped off and collected at the appropriate time. Despite many preparation meetings with colleagues at Dorset Council, there have clearly been some issues with the arrival times of the Council buses. I have no doubt that this has been incredibly frustrating for those affected. Dorset Travel have assured us they will now be able to follow the agreed routes and timings, though they have also asked me to inform you of the importance of children being at the drop off points at the correct time. So far this week, some drivers have waited for children to arrive but have made clear they cannot continue to do this. Thank you for your support in this.

If your child is eligible for transport, please do remember that you can speak directly to the Dorset Travel team if you want to share any feedback or have any queries. These minibuses are not run by the school.

Communication

Every week we will send out a brief bulletin like this one on a Friday. The aim of this communication is for me to be able to share some topical information which I hope will be useful, and we will also celebrate some weekly awards, outline the current attendance figures and provide reminders for upcoming event dates. Nevertheless, throughout each week we will of course send out additional and separate information when needed so please do ensure you keep your contact details updated through Arbor.

Those of you who are familiar with Lulworth & Winfrith CE Primary will already know that we do all we can to promote positive relationships between school staff and families. We also strive to ensure effective communication takes place so that we can work together to support your child/ren in the best possible way. There will always be a staff member on the door/gate at the start and end of the school day so please always know that we are here if you want to ask any quick questions or need to raise a concern. Similarly, Mrs Woolley, Mrs Moore and Mrs Temple-Webb are on hand in the school offices and Miss Hardy and I can be contacted no matter which site we are working on that day. We are aware that it is not always possible to be at the school in person so please do remember you can email us on lwps.office@coastalpartnership.co.uk and we will respond as soon as possible. Your email will be forwarded to the most appropriate staff member and we can always arrange phone conversations or additional meetings if needed.

Finally, I want to wish you a relaxing weekend. This first weekend can sometimes be a challenging one as children are adjusting back to school routines (possibly for the first time) and they may feel tired, confused, very excited or an array of other emotions! We will be looking forward to welcoming the children back on Monday and supporting them through their first full week of the term and please do just keep talking to us if there is anything we can do to support you further.

Mrs Griffiths
Headteacher

WEEKLY TIMETABLE		
PE (children wear PE kit)	Day	Forest School (children wear PE kit)
Tadnoll, Hambury, Worbarrow	Monday	
Blacknoll, Bindon	Tuesday	Tadnoll (AM) Blacknoll (PM)
Hambury, Bindon	Wednesday	
Worbarrow	Thursday	
	Friday	

Wrap Around Club

It is great to see that parents/carers are finding our wrap around club at Larks and Owls useful and I know the team have enjoyed welcoming lots of children in already this week.

Please ensure ALL bookings are made through the Arbor app or through contacting the school office directly. Unfortunately, individual staff members are unable to take bookings for parents/carers.

Our policy was shared last year and if you do want to check any aspect of the booking or payment systems connected to these clubs, please do refer to our website:

<https://lulworth-and-winfrith.secure-primariesite.net/wraparound-care-documents/>

Extra-Curricular Clubs

We are currently finalising the offer of clubs for the autumn term and more details will follow in the first week back. At present, clubs are likely to follow this timetable:

Monday: KS2 sports club (Lulworth site) & KS1 Fun Science Club (Winfrith)

Tuesday: KS2 Fun Science Club (Lulworth site) & KS1 forest school club (Winfrith)

Wednesday: KS2 forest school club (Lulworth)

Thursday: KS2 sports club (Lulworth site)

Future Education to Think About

For those moving to Year 6 in September 2025, please look out for emails from the Local Authority in regard to looking at Secondary school. Open Days will be available for you and your child to visit around the district. Applications for secondary education usually have a cut off by 31st October 2025.

If you are planning to change schools mid-year, please do get in contact with the office. This is so we can ensure your child's records are transferred to their new school.

Upcoming Dates

SEPTEMBER

Monday 8 th	Tadnoll "Welcome to Year R and Year 1" information session for parents	14.30 - 15.05
Tuesday 9 th	Blacknoll "Welcome to Year 1 and 2" information session for parents	14.30 - 15.05
Wednesday 10 th	Bindon "Welcome to Year 3 and 4" information session for parents	14.45 - 15.15
	KS2 After school Forest School Club	15.15 - 16.30
Thursday 11 th	KS2 After School Sports Club	15.15 - 16.30