



NEWSLETTER



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	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
6-10 Nov	Lunchtime Mindfulness Club Yrs3-6 swimming/PE	Lunchtime Multiskills Club	Lunchtime Chess Club Lunchtime Homework Club	Lunchtime Coding Club (Skylarks)	Lunchtime Recorder Club Lunchtime Library Club Lunchtime Ball Games Club 3:00pm Celebration Assembly
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Dates for your Diary

7 & 8 November	Parent/Teacher appointments
10 November	10:45am Remembrance Service at Lapford Memorial
20 November	Years 3&4 Dodgeball at Haywards School
22 November	Christmas Craft Day
25 November	10:00—1:00pm Lapford Christmas Market. Flyer on page 3. Funds raised to FLS
28 November	Year 1&2 Multiskills at Chulmleigh Primary School
4-8 December	Year 6 Bikeability course at school. Places now open to Year 5 pupils on first come first served basis
8 December	5:00—6:30pm FLS Christmas Disco
11 December	3:30pm FLS Cake Sale
13 December	Robins trip to Dear Santa at Northcott Theatre, Exeter
15 December	LAST DAY OF TERM.

Dear Parents/ Carers

Black History

We've had a super first week back to school. At the beginning of the week all the classes were involved in learning about Black History, following this year's Black History theme of Saluting Our Sisters. Children in Robins learnt about Ruby Bridges who was the first black girl to join a school where previously only white children were educated. Skylarks found out more about Rosa Parks and Kingfishers found out about Baroness Floella Benjamin and the Windrush Generation. Herons found out about Maya Angelou and enjoyed learning about her poems. They created some beautiful artwork based on her poem 'Caged Bird'. On Wednesday, we came together to share our learning with each other in assembly.

Dance Workshop

On Friday some of our Key Stage S2 children travelled to Chulmleigh Primary School to take part in a dance workshop with Aakash Odedra Company. The workshop explored the theme of living with a learning difficulty, facing challenges and overcoming the odds. The children spent the day working with other children from across the Trust before moving across the road to Chulmleigh Community College to watch the Aakash Odera Company in action with their performance of Little Murmur.



Parent/Teacher Meetings

This week sees our first parent/teacher meetings of the year. These appointments will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday so please do catch me on the gate or email the office to sign up for an appointment. Please note that Miss Evans is currently off work, recovering from a minor operation. Therefore parent/teacher meetings for Kingfishers will be rescheduled once she has returned to work. We all miss her and wish her a speedy recovery.

Remembrance Service

This Friday we will be remembering soldiers that have given their lives fighting for our country. We will be walking to the war memorial for a short Remembrance Service on Friday at 10.45am and would be delighted if you were able to join us there. As in previous years, we are collecting on behalf of the Royal British Legion and have a range of poppy themed items on sale throughout the week. School Council members will be selling these items at break time all week or they are available before school from the school office.

Have a fantastic week.

Mrs Wright

LAPFORD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH



Let's make
a
"HOST OF
ANGELS"

Come and have fun.

On *Saturday 2nd December* from
10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.

We are meeting in the Chapel to make paper angels.

We will 'fly' the angels and you will see your angel when
you come to your School Christmas service, or the Congs
carol service

There will be everything that you need to make at least one
angel (we need lots) and we would love you to help us.

There will be free Squash and biscuits to keep your
creative juices flowing.

Wellies and Warm Clothes for Winter!



As we head towards the Winter season, a
number of our pupils are
still coming to school
without coats or wellies,
preventing them from
playing on the field area.

Please can we remind
parents/carers to ensure
that their children are
dressed for the weather.



**Christmas
Village Market**

25TH NOVEMBER

LAPFORD VICTORY HALL

ALL FUNDS RAISED WILL GO TO
FRIENDS OF LAPFORD SCHOOL

10AM-1PM

KIDS CRAFTS, CAKE STALL,
CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES
BACON AND SAUSAGE BAPS
AND MUCH MORE!

STALLS AVAILABLE FOR £5

To book a stall contact Stacey Lumsdon on:
07891 556884 or lapfordvillagemarket@gmail.com

Struggling to top up your prepayment meter?

You might be able to claim fuel vouchers

If you have prepayment meters and can't afford to top them up,
we can help. We may be able to give you fuel vouchers, and our
specialist energy team can help you find ways to save money on
your household bills

Call 01237 879233, email fuelvouchers@ruraldevoncab.org.uk
or scan the QR code to request a call back



**citizens
advice** Torridge, North,
Mid & West Devon



Registered charity number: 1068496



the national sleep helpline

Does your child suffer with sleep issues?

Do you struggle with your child's bedtime?

Will your child not sleep in their own bed?

WE CAN HELP

03303 530 541
 Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm
 Monday & Wednesday 9am - 11am

the national sleep helpline

50%

Around 50% of children will have a sleep issue at some point*

WHAT IS THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE?
 In partnership with Furniture Village, The Sleep Charity has launched a brand new National Sleep Helpline to ensure that everyone has access to high quality, evidence-based advice.

HOW CAN THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE HELP YOU?

- Run by a team of specialist trained sleep advisors
- Offer you some practical strategies and recommend services that could help
- Ensuring you understand how sleep plays an important part in your child's mental health and wellbeing
- Listen without judgement and help you decide what next steps are right for you
- Empower you with sleep knowledge so you can understand why your child might not be sleeping well and how that can change

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POWERED BY the sleep charity

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH Furniture Village

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 *Survey of 2,000 adults by OnePoll, Aug 2021

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

Poppies, and a variety of other items will be available to purchase every day from Monday in the office before school, and for the pupils during break time.

Remembrance Service for pupils - Friday 10th November

The children will be gathering at the Lapford War Memorial at 10:45am on Friday 10th November, to pay our respects to those who fought and lost their lives during World War 1 and 2.

If your Nursery aged child attends school on that day, and you would like them to participate, we ask that their parent/carer accompanies them. Any children in the Nursery that are not attending will remain with staff in The Nest.



OPAL Update



Playtimes last week:



Opal Gold Award

Austin has won the OPAL Gold Award for creativity. During last week, he designed and created a water works using pipes, trays, buckets, which many children have benefited from by playing with it.





Stars of the Week - 3rd November



Congratulations to Sapphire, Reece R and Edward!



Lapford Legends—3rd November



TO BE REVEALED!



Congratulations to Louise, George and Noah R!



**YOUR
SCHOOL
LOTTERY**

1

JOIN OUR LOTTERY



2

BOOST SCHOOL FUNDS



3

WIN CASH PRIZES



It's As Easy As



- Join our weekly lottery from just £1 a week
- It's an easy way to support our school and help raise funds
- 40% of ticket sales go straight to our school funds
- There's a guaranteed winner every week as well as the chance to win £25,000

[**Click Here to Buy A Ticket**](#)

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older.

CHULMLEIGH ACADEMY TRUST

School Terms and Holiday Dates - 2023/2024 Academic Year

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26 December 2023
01 January 2024
29 March 2024 (Good Friday)
01 April 2024 (Easter Monday)
06 May 2024 (May Day)
27 May 2024 (Spring Bank Holiday)
26 August 2024 (Summer Bank Holiday)

Non-Pupil Days

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