October Sway Paper version



NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic start to the school year this term has been. It has been my pleasure to welcome back the students and see them settle so well into the new school year, and to see our new students so happy and positive as they become part of the Lampard community.

I am always bowled over by the lengths that the staff here go to, to ensure our EMPOWER curriculum is engaging and exciting and meets the needs of all our learners. This term has been no exception, as the photos below will show you! Lampard is a vibrant and happy place to learn and we appreciate the support that you, as parents and carers, continually give to ensure your children attend school and flourish.

The school community has embraced the arrival of our first farm animals – Roly and Reggie, who are our kune kune pigs – and we look forward to growing this provision over the coming year as we embrace outdoor life and the benefits caring for animals and being outdoors brings to us all.

Please read on and find out more news of what has been happening at Lampard this term!

I wish you are very happy and safe half term holiday.

Best regards,

Jennie Harvey

Head Teacher



FRIENDS OF LAMPARD

We are hoping to have another successful year raising vital funds to support the school. We held our AGM on 6th October 2023 and the new committee has been voted in. If you'd like to join us for

meetings, this year we are going to run a dual online/in person meeting. Our next meeting is being held on Friday 24.11.23 at 10.00am. The TEAMs link is below if you can join us virtually. If you need any more information, please email friends@lampard.devon.sch.uk¹

Click here to join the meeting²

Meeting ID: 382 573 775 457

Passcode: zyu36J

Thanks,

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²https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-

LOWER SCHOOL

Deer

This term we have been learning about transport. One week for reading café we pretended we were on a plane. We had a boarding pass and passport to get on the plane. We had to watch the safety boarding video and even had air hostesses give us a drink and biscuit.





Exe

Exe class have had a fantastic half term, all settling into the new class and making new friends. The students have really enjoyed our theme of transport, they have shared their extensive knowledge and learnt new things. For example, we have been learning all about trains and we had an amazing trip to Woody Bay, seeing and riding on the steam train, what an adventure! We have also had lots of fun in our Forest School, riding on scooters, learning gymnastic moves, using iPads to take photos, learning to do advert voice overs, cooking, yoga, making boats and learning to sing the cauliflower fluffy song, just to name a few! What a fabulous time.









Mole

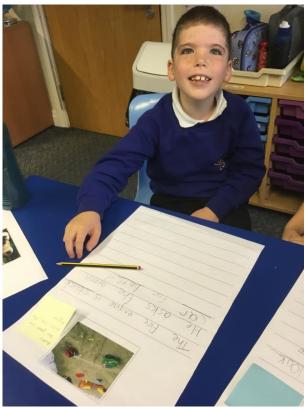
We have been looking at our number system, counting, comparing and ordering numbers. We are using resources, pictures and symbols to help us calculate addition and subtraction number sentences, and working out fact families.

In English we have been writing a class story entitled 'The Naughty Fire Engine', based on the funny book 'The Naughty Bus'. In Humanities we have been learning about transport and we had an amazing trip to Woody Bay station and rode on a real steam train! In Science we have been learning about the human body and our senses, and exploring ways to keep ourselves healthy.

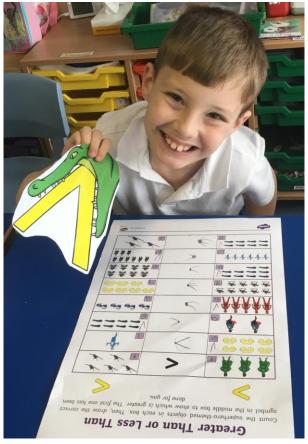




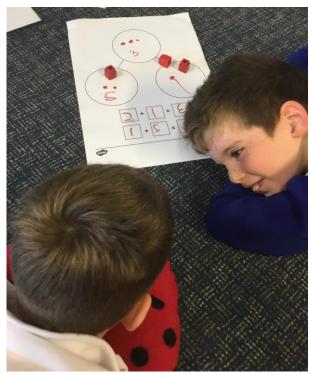












Otters

The students in Otters have settled well into their class and are enjoying making new friends and building relationships with adults. We have been exploring transport as our theme and have enjoyed learning about trains, tractors and boats! We will continue learning about different types of transport old and new! Within our busy curriculum we have been outside in our Forest School area looking for signs of autumn and enjoying the lovely weather. Students have discovered the fairy house, water pipes and taken part in the wonderful activities facilitated by our outdoor lead.







Umber

Umber have had a busy week. We walked to the Iron Bridge in Rock Park with Mr K for our History lesson. Mr K told us that the train used to go over the bridge. We even got to take Mr Ks dogs with us. On Tuesday we went on the steam train at Woody Bay. Dylan said it was fun in the forest. Esther said it was exciting. Hope was chosen to hold out the keys for the driver. She even got to pull the lever to change the track. Isaac was given the job of carrying the lantern to the other end of the train. Umber class have enjoyed learning about steam trains and watching the fireman putting coal into the boiler.

We love taking Barney Bear out with us too. He loves being outside.







Taw

Taw have had a wonderful start to the new school year and Mrs Peters has really enjoyed getting to know all the children. We have met our new pigs Roly and Reggie who are setting well into Lampard and have enjoyed spending our time in the forest school classroom. Transport has been our topic this term and yesterday we visited Woody Bay station which provided the children with an enriching experience enjoyed by all. The children have also loved making boats and testing them on water to see if they float.





Tavy

Tavy class have been fortunate enough to enjoy two lovely trips in the last week. We have visited Woody Bay and Made-Well farm. Students enjoyed riding on a steam train at Woody Bay and going for a woodland walk. At Made-Well students were able to interact with lots of animals and lead the ponies on a walk. All the students had a wonderful time and we are very much looking forward to more visits next term.









MIDDLE SCHOOL

Lyn

The entry for this half terms newsletter has been written by Alfie, from Lyn Class.

This term our topic is chocolate. First we tasted chocolate, milk was my favourite, the dark was too strong and the white was too sickly.

Then we made rocky road from a recipe, then we made our own rocky road. I used milk chocolate, marshmallows and Oreos. We also made chocolate chip cookies and last week we made brownies. My favourite thing to make was the brownies, they tasted really good!

I learned that it's difficult to make chocolate from cacao beans and I'm looking forward to making my own chocolate in Food Tech next week.







Tamar

It's been a fantastic start to the new school year with Tamar. We have had lots of opportunities to take part in different activities, to get to know one another and to have a look around the school to see the new building and the new addition...

Tamar class showed off their artistic and resourceful skills in the outdoor areas, gathering what they could find to make some natural artwork. The class had the opportunity to do this as a team or individually and enjoyed the process.

We have had the chance to use the new sports hall and have even had a go at Tri golf. Tamar class showed me that they can be encouraging to their class peers and work well as a team.

The children loved the chance to walk out to the Forest School area to meet the schools' new pigs, Rolly and Reggie. The pigs seemed to be enjoying their new home and the class loved hearing about what type of pig they are, what they eat and how they will be looked after.

As part of Middle Schools topic 'Chocolate', Tamar class travelled to Melchior Chocolate shop to take a peek at how their products are made and the selection of different chocolates they have to offer. Tamar even had a little taster to try which was warmly received.













Barle

We have had a lovely start to the year and are thoroughly enjoying our chocolate topic! The students are settling in well together and have started to make some firm friends. Future Fridays activities have seen us working hard in the garden, collecting the whole school's recycling and sports in the new sports hall. In English we have been studying poetry and having fun with chocolate alliteration! In Maths we have focused on calculation, money and time, we are all really enjoying this. PSHE has had a focus on our emotions and strategies for self-regulation. We have found out where chocolate comes from and have tasted a bit too! We enjoyed the visit into school by the funny author, John

Townsend. We are looking forward to the next half term and what is in store for Barle Class 2023/24!





Venn

Venn class have begun to settle into the new school year and have been enjoying (tasting) the Middle School topic of chocolate! Outside we have been planting seeds and helping to prepare the school garden even if it might mean getting a little bit mucky... In class we are getting to know each other better and finding hobbies and pastimes that we share with one another.







Waldon

Waldon have had a fantastic start this Autumn Term, getting stuck into our chocolate topic. They have made some very creative pieces of art to inspire their poetry writing and taken inspiration from Michael Rosen when performing their own poems. We have enjoyed our time outdoors, working in the garden and safely making fires. Students have started doing class jobs each day, including cleaning tables, windows, sorting recycling and organising class resources.







Torridge

Torridge have settled into the new school year really well. The class have had lots of opportunities to build their friendships, using important teamwork in our gardening sessions, as well using

encouraging communication at our recent trip to Rock and Rapid where we had a bouldering lesson. Torridge have thoroughly enjoyed our chocolate topic this half term. This included a trip to Melchoir, a luxury chocolate shop in South Molton. Torridge were fortunate enough to observe a professional chocolatier decorating chocolates and even got to taste some! In English we have been thinking of chocolate alliteration and using adjectives to describe the chocolate after taste testing it! Our year 9's also went on a trip to the Barnstaple fair which they loved, and even conquered some fears, leaving our Year 8's very excited for their turn next year. Torridge class have worked really hard this half term and are looking forward to next half term.















UPPER SCHOOL

Caen

Caen class have had a good start to the new school year. It's been so exciting for the new students who have moved in to Upper School to see what the hype has been all about. For many of the students getting the chance to go offsite to Petroc, in our options lessons, has been amazing. Not only has the chance to go to Petroc been so exciting but we've been to Rock and Rapids for Future Fridays. Somehow in such a busy half term, we've been exploring the world of work on Friday mornings. Billy Stanbury very kindly came in to chat about his career path and how his boxing passion led to a fun and fulfilling career as a professional boxer. Thank you for coming in, Billy!











Bray

Bray class have made a great start to the new term and settled in to their new class in the Ocean Building. We have been busy getting to know one another and took a trip to the Liberty café at Petroc last Friday, as many of us are thinking about college now we are in year 11. We have also led a school assembly about one of the school values — Listening. We really enjoyed filming our parts and thinking about why it is important to be a good listener. We have started our options and we all agreed that we enjoy having more choice and becoming more independent in our learning.





Heddon

Heddon have a had a brilliant start to the term. Everyone has settled into the new building, it's so exciting!

Students have been working hard, adjusting to life in Upper School.

The class have also had the opportunity to access The Liberty Centre Cafe, to give them an idea of what it might be like to be a student at Petroc.







Dart

The students in Dart class have settled in well this half term and have been working hard towards their exams. We have been to visit the pigs Roly and Reggie lots and helped to look after them. We have also had two visits to the Liberty Café at Petroc which the students enjoyed.









Yeo

Two students from Yeo represented Lampard at a recent football tournament. The rest of Yeo have had an excellent start to term.



Upper School Options - farm Students

Our school pigs Roly and Reggie have been settling in well to their new home. The Upper School farm group have been helping to look after them by learning about how to care for them. The students helped to make a wallow pit which the pigs loved, and they also helped to make a dung heap. We look forward to updating you on Roly and Reggie's progress!







OUTDOOR LEARNING

The students were gifted a pond to recycle. They went and collected it then began digging a large hole to put it in.

After a few months of work, it is finished and it looks amazing. Most materials used were recycled. We can't wait to see which wildlife wants to use it for their home.





NEWS & NOTIFICATIONS

CHRISTMAS CARD ORDERS

If you would like to purchase your child's Christmas card design, you will need to place your order on Online Order Portal | School Fundraising (sforders.co.uk)³ by Monday 6th November 2023.

To access your child's design and place an order you need to enter your 12 Character PIN Code in the boxes. Your PIN Code will be shown on your personalised order form and is unique to your child's artwork.

³https://sforders.co.uk/





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