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To the Light: News from Pembridge CE Primary School

Friday 9th October 2026

Dates for your diaries:

For all clubs, please book in with the office.

Mondays
Gymnastics collect 4.20pm.
Bring PE kit

Tuesdays
Young Voices Choir collect 4pm
Spotlight Club collect 4.30pm

Thursdays
Hockey Club collect 4.20pm
Bring PE kit

Fridays
Piano/Keyboard Lessons

13th October
Year R Vision Screening

14th October
Autumn Enrichment

19th October
Flu Vaccination Day

22nd October
Harvest Service at 2.30pm

4th November
Parents Meetings starting 1.30pm

Hereford FC Draw

Congratulations to Sawyer in Class 2, who has been drawn as this week's lucky recipient of our Hereford FC season tickets!

We hope Sawyer and his guest have a fantastic time cheering on Hereford FC this weekend.

Dear Parents and Carers

This week, I introduced our new school rules of **Ready, Respectful and Safe** during a whole-school assembly. These simple, positive expectations will help to create a calm, supportive and successful learning environment for all of our children. The rules have been developed with input from the children themselves, helping to ensure that everyone understands what it means to be ready to learn, respectful towards others and safe in all areas of school life. Over the coming weeks, staff will be working closely with pupils to explore what these rules look like in practice, and we look forward to celebrating the many examples of children demonstrating them each day.

Katie Froggatt

Wellies

As we move into the wetter months, we are asking that every child brings a named pair of wellies to keep in school. Having wellies available will allow us to make full use of our school field throughout the year, giving children more opportunities to enjoy outdoor play, whatever the weather.

Please ensure that your child's wellies are clearly labelled with their name. If you have any difficulties providing a pair of wellies, please speak to Mrs Wood or Miss Froggatt, who will be happy to help.

Thank you for your support in helping us make the most of our wonderful outdoor spaces all year round.

The Value this month is: Stewardship

Harvest Service

We would like to warmly invite parents and carers to join us for our Harvest Service on Thursday 22nd October at 2:30pm in the School Hall.

During the service, we will celebrate Harvest together and share some of the exciting activities and learning that have taken place during our Harvest Enrichment Day.

As part of our Harvest celebrations, children are invited to bring a donation for Leominster Food Bank. Current suggested items include: tinned meat, fish, vegetables, fruit, soup and puddings, breakfast cereals, long-life milk, pasta sauces, biscuits, jam, coffee, tea bags and squash. All donations should be non-perishable and in date, please.

Reporting Absences and Appointments

Please remember to let the school office know if your child is going to be absent from school. You can do this by email or telephone, and we ask that you please include the reason for their absence.

For any medical or dental appointments that take place during the school day, please let the school office know as soon as possible. We will also require evidence of the appointment sent by email, please. This could be a photo of an appointment letter or card or a screenshot of an email/text message reminder.

Thank you for your cooperation and for helping us to manage attendance effectively.

Helpful Information:

Scan this QR code for a one-stop shop for any information regarding SEND.

Don't Forget:

Before-School Club
8am-8.45am (daily) - £3 a session
After-School Club:
3.15-5pm (Mon-Thu), 3.15-4.30 (Fri)
£7 a session
BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL and a week in advance please.

Please Remember:

- Please ensure all items of school uniform are named.
- Jewellery (necklaces, bracelets etc) should not be worn to school. Stud earrings must be removed by the child for PE or not worn on days when it is PE.
- 8 hour suncream should be applied before children come to school on sunny days.
- Don't forget your child needs a coat for damp weather or a sunhat for when the sun shines!
- Grapes and cherry tomatoes need to be cut in quarters lengthways, to avoid choking hazards.
- No popcorn for young children for similar reasons
- We are a NO NUT school – please check ingredients in packed lunches.

Congratulations!

We enjoy hearing about achievements awarded outside school – do share them with us. We will include names here of children here who have been awarded certificates in their classes.

Gold certificates:
Nursery - Theo
Class 1 – Ethan & Darcy
Class 2 – Albert
Class 3 – Dom, Alfie & Tommy
Courtesy Cup – Sasha

We encourage you to share our learning at home.

	This week we have been learning about...	...and what to look forward to.
Nursery	We have enjoyed developing our knowledge of 2D shapes this week. Children have been spotting shapes within the environment throughout the day and correctly naming. A fantastic outdoor learning session took place on Tuesday when the children were blindfolded and had to travel along an obstacle course with support with or without a peer. This helped us to think about our sense of sight. Whereas in phonics the children have been putting their listening skills to practice and having to listen to sounds they may hear in the home. Great learning Nursery! We've had a few visitors to Nursery this week and they all said how super you were. Thanks for being YOU!	Next week on Wednesday, we look forward to our Harvest Enrichment Day- please can children come wearing outdoor clothes. We shall not be doing outdoor learning on Thursday due to this enrichment. Our Nursery rhyme next week will be 'Once I caught a fish alive.' We will be thinking about repeated patterns in Maths. Perhaps you may have opportunities over the weekend to begin to look at the environment around you and find patterns.
Class 1 (Reception and Year 1)	Year 1 have been busy planning and have started writing their own innovative versions of *The Gingerbread Man*. The children have enjoyed exploring new ideas for their stories and are beginning to develop their writing by creating exciting characters and story events. In Maths, Reception have been focusing on the numbers 1, 2 and 3. They have been practising counting, recognising numerals and developing their subitising skills by quickly identifying small quantities without counting.	Next week, we have our Harvest Enrichment Day to look forward to on Wednesday. The children will be taking part in a range of activities linked to the harvest season and stewardship. Please ensure your child comes to school dressed in Forest School clothing. Children must wear long sleeves and long trousers or leggings. Please also send your child with waterproofs and wellies, as appropriate for the weather on the day. Children do not need to wear forest school clothes on Thursday and should come in normal school uniform.
If Key Stage 1 children have lace up trainers for their PE they must be able to tie these themselves. If not, please can they have Velcro trainers.		
Class 2 (Year 2 and Year 3)	In RE, we have used our knowledge of the story of Rama and Sita to learn about how Hindus celebrate Diwali by making our own Rangoli patterns with coloured sand, designing our own Mendhi patterns for Henna and making collage Diya lamps. Why is the festival of light so important to Hindus?	Using our writing skills and sentence structures we've been practising in our innovated stories, we will be planning and starting our own independent stories. We've shared parts of our innovations on Seesaw!
Class 3 (Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6)	In history this week, children have been learning about the strategies that enabled Britain to win the Battle of Britain during WW2. We are looking forward to a visit from Mr Dinsdale (LHS Teacher), who will be visiting at some point this term to share his WW2 expertise.	Next week, we will be independently writing our own portal stories in English lessons. In maths, Year 5 and 6 pupils will be moving onto multiplication and division. Year 4 pupils will be starting the addition and subtraction topic.

Class Attendance

A huge well done to everyone for another fantastic week of attendance. This week, our whole school attendance was an excellent **99.1%**. Thank you to all of our families for supporting good attendance and ensuring children arrive at school every day, on time and ready to learn.

Class 1: 98.2%
Class 2: 99.4%
Class 3: 99.6%