



Dear Parents and Carers, Welcome back! We hope you had a restful and enjoyable summer break. As we step into a new school year filled with possibilities, we're excited to see familiar faces and welcome new members to our school community.

This year promises to be one of growth, learning, and achievement. Our dedicated staff have been hard at work preparing engaging lessons and enriching activities that will inspire curiosity and foster a love of learning.

Please take note of our diary dates at the bottom of the Newsletter. New dates going forward will be added in **red**.

A Big Well done to our amazing Reception stars! You've made it through your very first week of school, and what a week it's been! You've learned new things, made new friends, and already shown so much courage and enthusiasm. We are so proud of you all.

Our New Sensory Garden is Open!

We're so excited to share that our beautiful **new sensory garden** is now complete – and the children at **Loddiswell Primary School** are already loving it!

A HUGE thank you to our incredible **PTFA**, who have worked so hard to bring this special space to life. What was once an empty corner of the school grounds is now a colourful, calming, and creative area filled with sights, sounds, scents, and textures for all our children to enjoy. A special thanks to Tesco for their generous Stronger Starts grant which helped fund this fantastic project.

This garden isn't just a lovely space – it's been designed to support wellbeing, curiosity, and sensory development. It's a peaceful spot to reflect, a fun place to explore, and a celebration of what our amazing school community can achieve when we come together.

We're so grateful to everyone who helped make this happen – from fundraising and donating to digging, planting and painting.

Come and take a look next time you're at school – and join us in celebrating this wonderful new addition to Loddiswell Primary!



A BIG
Thank
YOU

PE DAYS

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| Reception | Monday and Friday |
| Class 2 (Year 1) | Monday and Tuesday |
| Class 3 (Year 2 & 3) | Monday and Wednesday |
| Class 4 (Year 4 & 5) | Monday and Friday |
| Class 5 (year 6) | Monday and Wednesday |

Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on a Monday ONLY. On all other PE days, please bring PE kit in a bag to change into.

Please note all clubs will go live on MCAS at 5.30pm this evening. If your child does not secure a space in their chosen club, please join the waiting list.

| | Clubs | Number of children | Teacher | KS Group | Time | Room |
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| Monday | Year 6 SATS | All Year 6 | Miss Priest | Year 6 | 3.30-4.15 | C5 |
| | Choir | 12 | Mrs Reeve | Year 2-6 | 12-12.30 | C4 |
| Tuesday | Mindful colouring | 12 | Mrs Kirkham | Year 1 and 2 | 12.30-1 | C1 |
| | Football Club | | A4A | Years 1, 2 & KS2 | Book via A4A: https://activities.bookebble.co.uk/activity/achieve4all-football-club-ks12-loddiswell-monday-kingsbridge-64ff786c-1f3a-4e2c-80c1-88e97acd6f4f | |
| Wednesday | Reading Club | 12 | Mrs Shuttleworth | KS2 | 12-12.30 | C2 |
| Wednesday | Tag Rugby Training | 14 | Mrs Meek | KS2-Tag rugby training for tournament | 3.30-4.15 | Hall/ Outside |
| Thursday | TT Rockstars | 12 | Mrs Clark | Year 4/5 | 12-12.30 | C3 |
| | Lego Club | 12 | Mrs Freeman | KS1 | 3.30-4.15 | C1 |
| | Board Games | 12 | Mrs Dunton | KS 2 | 3.30-4.15 | C4 |

Discovery Surf

What's New This Year?

We're expanding surf club! With our new base at **Bantham**, we're thrilled to offer:

4 New Surf Clubs at Bantham – after school and weekends

5 Surf Club Options continuing at our Bigbury HQ

Booking Info & Club Details

All course dates, times, and options are now live — just follow the link below:

<https://discoverysurf.com/blogs/news/surf-club-2025-dates>

- When booking, **please clearly specify**:
- Bantham **or** Bigbury
- Which club option you're booking into
- Any sessions you **can't attend** (this really helps with planning)

Heads up: We've got some mighty tides rolling in during September, which means a few sessions will be skipped — so please check the schedule closely!



Stars of the Week

- Class 1 Erin**
- Class 2 Nemi**
- Class 3 Isaac**
- Class 4 Joey**
- Class 5 Joseph**

Yours sincerely,

Tess Coulthard

Executive Head Teacher

Lucinda Kirkham
Head of School

Diary Dates – New events in **RED**



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| Thursday 11 th September | Whole School | Individual and Siblings School Photos @ 8.30am |
| | Year 1 and Year 6 | Meet the teacher @ 3.30pm |
| Friday 12 th September | Year 2 and Year 3 | Meet the teacher @ 3.30pm |
| Thursday 18 th September | Whole School | Nasal Flu Vaccinations (see letter re. consent) |
| Friday 19 th September | Year 5 & 6 | Jays Charity Visit in School |
| W/C Monday 29 th September | Year 5 | Bikeability |
| Friday 3 rd October | Whole School | Harvest Assembly @ 2.30pm Parents welcome in school hall |
| Saturday 4 th October | Everyone | PTFA Big Breakfast |
| Friday 10 th October | Year 5 & 6 | Rotary Swimming Gala @ Quayside |
| Wednesday 22 nd October | KS2 | Tag Rugby Tournament @ Loddiswell |
| Friday 24 th October | Reception | Open afternoon. Parents welcome 2.30-3pm. |
| Monday 27 th October -Friday 31 st October | Whole School | Half Term Break |
| Wednesday 12 th November | Year 2 | Oral Health Visit |
| Wednesday 3 rd December | TBC | X Country @ Malborough |
| Tuesday 16 th December | KS1 | Christmas Play PM 2.15pm |
| Wednesday 17 th December | KS1 | Christmas Play AM 10am |
| | KS2 | Christmas Play PM 5.30pm |
| Thursday 18 th December | KS2 | Christmas Play AM 10am |
| Friday 19 th December | Whole School | End of Term |
| Friday 3 rd July | Whole School | Sports Day |

School Meals and Universal Infant Free School Meals

Please ensure school meals are paid in advance via Bromcom. Meals can be ordered a week in advance for your child via the app. The price of a school meal from the 1st September 2025 is now:

- **£2.60 per day**
- **£13.00 per week**

If you experience any difficulties ordering or booking meals please contact the School Office. If you feel that your child may be entitled to Free School Meals, due to your financial circumstances, please contact Devon County Council either by phone on 0345 155 1019 or by visiting their website portal at:

https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE

If your child has moved up from Year 2 to Year 3, please note you will no longer qualify for Universal Infant free School Meals and will now need to pay for your child's meals, unless your child is entitled to Free School Meals as detailed above.

Privacy Notices

Schools collect, store, process, share and dispose of lots of personal information relating to pupils, parents, governors, employees and visitors. Our Privacy notices are available via our school website: <https://www.loddiswellprimaryschool.co.uk/> Privacy notice page .

The purpose of these privacy notices is to inform you how and why we are processing your personal data, the rights you have around this and the schools legal obligation and responsibility for protecting your data.

Data Collection Information

At school we have an electronic pupil information system where we record important information about your child's personal details, such as; contacts and their details, medical and dietary details, and any other important information supplied by parents and carers. As we are now using Bromcom, parents are able to check that the information we hold is correct and up to date via the MCAS app. If you would like a paper copy of your child's data collection form then please contact the school office who will be able to arrange this for you to update. It is vitally important that this information is up to date for every child in school and particularly with regard to any contact or medical information the school needs to be aware of.

Agreements/Consent Forms

During the course of your child's education, all parents and carers complete a KS1 and a KS2 Agreement pack which contains consent for your child for local school visits, photos, video, audio and communication. If you wish to update/opt out of any of your child's consent information, then please contact the school office in the first instance. You can request for this information to be updated or can opt in/out at any time during the academic year.