

Newsletter

November



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Dates for your diary

Wednesday 2nd November	Oral Health Care Session (Year 4 Pupils)	
	Parents Evening	3.40—5.30pm
Thursday 3rd November	Parents Evening	5.00—7.00pm
Friday 4th November	Full House Friday (Non Uniform Day)	
Tuesday 8th November	Year 5 Swimming	
Wednesday 9th November	Netball & Football match at LPS against Stoke Prior	3.30pm
Thursday 10th November	Year 3 trip to Botanical Gardens Birmingham (Group 1)	
Friday 11th November	Year 3 trip to Botanical Gardens Birmingham (Group 2)	
Monday 14th November	Operation Christmas Child Boxes Due in	
	Year 6 Parental Engagement	1.45pm
Tuesday 15th November	Year 4 Swimming	
	3HW Class assembly	2.45pm
Saturday 19th November	Christmas Fayre	11.00—3.00pm
Tuesday 22nd November	Year 4 Swimming	
Tuesday 29th November	Year 4 Swimming	
Wednesday 30th November	Year 1 Road Safety Day	

Visit by Gold Medal winner

Sascha Kindred



We were very privileged to have a visit from the Paralympic swimmer, Sascha Kindred OBE.

Sascha came to our assembly and told us all about his adventures in swimming. In his career so far he has won 62 major championship medals, 10 world records and swum at 6 Paralympic Games.

We loved watching his race in the Rio Paralympic Games when he not only won a gold medal but broke a world record too...there was a lot of cheering in the hall!

Sascha reminded us about the importance of hard work, determination and a positive attitude if you want to achieve your goals.

City Tournament at Hereford Cathedral School

Friday 14th October

Year 6 Boys Football Team travelled to Hereford Cathedral School on Friday 14th October to compete in the City Tournament. The boys qualified second in their group, beating off opposition from St Pauls, St James, and Marlbrook School. In the quarter finals they beat Much Birch, in the semi-final they beat Lord Scudamore and in the final they beat Riverside with a headed goal from Tommy (6L). This is the second time in 3 years that Leominster have qualified for the Regional Tournament in Nottingham which will be played in March 2017. Congratulations to all the boys that were involved, a fantastic achievement!

The School garden has now been in existence for over a year and I think we have established enough features as a basis for further development and experimentation. Feedback generally has been favourable and most welcome. For those involved in the garden the hope is that it has added something to the School and has provided a stimulus in interest, particularly for the children. As a result of their involvement in the Gardening Club some of them may choose to follow a career in Horticulture. Our informal links with Berrington Hall offer opportunities for learning still more. The only limit is the extent of our ambition. Finally, but certainly not least, are the sterling fund-raising efforts of Mrs Jill Hurst. Much of what we have achieved would not have been possible without her. And, of course, our thanks to the Headmaster for consenting to the garden in the first place. (Mr J Braithwaite—Volunteer Gardener)



Messy Church at Leominster Priory will be on Thursday 17th November from 4-6pm or come straight from school. Messy Church includes creativity, storytelling, crafts, prayer activities and fun. We finish with a hot meal for everyone. Messy Church is free - cake and donations are always appreciated. Children must bring an adult with them. New people are very welcome. Phone Kathy Bland 01568 610785 for more information.

Riding Lessons

Every other Wednesday I go riding at North Farm Riding School in Ludlow. Firstly, we have to make sure we have our riding helmets are on for safety and then we mount the horse. The horses I ride are called Highcliffe and Jim Lad, Jim Lad is my favourite. Sometimes we ride around Mortimer Forest and on other occasions we ride in the arena. Peter is in charge of the riding school and he shouts out instructions. We have to use our feet and hands to control the horse. Afterwards we put our horse into stable where we un-tack the horse and the horse can have a nice rest.

Chanel 6L

In-Steps Dance at the Earl Mortimer Drama Studio

Every week I attend the In-Steps Dance club at Earl Mortimer. You can choose between Modern, Tap, Ballet, Jazz and Street Dance. I do Tap, Modern and Ballet. We have Christmas Discos for the dancers and we do a yearly performance, this year we are performing at the Regal Theatre in Tenbury and the theme for this year is Disney. If you want you can take an exam in Dance and that is how you move up a grade. I would recommend dance club as it's great fun, you have to work hard but we also have lots of fun activities and you get to mix with both younger and older people.

Freya 6L

Pet's Corner

My pet is a Leopard Gecko. Her name is Paige and she is 1 year and 4 months old. Paige is a nocturnal animal but if you take her out of her enclosure in the day she will play with you. She is about the size of my hand. Paige's diet consists of locusts and mealworms and she is fed the locusts morning and night and the mealworms are left in a pot for her to munch on during the day! She has to have sand in her cage as her natural habitat would be a desert environment. Paige can live for up to 20 years of age, they are the longest living Gecko in the world. By the age of 15, Paige will have a bright orange tail, they are also known as Carrot Tailed Geckos and they are the most expensive breed of Gecko. I really wanted a Gecko as a pet and I saved up all my birthday money and chore money for about a year. When I went to the pet shop the man kindly gave me a 50% discount so I could afford her. I love her to bits! Ethan 6S

Bonfire Cupcake Bake-Off

Have fun making these delicious Bonfire Cupcakes on 5th November. They are delicious! Don't forget to ask an adult to help you. You will need the following ingredients:-

For the cupcakes

- 150g unsalted butter, softened
- 150g caster sugar
- 175g self-raising flour
- 1tsp baking powder
- 25g cocoa powder
- 3 large eggs
- 1 tbsp. milk
- Grated zest from one orange



For the buttercream:

- 110g unsalted butter, softened
- 440g icing sugar
- 2 tbsp. freshly squeezed orange juice
- Red and orange food colouring

You will also need:

- 1 box of chocolate orange Matchmakers

1. Preheat oven to 180 C/350 F/Gas Mark 4. Place 12 muffin sized paper cases in you muffin tin.
2. All the cupcake ingredients go into one mixing bowl, then give them a good mix.
3. Spoon this mixture into your muffin cases, fill each case half full.
4. Get your oven gloves and carefully put your muffin tin into the pre-heated oven, leave to cook for approximately 20–25 minutes. While the cakes are cooking make the buttercream.
5. Place the softened butter into a bowl and whisk it.
6. Carefully weigh the icing sugar into another bowl and then sift the icing sugar into the butter (about 2 tbsps.) Whisk the icing sugar into the butter, carry on adding the icing sugar in stages and whisk after each addition.
7. Once all the icing sugar has been added to the butter, slowly pour in the orange juice to bring the buttercream together. Leave it to one side.
8. Remove the cupcakes from the oven and leave them to cool on a wire rack.
9. Now for the buttercream piping! Add the buttercream to your piping bag and add the food colouring, you can alternate with one red and one orange. Pipe this onto your cupcakes.
10. Carefully break your matchmakers in half and place around the flame.
11. Then enjoy bonfire night whilst you tuck into your delicious cupcakes!