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Term 2 2025- Week 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very exciting week with the wonderful Wiggly Nativity performed by the infants. They have been practising hard for it and it was so lovely to see it all come together on Wednesday.

We also had a very special evening, last night when our year 5 and 6 children performed on the stage at Glyndebourne for 'One Voice'. It was magical and such an honour for them to sing alongside professional opera singers on the same stage. They sang their hearts out and were an absolute credit to our school.

There are still lots more Christmas events ahead and whilst we know that it is not always easy for some children to be out of the normal routine, we hope they know that we can make adaptions in finding a quiet space with some wellbeing activities to help them.

We look forward to seeing all of you who are able to come to our Christmas concert and Bonanza this afternoon.

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to **High Peaks** who achieved the highest attendance last week and to **High Peaks** for having the highest attendance of **96.7%** this week. Well done.

Our target for this year is **96.5%** and our current whole school attendance is **97%**. Well done everyone!

REWARDS

Congratulations to the following children who have received their next Pupil Point certificates.

100 Points	Underwater: Ettie, Flora, Rowan, Viv, Alfred, Eron, Jude, Lila, Nyla, Ruby, Ryder, Theo
	High Peaks: Elga
600 Points	Jungle: Jemima
700 Points	Bugs: Abbie
800 Points	Bugs: Alba
900 Points:	High Peaks: Grace, Emily
1100 Points	Jungle: Harrison
1200 Points	High Peaks: Samuel
1300 Points	Jungle: Florence, Dolly
1600 Points	Jungle: Rafe
1800 Points	Jungle: Mason

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Please see attached our Club letter informing you of what we will have on offer next term. If you would like to make a booking please book directly with the providers, and let us know in the office who will be collecting your child. The sign up for Breakfast Clubs and Stage Making will open on Arbor to Parents from 1pm today.



<u>Diary</u>	
December 2025	
Mon 15 th	Panto in school
Mon 15 th	Christmas Shop
Tues 16 th	Christmas Shop
Weds 17 th	Christmas Dinner
Thurs 18 th	Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 19 th	Working with others at Christmas 2p.m carol service in church
January 2026	
Tues 6 th	Children return to school
Thurs 8 th	New to EYFS 2026 Open session
Fri 9 th	Yr 4 swimming lesson
Fri 16 th	Yr 4 swimming lesson
Fri 23 rd	Yr 4 swimming lesson
Fri 30 th	Yr 4 swimming lesson
INSET days 2025/26	
Mon 5th Jan	
Mon 22nd June / Weds 22nd July	

THE ONE VOICE FESTIVAL

The children in Jungle class performed in the One Voice Performance at Glyndebourne yesterday and were amazing. It was a fantastic opportunity to perform on stage in such a wonderful setting. We are very proud of them all. We would like to thank the Village Music Festival for funding extra singing lessons in the weeks before the performance.

Bonnie said 'It was nice to sing with other people.' Jemima said 'It was fun being part of a big choir'. Ivy said 'It was great to sing with professional singers. Florence said 'It was lovely to perform in front of our families'.



YEAR 4 SWIMMING

A letter will go home next week for Year 4 children who start their swimming lessons in January.

Children need to be able to swim 25m before leaving Primary school and those that can, will be given further challenges through life saving skills and speed of stroke etc so it is a fantastic opportunity. The year 4 children from Firle will also be attending. Please remember to give permission and make payment via your Arbor parent portal by **19th December**.

EYFS AND KSI NATIVITY

Congratulations to Underwater and Bugs class who performed brilliantly in their Nativity, 'A Wriggly Nativity', this week. They have worked so hard to learn their lines and spoke beautifully to the audience. Everybody did a fabulous job and should be very proud of themselves.

Thank you to everyone who helped with costumes, the children all looked amazing. Also, a big thank you to the Friends of Laughton for providing refreshments and selling raffle tickets for our Christmas concert this week.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

A reminder that we have our school Christmas dinner on **Wednesday 17th December**. Please make your payment (KS2 only) on ParentPay, Children in Ks1 are free. Please could you also let us know if your child is having a packed lunch from home so that we don't have to chase replies. Thank you.



CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Christmas Jumper Day will be on **Wednesday 17th December** as it will fit in with our Christmas dinner day. We will be raising money for Chailey Heritage and Children are asked to bring in £1 donation towards the charity if they can.

LAUGHTON COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE

We now have a Facebook page. Please comment, follow and share with your friends. Thank you.

PARENTING SUPPORT GUIDE

Please find attached the new Parenting Support Guide for Jan – Mar 2026

SCHOOL PANTOMIME

On **Monday 15th December**, the children will have the opportunity to enjoy a pantomime by the Performing Arts students from East Sussex College with their 2025 touring pantomime, 'Snow White'.

SCHOOL UNIFORM DISCOUNT CODE

The My Clothing Team are offering a 10% discount on School uniform for the rest of 2025.

Please either visit myclothing.com/discount/10MYC2025 or use the below code at checkout

Code: 10MYC2025

Valid until: 31.12.2025

CHRISTMAS TREE

A huge thank you to Staverton Nursery who very kindly donated a Christmas tree to Laughton School. The School Council, old and new enjoyed decorating it.



CHRISTMAS CONCERT

We will be hosting a Christmas concert later today where the children will share with you songs and music that they have been learning in class and whole school assemblies. It starts at **2pm** with **doors opening at 1:45p.m** to get a table and refreshments.

There will also be an opportunity for some of our children who learn instruments, to play for you.

After the concert, you will be invited into class to see what your child has been learning this term whilst the Friends of Laughton will set up the hall for their Christmas Bonanza which you are all welcome to attend.

VISIT FROM JAMES MACCLEARY MP

James MacCleary, our local MP, came to visit the school last week. He met with Mrs West and answered some questions from the School Council members. Eron said 'Mr MacCleary's favourite colour was blue'. Florence said 'Mr MacCleary tries not to work on Sundays'. Florrie said 'Mr MacCleary's favourite numbers are 6 and 9'. Bea said 'Mr MacCleary is trying to change different schools around the country for the better.'



PARENT PAY

Please can you make sure that your Parent Pay accounts are clear by the end of term. Chartwells are unable to run on a credit basis, and this needs to be cleared weekly. If you have an outstanding balance then you will need to bring in a packed lunch for your child until the account is back in credit. Thank you.

PROPOSAL FOR A VILLAGE SPORTS FACILITY

Laughton Parish Council would like to hear from you regarding the proposal for a Village sports facility on Pelham Field. This facility could also be used by the school for some curriculum lessons as well as being hired out at other times for sports and clubs. The school are being consulted on it and we hope it will be a great asset for sport as well as also improving security by having a second gate entrance at the opening to the field, putting a boundary between access to the multi-sport court and Pelham field.

Please offer your support to this project by emailing clerk@laughton-parish-council.co.uk

Please quote planning reference WD/2025/1980 on any letters of support.

OPEN SESSIONS

Our final Open Session for parents and carers with children due to start school in September 2026 is on **Thursday 8th January 2026 at 9.15am and 13.30pm**. So that we can monitor numbers, please can you book with the school office on 01323 811306 or email laughtonoffice@oaktreefederation.co.uk where you will also need to confirm who will be attending with you. The session will last a maximum of 45 minutes, and you will have the opportunity to meet with the Executive Headteacher, Rachel West.

Please spread the word if you know anyone who has a child due to start school next year. The ESCC closing date for applications is **15th January 2026**.

FRIENDS OF LAUGHTON NEWS

The Christmas Shop will take place on **Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th December** and provides an opportunity for the children to independently purchase presents for their friends and family. They choose from a number of items which are gift wrapped for them to take home. We would be grateful for any donations to be bought into the school office. Thank you.

Thank you for all your continued support.

Kind regards

Mrs Rachel West and Mrs Jeannette Fuller