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Our Value this term

We are looking at the value of **generosity** this term in collective worship. The children are gaining an improved understanding of what this looks like, how to give and receive this.

Children Thriving in After School Activities!

We're delighted to share that the children have been thoroughly enjoying the exciting activities planned by our dedicated after-school care leads. From engaging crafts to interactive games, it's heartwarming to see them dive into these activities with so much enthusiasm.

One of the most rewarding moments has been watching the children take an active role in helping to prepare their own dinners. Whether it's peeling potatoes, chopping carrots, or setting the table, they're embracing the experience with eager hands and smiles. This hands-on approach not only builds valuable life skills but also boosts their confidence in the kitchen!

It's equally wonderful to see the children making the most of their time outside, playing together on the playground equipment. We love witnessing the friendships that are blossoming in these shared moments of fun.

Take a look at our photo snapshot:



Forest School

The Class 2 children have been having an amazing time in Forest School over the last few weeks. Look at their great clay work. Thank you to Becky our Forest School lead for all the effort she puts in to make the children's time extra special. The happy faces speak volumes!

Please remember as the weather gets colder to send them with that extra warm and waterproof clothing.



Join the PTA and Make a Difference!

We are actively encouraging parents, especially those new to the school community, to consider joining the PTA. Becoming a part of the PTA offers a fantastic opportunity to get involved in school life, make a difference, and contribute to the success of various school events.

We are currently planning our **Fireworks Extravaganza**, and we would love to have your help to make it a memorable event for the children and families. Additionally, all funds raised go directly toward supporting our school in providing better facilities and experiences for the students. Your involvement can make a big impact, so please consider joining us!

Our first meeting, our annual AGM will take place **Tuesday 1st October** at **3.15pm** at school.

Labelling Your Child's Belongings

A gentle reminder to all parents to **please label your child's belongings**. As you can imagine, with so many children, it's easy for items like coats, lunchboxes, and water bottles to get misplaced. Clearly labelled items will help us return them to the rightful owner quickly. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping things organised!

Upcoming Open Days – Save the Dates!

We're excited to announce that we will be holding two open days for prospective parents and families:

- **Tuesday, 1st October**
- **Monday, 14th October**



These open days provide a fantastic opportunity to tour the school, meet the teachers, and learn more about what makes our school special. If you know any families considering our school, please invite them along! We look forward to meeting new faces and welcoming them to our wonderful school community.

School Photo Day – 25th November

Mark your calendars! **School Photo Day** will take place on **Monday, 25th November**. This is a great opportunity to capture those special memories of your child during the school year. We kindly ask that all children come dressed in their full school uniform, looking their best! There will also be an opportunity for having photographs with other non-school members of your family.

Local Advisor Vacancy

We have a Local Advisory Board made up of eight local advisors rather than a governing board now that we are a school in the Primary Quest Academy.

The board is made up of:

1 x Headteacher	Laura Hankins /Leonie Mison
1 x Staff Member	Robyn Oakes
4 x Foundation Members (through Church Diocese)	Rev Caroline Dunnett
	Julia Bracewell
	Sue Thornley
	Mel Orgee
2 x Parent Members	Ian Roberts
	Vacancy

We also have a very valued previous local authority governor (Derek Partridge) who will remain an Associate Member.

If you are interested in being part of the strategic lead of your child's education, please contact Elaine Thompson in the school office for more details.

Keep Your Contact Information Updated

A quick reminder for parents to please ensure the school office has your **up-to-date email address and contact details**. It's important that we can reach you easily in case of emergencies or important updates regarding your child. If you've had any recent changes, please inform the office as soon as possible. Thank you!

Harvest Service at St. Mary's Church – 4th October

We warmly invite all parents to join us for our **Harvest Service** at **St. Mary's Church** on **Friday, 4th October**, starting at **2:30 PM**. This is a special time for the school to come together and give thanks. Please note, the school bus will run as usual after the service, so there will be no change to transport



arrangements. If you would like to give a donation (going to Ledbury food bank), we are asking for each child to bring **one** can, tin or packet of something this year (e.g. cereal, rice, tomato soup).

A Fond Farewell to Reverend Kat

We are both excited and a little sad to announce that our wonderful **Reverend Kat** will be moving on to a new chapter, taking up a role at a new church. While we'll greatly miss her warmth, sense of fun, and the special way she's connected with our school community, we're thrilled for her as she embarks her next chapter.

Reverend Kat has made a lasting impact on the children, staff, and parents with her positivity and kindness. We know she'll continue to brighten hearts and spread joy in her new role, just as she has done here. We wish her the very best and look forward to hearing about all the amazing things she will do next!

Parking

Please continue to be considerate about parking and driving in the lane, avoiding the triangle with the war memorial. We appreciate that it can get busy at those peak times.

Young Voices (For families of children attending choir)

Please would all parents of children attending Young Voices from the choir club sign up to Music Room by this Friday and order tickets and T-shirts please. Please refer to your previous email from Rosie Marks.

Community Activities

Pantomime Auditions for 8yrs+ -

Would you like to be involved in this Ledbury Pantomime?

Open auditions
22nd September 2024



LADS annual pantomime
Beauty and the Beast
Written by Alex Jackson
Directed by Hettie Guldling

You are cordially invited to the land of Petit Derrière for this year's LADS pantomime of Beauty and the Beast!



Swipe for more details

PERFORMANCE DATES AND TIMES:

Thursday to Saturday 16th - 18th and 23rd - 25th January at 7.30pm.

Matinées Saturdays 18th & 25th and Sundays 19th & 26th January 2.30pm.

There will be no evening performances on Sundays 19th & 26th January.

AUDITION TIMES AND INFORMATION:

1pm: Children's auditions (ages 8-17) dance, acting & singing

3pm: Adult Roles - Singing auditions (16+)

4pm: Adult Roles - Acting auditions (16+)

Good luck

PRODUCTION TEAM:
DIRECTOR: Hettie Guldling
PRODUCERS: Katisha Harris & James Hyland
CHOREOGRAPHER: Elle Smart
MUSICAL DIRECTOR: Chris Corcoran
VOCAL COACH: Katisha Harris

Can't attend?

If you cannot attend auditions but would like to be considered for a part, or if you'd like to know more about the production, please contact:

Hettie at hettie@themarketheatre.com
or
Katisha at katishaharris1997@gmail.com



Or Choir?

Sing together!

Do you love the uplifting feeling you get from singing with other people?

Why not try St. Michael's Church Choir in Ledbury?

We are aged 6 to 82 and sing everything from traditional hymns and carols to contemporary worship songs. The choir is open to those with no experience (but a willingness to learn) as well as experienced part singers.

We meet and sing for two Sunday services a month with the opportunity to take part in extra events such as Remembrance Sunday, Carol Services, Easter performances, occasional weddings and funerals or even full Choral Evensong.

This is a lovely way to meet new people, make new friends and be part of a community. Families can sing together, and we have Sunday School helpers to teach children for part of each service.

Contact Kate Cheetham on cheethamkj@gmail.com or call 01531 641829



Dates for the Diary

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Notes</u>
01.10.24	Open Morning for Prospective Parents 9.30am	
04.10.24	Harvest Festival at St Mary's Church 2.30pm	
14.10.24	Open Morning for Prospective Parents 9.30am	
24.10.24	Last day of term	collect children at normal time.
25.10.24	Staff Inset Day (Staff only in school)	
04.11.24	Start of new term	
09.11.24	Bromesberrow St Mary's PTA Firework Display	Details to follow
15.11.24	Children in Need Day	Details to follow
18.11.24	Parent consultation afternoon/evening	Details to follow
22.11.24	Primary Quest Film Event Yr 1/2	Details to follow
25.11.24	School Photographer	Details to follow
25.11.24	Last week of afterschool clubs	
26.11.24	Primary Quest Film Event – Yr 5/6	
17.12.24	Choir visit Dymock Residential Home	Details to follow
20.12.24	Christmas Service at St Mary's Church	1.30pm
20.12.24	Break up for holidays – Pick up from church at 2pm	

