

Parentmail Friday 4th October

Dear Parents/Carers,

A HUGE THANK YOU to our Lakeside families for your generous donations for the Food Bank at Emmanuel Baptist Church! As you will see from the photos on the school website, you have donated more than ever – a wonderful collection of food, toiletries and treats for the Food Bank. The School Council packed up, delivered and sorted the donations yesterday.

The PTA held a Teddy Bears' Picnic for Reception and Nursery children and families last Friday – a lovely event for which the sun came out. Staff from Rhydypenau Library came along and told stories and children and teddies all had a wonderful time. Thanks to all who joined us, and to the PTA for organising. Photos can be found on the school website – click on Home and the photos tab will appear.

St John Ambulance delivered Child and Infant First Aid Awareness sessions for parents/carers on Monday. They also trained Year 6 pupils in defibrillator use and carrying out chest compressions. Many thanks to them for these important sessions.

Finally, thank you to all parents/carers who attended our year group curriculum meetings, which are now complete. It was wonderful to welcome you to school to share what your children will be doing across the year. The PowerPoint presentations from the meetings have now been uploaded to the relevant year group pages on the school website.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the PTA Cake and Uniform Sale after school today.

Clothes for younger children

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 would love to receive any preloved underwear items (boys and girls), tights, joggers and socks please. With the weather getting colder and more rainy, the chance of children getting wet at break times is increased and sometimes a complete change of clothing is needed. Thank you in advance, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

Flu immunisations – Monday 7th October

A reminder that these are taking place on Monday. Parents/carers will have received the relevant forms to complete prior to the immunisations. If you missed this opportunity, the health service will offer catch-up clinics over the next few weeks.

Wear Yellow for Mental Health Day – Friday 11th October

Next Friday – 11th October – we will be marking Mental Health Day by wearing yellow, bright colours, or Bronwen's Wish T-shirts, and raising money for Bronwen's Wish, the mental health charity very close to our hearts here at Lakeside and who brought us our amazing Ty Bronwen Wellbeing Pod. There will be music and collecting on the gate as usual – get your dancing shoes out!

PTA Christmas Cards

Christmas Card order forms should have come home with your child(ren) this week. **Orders for Christmas cards must be placed by midday next Friday – 11th October.** The PTA will be unable to accept orders after this date. Thank you in advance!

PTA events

- **PTA Spooks & Sparkles Discos** - Wednesday 23rd October:
Nursery to Year 2 Disco 5pm - 5.45pm;
Years 3 to 6 Disco 6pm - 7pm
Tickets will go on sale on Parentpay on Wednesday 9th October for £3.50 each
- Wednesday 16th October - Preloved Halloween Costume Sale – please bring **clean** donations into school by Friday 11th October – thank you
- Friday 29th November - PTA Christmas Fair
- Sunday 8th December - PTA Fancy Dress Festive Family Fun Run around Roath Park Lake

Thank you,
PTA

Lost Property

We have added photos of the latest non-uniform lost property to the website. Please have a look and if you recognise anything please let us know, either by emailing LakesidePrimary@cardiff.gov.uk or send a note in with your child to give to their teacher, and we will get it back to you. Thank you.

Wishing you all a pleasant weekend.

Best wishes,
Rachel Mitchell

Upcoming events / Term dates

October 2024

- Monday 7th October – Flu immunisations
- Friday 11th October - Wear Yellow for Mental Health Day
- Tuesday 15th October – Year 6 visit to Cardiff Castle
- Friday 18th October – Shwmae Day – wear red to school
- Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd October – Parent/Carer consultations for pupils in Reception to Year 6
- Wednesday 23rd October – Spooks & Sparkles Disco 5pm for Nursery to Year 2 pupils; 6pm for Y3-6 pupils.

November 2024

- Monday 4th November – Lakeside Diwali celebrations
- Monday 4th November – PTA meeting - evening
- Monday 11th to Friday 15th November – Anti-bullying Week
- Monday 11th November – Year 6 Remembrance Assembly for Parents/Carers
- Tuesday 12th November – Odd Socks Day
- Friday 15th November – Children in Need – wear spots to school
- Friday 29th November – PTA Christmas Fair
- Saturday 30th November – end of ASDA Cashpots for Schools scheme

December 2024

- Sunday 8th December – PTA Fancy Dress Festive Family Fun Run around Roath Park Lake
- Friday 13th December – Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children

January 2025

February 2025

March 2025

- Thursday 6th March – World Book Day

Term dates

2024-2025 Academic year

Autumn Term 2024

Break up for Autumn Half Term break	Friday 25 th October		
HALF TERM BREAK	Monday 28 th October	Friday 1 st November	
Back to school	Monday 4 th November		
Break up for Christmas break	Friday 20 th December		
CHRISTMAS BREAK	Monday 23 rd December	Friday 3 rd January 2025	

Spring Term 2025

Back to school	Monday 6 th January		
Break up for Spring Half Term break	Friday 21 st February		
HALF TERM BREAK	Monday 24 th February	Friday 28 th February	
Back to school	Monday 3 rd March		
Break up for Easter break	Friday 11 th April		
EASTER BREAK	Monday 14 th April	Friday 25 th April	

Summer Term 2025

Back to school	Monday 28 th April		
BANK HOLIDAY	Monday 5 th May		
Break up for Half Term break	Friday 23 rd May		
HALF TERM BREAK	Monday 26 th May	Friday 30 th May	
Back to school	Monday 2 nd June		
Break up for Summer	Friday 18 th July		
INSET DAY	Monday 21 st July		