Imperial Avenue Infant School

Working Together to Achieve Success

Newsletter — November 2026

We hope you all had an enjoyable half-term break. The children have returned to school with lots of positivity and enthusiasm, and we have enjoyed a fantastic first week back!
We would like to thank all the parents and carers who attended our recent parents' evening. It was lovely to see so many of you engaging with the school and discussing your children's progress and development. Your continued involvement and support make such a difference.
Following parents' evening, we were particularly pleased to see the level of engagement with our school nurse. As a result, we are working closely with the school nursing team to organise three workshops for parents, focusing on toileting, anxiety and sleep. These sessions will provide an opportunity to access advice, guidance and support to help you and your children. Dates and further details will be shared with you as soon as they are confirmed.
We have lots of exciting things planned in the lead-up to Christmas and are looking forward to sharing these special experiences with you and your children over the coming weeks. We will keep you updated with all the exciting things happening in school.
Our reading diary has now moved to an app called PageTicker. We would like all children to read at home at least three times a week, and we ask that each reading session is recorded on PageTicker.
Reading regularly at home is a vital part of developing children's confidence, fluency and enjoyment of reading. Your support in establishing this routine and recording reading sessions on the app is greatly appreciated.
Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for working in partnership with us.
We look forward to a busy, exciting and successful half term together!

Mr Leigh Fox

Coffee, Chat & SEND Support

Thursday 26th November 2026—8.45am –10.00am in the school Library.

If you have any concerns about your Child's learning, development or SEND support drop in for an informal chat with our SENDCo.

All parents and carers welcome. No appointment needed. Please enter the school library via the car park.

A HUGE thank you

We raised £134.35
for the non uniform day. Thank you for your support and generosity.



Anti Bullying week

Children will be learning all about anti bullying in the week beginning 16th November 2026. The week theme for this year is "Break the Silence".

We will be kicking off the week on the Monday with an Odd Socks Day to start our conversations about difference and how this is good.

Please ask your child about what they have been learning so as to support your child in understanding the differences between bullying and general falling out with friends.

We take bullying extremely seriously in school. We also expect parents to speak to teachers about this subject and not take things into their own hands as this can cause issues on the playground and should be dealt with in line with all school policies.

B-Inspired Parent Presentations

B-inspired are a local neighbourhood charity, who work with the community to support local people, providing practical help to improve lives.

They deliver a range of services, including a Food Hub, wellbeing programme, and one-to-one support with access to food, benefits and debt advice, employability services, health and wellbeing along with many other services. Please see attached flyers.
B-inspired are coming to Imperial to hold a Parent Presentation where you can find out more about the services they can offer you and your family.

You are invited to join us in the Dining Hall on the following dates:

Friday 6th November – 9.00am to 10.00am - Introduction, discussing services available, community engagement
Friday 13th November – 9.00am to 10.00am - Discussing food bank/share
Friday 20th November – 9.00am to 10.00am - Discussing welfare, help with PIP claims, universal credit etc
Friday 27th November – 9am to 10am - General overview, recap on previous weeks, answer any further questions you may have
Mr Fox and Mrs Woolman will be attending, and we really hope you can join us too.
Tea and coffee will be available.

Healthy Together

SCHOOL NURSE—Parent Workshop – Toileting
Do you have concerns about your child's continence such as daytime and night time wetting or constipation and soiling, if so, then come along to our Healthy Bowel, Healthy Bladder parent information session, being held by the school nursing team on:

Wednesday 18th November 2026 at 9.00am in the Dining Hall.
Lots of informative tips and advice in an informal setting.
The school nursing team are here to help and offer support.
We look forward to you joining us.
Should you want to find out more about how the school nursing team may be able to help, please see the link below.
Health for Kids | Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Wednesday 2nd December 2026

The Christmas Fair needs your help!

Our Christmas Fair is fast approaching and we need your help to make it a good one!

We are asking for support with some of the prizes and stalls and donations of wine, smellies etc will be accepted. Thank you all in advance.

Tombola/Bric-o-Brac

Please donate anything you feel is of good quality for the tombola. This can be old gifts you don't use, old ornaments you are looking to throw away.

Pamper Hamper

We are looking to set up a hamper with lots of things to use for a pamper session. These could include bubble bath, shower gel, face masks, nail polish etc. Please ensure bottles are new and unused.

Cake Stall

If you wish to donate some cakes or biscuits for this event please send them in by no later than Wednesday 2nd December. If you bring in home made cakes please include a list of ingredients due to allergens. Thank you.

Fill a Cup

These will be coming home with your child in the next few weeks. Please could you fill a cup with lovely things such as pens, pencils, bobbles, sweets etc. Please make sure sweets are individually wrapped and ensure food stuff is in date and does not contain nuts.

Return to school no later than Friday 27th November where we will be selling these on the cup store at the Fair. If you do not want to fill a cup please return the cup to school.

Christmas Raffle

We have lots of fantastic prizes up for grabs! Tickets will be on sale from 2nd November 2026 for £1.00 per ticket and will be available to purchase from the School Office.



Children in Need

Children in Need Day will be Friday 20th November 2026.
Come to school wearing fancy dress, spots or a children in need t-shirt for a donation of £1.00—this must be paid via ParentPay only.
You are fantastic at supporting these charity events and we hope to raise lots of money to support children in need. Please do not feel the need to go out and buy anything new, please wear any costume your child already may have.



Year 2 Applications to Junior School & First Time Admissions

Closing date for applications to Leicester City Council schools is the 15th January 2027.
If you live in Leicester City and want your child to go to a local Junior school you need to select the Junior School admissions box.
If you live in Leicester City and want your child to go to a local Primary school you need to select the In-year school admission box. However, you can only do this if you are prepared for your child to move to that school of your choice during Year 2.
Use the link below to take you directly to the Leicester City Council online admission page and select the appropriate box.

School admissions | Leicester City Council

If you live in Leicestershire then you need to apply directly through the Leicestershire County Council on the following link - **Apply for a school place | Leicestershire County Council** f you need any help with applying you can contact Leicester City Council school admissions directly by emailing them at Online@leicester.gov.uk or calling 0116 4541009 (option1) .

After School Clubs

Information regarding the After School Clubs for the Spring Term 2027 will be sent out at the beginning of December. The clubs will be advertised on Weduc in the Forms area and this is where you complete the permission slips.
All payments for after school clubs are now to be made via Parent Pay.
You will be contacted if you get a place on a club—keep your eyes peeled for clubs taking place.

School photos—individual and sibling

Wednesday 11th November 2026

Our school photographer, will be coming into school to take both Individual and sibling photos. If you wish younger/older brothers or sisters to have a sibling group photo please come to school at 8.30amthrough the main reception entrance. You will need to wait patiently outside the school hall.

Please note that prams/pushchairs will not be allowed inside the building.

Important dates for your Diary

Thursday 5th November - Bonfire Night Menu in school

Friday 6th November—9.00am-10.00am—Dining Hall—B-Inspired Parent Presentation

Wednesday 11th November —School photos—individual and sibling

Friday 13th November—9.00am-10.00am—Dining Hall—B-Inspired Parent Presentation

Monday 16th November - Odd Socks Day—come to school in your Odd Socks

Wednesday 18th November—Year 2 visit to Leicester Central Mosque

Wednesday 18th November— 9.00am—Dining Hall—School nurse parent workshop

Friday 20th November—9.00am-10.00am—Dining Hall—B-Inspired Parent Presentation

Friday 20th November - Children in Need £1.00 donation to charity**—**Come to school in your favourite fancy dress, spots or a children in need t-shirt. Donation via ParentPay only

Thursday 26th November—8.45am-10.00am— School Library—Coffee, Chat & SEND Support drop in

Friday 27th November—9.00am-10.00am—Dining Hall—B-Inspired Parent Presentation

Wednesday 2nd December - Christmas Fair - 3.20pm onwards. This will be held in the School Hall. Refreshments will be available in the Dining Hall.

Thursday 3rd December— Year 1 Christmas Craft - School Hall—parents invited — £2.00 per child— 9.00am—1FS class, 10.00am—1NW class and 11.00am—1SP class

Monday 7th December—Year 2 Christmas Craft School Hall—parents invited—£2.00 per child— 9.00am—2BG class, 10.00am—2FU class and 11.00am—2MM class

Wednesday 9th December - Christmas Dinner Day

Thursday 10th December —Reception Nativity Performances— School Hall—£1.50 per ticket max 2 per child — 9.30am—RAB class , 10.30am—RGG class and 1.30pm—RLP Class

Thursday 10th December - Christmas Jumper Day—£1.00 donation—Come to school wearing your Christmas Jumper

Monday 14th December—11.00am—Nursery Carol Singing—classroom— parents invited—£1.00 per ticket max two per child

Monday 14th December—2.00pm—Reception Christmas Craft—classrooms—parents invited—£2.00 per child

Tuesday 15th December—Christmas parties for Reception & KS1

Tuesday 15th December—Rocksteady concert—in School Hall for those parents of children who take part (you will receive a Weduc message)

Wednesday 16th December—2.45pm—Nursery Carol Singing—classroom—parents invited—£1.00 per ticket max 2 per child

Wednesday 16th December—2.45pm in classroom—SEND Unit & DSP Christmas Singalong -£2.00 per ticket max 2 per child

Wednesday 16th December—Holy apostles carol service—times tbc

Parents/Carers are welcome to attend but please let the children be seated first. Thank you.

Please note the Nursery Classes, The Explorers Class or The Discovery Class will not be attending.

Thursday 17th December - Non-uniform Day**—**£1.00 donation

PLESAE LOOK OUT ON WEDUC FOR DETAILS OF TICKET SALES FOR ABOVE EVENTS

LAST DAY OF TERM - THURSDAY 17TH DECEMBER 2026