Litcham School The Word

20th January 2023





We have been aware of an issue for some time now, when parent/carers are trying to add a new debit/credit card to their account the system won't accept it. We have found when topping up your child's meal account by £10.01 (ten pounds and one pence) it will accept the new card details. Hope this helps some of you having this issue.

For those still struggling we can take a manual payment over the phone with your new card.

Finance Department

Primary Phase



The Primary Phase thoroughly enjoyed their trip to the Pantomime at Kings Lynn Corn Exchange on Friday 9th December 2022 (Oh yes, they did!).

They joined in with the singing, dancing, and general merriment of the show. I would like to personally thank our Friends committee who donated a large chunk of money to pay for the event and supplied snacks and drinks during the interval and the coach company, Carters, for their wonderful service.

I'd also like to extend my thanks to ALL the staff from school who supported this event. It would not have run as smoothly as it did if I hadn't had their full support!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year.

I look forward to hopefully repeating the trip in December. Miss Stockwell.

Primary Phase



This week **Red Robins** have been learning all about the story of the Gingerbread Man. We started our week off with a visit to Litcham Shop to buy some ingredients.

We have then been practising re-telling the story of the Gingerbread Man with books, pictures and puppets this week, finishing off with cooking our own gingerbread men.

Well done Red Robins!

Thank you to all the kind customers and staff at Litcham Shop for allowing the children to explore the shop and buy their ingredients.







Secondary Phase Vacancy



Design Technology Technician

37 hours per week, term time + one week (39 weeks a year) - Job share considered Permanent position

Scale D - £18,396 (actual salary)

We are looking for an enthusiastic Design Technology Technician, who is extremely motivated and can work as part of a highly supportive team. It is desired that applicants should be competent in the use and maintenance of workshop and construction machinery eg, circular saw, and technology processes eg textile sublimation, laser cutting and CAD/CAM, but training will be given.

For more information visit: www.synergymat.org.uk/careers/

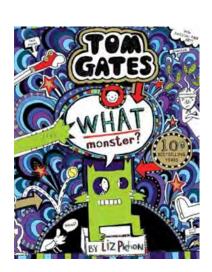
Library News



Tom Gates - What Monster? by Liz Pichon

If you want to laugh your socks off, try entering the world of Tom Gates. Tom is a boy who is always up to something peculiar, for example, trying to capture a sausage roll thief! In *What Monster*, strange things are happening in school and Tom and his friends are trying to investigate them, whilst trying to avoid Mrs Gravel, a very strict supply teacher. If you want to know more about Tom's slightly strange life, pop to the library and grab a copy today!

Recommended by Robyn 7B



Secondary Phase Trip News



Calling all beginner woodwind, brass, string or percussion players ...Mrs Bygrave will be running a Starter Band at West Norfolk Music Centre (located at Springwood High School, Kings Lynn, PE30 4AW) every Saturday morning between 11:30 and 12:10. We will be playing pieces by George Ezra, John Legend, James Bay_, Queen, also songs from Grease, Frozen and Charlie and the Chocolate Factoryetc. For more information contact West Norfolk Music Centre on westnorfolkmc@gmail.com, 07748 067355 or 01760 725092, website wnmc'org.uk.

Secondary Phase Trip News



Austria 2023 Litcham Ski trip

Thank you to all parents who attended the Ski Parent information evening. I hope you found it valuable and that I was able to answer any questions you had.

For any parents who weren't able to attend the meeting, the presentation can be accessed on the school web site.

A final letter confirming timings will be sent out nearer the time.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any other issues or queries on cforth@litchamschool.org.uk

Please can I remind you to return the medical form that was issued as a matter of urgency.

In addition to any other paperwork such as behaviour contracts and the final remaining passports and GHIC/ EHIC forms for copying.

Mrs Forth

Library News



Do you enjoy creative writing?

Then why not take part in this year's **Rotary Young Writer Competition.**

All you have to do is write a piece of fiction or non-fiction, story or poem up to a maximum of 550 words, based on the title 'Peace'.

The contest is open to all students between the ages of 7 and 17. Winners of the district competition will receive a £20 voucher and their pieces of work will be entered into the regional and then, hopefully the national round of the contest.

Litcham School have always done really well in this competition in the past and so it would be great to receive lots of entries this year.

Please email or hand in your pieces of work to Mr Palmer or Mrs Berry by Friday 10th February.



Accelerated Reader Book Wars



All Year 7 & 8 students have been given a new set of reading targets for the spring term.

This week's tutor group tally for the number of Accelerated Reader quizzes passed at 85% or above is:

Year 7

7B 23 7C 15 7S 30 7W 19

A special well done to: Jack B, Artem, Robyn, James C, Jack C, Lily C, Beth, Luisa, Katherine S, Tegan, Reece W, Brianna-Rose, Dylan, Eli, Faris, Georgia M, Oliver, Alexander, Martha W, Mossy, Eleanor, Janey, Quinn, Martha K, Gideon, Olivia R, Jamie, Emma W, Issy, Dorothy, Bella, Eve M, Harley, James M and Chloe, who achieved 100% in their quizzes over the last two weeks.

Year 8

8B 10 8C 16 8S 4 8W 0

A special well done to: Poppy A, Esme, Lily K, Lucy L, Lily P, Ava, Tegan, Isabelle, Ciara, Quinn, Alfie G and Lyra, who achieved 100% in their guizzes over the last two weeks.

Keep up the good work!

Careers News



Litcham school extends its thanks once again for our wonderful group of volunteers who came to our Year 9 Speed Networking day last week. There was an amazing variety of careers on offer; police officer, auctioneer, quantity surveyor, prison officer and lots more! It was a wonderful opportunity for our students to find out about future careers and opportunities. A special thanks to Litcham alumni, Kristian Crittenden and Craig Wood, for coming back to talk to the next generation!

"I would love to come back.

All the kids were great and super polite, they're a credit to the school."







Work Experience

If you have not yet handed in your Blue Work Experience form may we please ask you to do so asap. They may be handed to reception or posted in the post box outside room 13.

If you are having difficulty please see the tips below or seek advice from Mr Clark

Thank you



Here are just a few examples of some companies we have used in the past:

Norfolk Farm Produce Waitrose Norfolk Museums

Litcham Childcare ECS Computers Glenfair Electrical Solution

Mileham Village Shop Pets Paradise Bilney Hall Residential Home

Norse Group Local Primary Schools East of England NHS Trust

If you ask in person:

Make sure you look presentable, and that you are polite and interested

Ask to speak to the person in charge of organising work experience

Explain that you are at school in Year 10 and that you are interested in gaining some work experience in their company

Take your BLUE form – if they offer you a placement, ask them to fill this in whilst you wait

If you phone:

Ask to speak to the person in charge of organising work experience (leave a message if they are not there)

Explain that you are at school in Year 10 and that you are interested in gaining some work experience in their company

If the employer offers you some work experience, ask if there is a convenient time when you can pop in and get your BLUE form filled in

If you email:

Address your email to the work experience Manager

Explain that you are at school in Year 10 and that you are interested in gaining some work experience in their company

Tell them the dates of your work experience and that you would like to pop in and see them

Make sure you include your name and contact phone number

Make sure there are no spelling mistakes

LET'S GO RACING

FUN 6 FREE DAY AT THE RACES TO SCHOOL | CO Racing Together







Are you interested in finding out more about the horseracing industry and the different career options it offers?

We are delighted to be able to offer Pony Club members (and accompanying parents) a unique FREE day at the races, to go behind the scenes and gain an insight into the UK's largest sporting employer.



We are running events during the February half term holidays at:

TUESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY LINGFIELD PARK RACECOURSE WEDNESDAY 15TH FEBRUARY WETHERBY RACECOURSE

FRIDAY 17TH FEBRUARY **FAKENHAM RACECOURSE** MONDAY 20TH FEBRUARY CARLISLE RACECOURSE

Groups will be able to gain entry to the racecourse before gates are open to the public and take part in fun and informative activities in areas usually restricted from racegoers.

Spaces_are limited to 20 members with priority to senior Pony Club members, but we welcome junior members if space is available. Members must be accompanied throughout the visit by an adult, although if attending with friends we are happy to have one adult present per small group. We may be able to accommodate more than one adult, spaces permitting - please let us know if this is of interest.



For those young people hoping to combine their love of ponies with a future career the team will be able to advise on, and provide details of, the pathways into the wide range of career choices the Horseracing and Thoroughbred Breeding Industries have to offer.

And for any Members who think they may like to give racing a try, why not start off in the sport of Pony Racing...? Hollie Doyle, former Pony Racer and now leading Flat jockey and Racing to School



The Rony Club provided the perfect stappingstone to a career in racing for me and I loved being a member! These taster sessions are a brilliant opportunity for young people to try something new and get a feel for the opportunities available."



Fony Racing is an inclusive sport, open to any young riders aged 9-16. All types of ponies and riders of all abilities can lake part - you don't even have to own your own pony!Come join us and that out the different ways to get involved.

Book your place online:

https://forms.gle/LZVvPPd7CoAEmBTTA

Primary Phase Calendar Dates

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Janu	ary 2023	_		April 2	.023		
	Wednesday	4th	Spring term 2023 begins		Monday	17th	Sumer term 2023 begins
	Friday	6th	Celebration assembly—White Doves 3pm		Tuesday	18th	Swimming starts for White Doves
	Friday	13th	Celebration assembly—Red Robins 3pm		Thursday	20th	Y5-6 Netball (8 pupils) tbc
	Thursday	19th	KS1 PE Festival (10 pupils)		Friday	21st	Celebration assembly—Golden Eagles
	Friday	20th	Celebration assembly—Kingfishers 3pm				3pm
	Friday	27th	Celebration assembly—Oystercatchers 3pm		Friday	28th	Celebration assembly—Skylarks 3pm
Febr	uary 2023			May 2	023		
	Friday	3rd	Celebration Assembly—Golden Eagles	, _	Monday	1st	School closed—bank holiday
			3pm		Tuesday	2nd	NHS screening Height & Weight and
	Thursday	9th	Y3-6 Dodgeball Competition (10 pupils)		rucsuuy	2.1.0	Vision & Hearing YR
	Friday	10th	Celebration assembly—Tawny Owls 3pm		Friday	5th	School Class/Group Photos—AM
					,		Celebration assembly—Tawny Owls 3pm
			Please note change of date		Monday	8th	School Closed—Bank holiday
Half	term—Monday	13th to	Friday 17th February 2023		,		KS2 SATS week
					Friday	12th	Celebration assembly—White Doves 3pm
	Tuesday	21st	Swimming starts for Skylarks 3pm		Friday	19th	Celebration assembly—Red Robins 3pm
			Please note change of date		Thursday	25th	Y3/4 Quadkids Competition (8 pupils)
	Friday	24th	Celebration assembly—Skylarks 3pm		Friday	26th	Celebration assembly—Kingfishers 3pm
Mar	ch 2023			HAIFT	FRM—Mond	av 29th N	Лау to Friday 2nd June 2023
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	Friday	3rd	Celebration assembly—White Doves 3pm	June 2	023		
	Friday	10th	YR-6 Dance Show (25 pupils) tbc	Tuesday Friday		6th	Swimming starts for Tawny Owls
			Celebration assembly—Red Robins 3pm		9th	Celebration assembly—Oystercatchers	
	Wednesday	15th	Science Fayre for parents 3.15—		,		3pm
			5.00pm—details to follow		Monday 12t	h to Frida	y 16th—Y5 and 6 Residential—tbc
	Friday	17th	Celebration assembly—Kingfishers 3pm	Fric	Friday	16th	Celebration assembly— Golden Eagles
	Friday	24th	Celebration assembly—Oystercatchers		•		3pm
	- .	2011	3pm		Thursday	22nd	Y6 Transition Team Building Festival tbc
	Tuesday	28th	Easter Service @ Litcham Church PM		Friday	23rd	Celebration assembly—Skylarks 3pm
		20.1	(school only)		Thursday	29th	School Closed
	Wednesday	29th	Red Robins trip to Gressenhall Museum—tbc		Friday	30th	School Closed
	Thursday	30th	KS1 Cross Country (16 pupils)				
	Friday	31st	KS2 Cross Country (24 pupils)	July 20)23		
	,		Easter Bonnet parade/competition AM		Tuesday	4th	EYFS Tennis Multiskills Festival (tbc)
			School closes at 3.30pm for Easter		Friday	7th	Celebration assembly—Tawny Owls 3pm
					Thursday	12+h	KS2 Danathlan (10 nunils) the

No celebration assembly today

Thursday

Friday

13th KS2 Panathlon (10 pupils) tbc

21st School closes at 12.30pm



If you have a folding wheelchair gathering dust at home that you no longer need, we would be grateful to receive it at the Secondary Phase.

Secondary Phase Calendar Dates

January 2023

Tuesday 24th Ukrainian Pupil Trip
Friday 20th Year 9 UEA Trip
Wednesday 25th Year 11 RS Trip

February 2023

Friday 3rd Production rehearsal

Y8 George Freeman Talk

Wednesday 8th Year 9 CPSHE project
Thursday 9th Y11 Language Mock Oral

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HALF TERM 13th—17th inclusive

Monday 20th Y9 Vaccinations

3rd

Wednesday 22nd Year 10/11 Drama Trip

March 2023

Friday

4th **Production Dress Rehearsal** Saturday Monday 6th **Production Dress Rehearsal** Tuesday 7th **Production for Primary** Wednesday 8th **Y9** Careers Fair Trip **Production Evening Thursday** 9th Y10 Maths Feast **Production Evening Friday** 10th **Production Evening** Tuesday 14th Maths Pi Day Friday 17th Y11 Group photo Wednesday National Reading Champions Quiz Y7&8 22nd Friday 24th Year 7 Chocolate Day TBC

Production set up

April 2023

EASTER HOLIDAY

Monday 17th Students return to school

May 2023

Monday1stBank HolidayWednesday3rdYear 7 Ken Hill TripMonday8thExtra Bank HolidayFriday19thKS4

HALF TERM 29TH—2ND June inclusive

June 2023

Friday

Wednesday 7th Induction Evening Friday 23rd Year 10 Interview Day 25th Year 8&9 French Trip Sunday Thursday **Closed for Teacher Training** Friday 30th **Closed for Teacher Training July 2023** Friday 7th Pride Day Year 11 Prom TBC Tuesday 11th KS3 Holkham Trip Thursday KS3 Expert Learner Trip Monday 17th Y6 Transition Day Tuesday **Y6 Transition Day** Wednesday 19th Y6 Transition Day Sam's Run

21st LAST DAY OF TERM

Spring Term Menu

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3		
	2/1 23/1 6/3 27/3	9/1 30/1 20/2 13/3	16/1 6/2 27/2 20/3		
MONDAY	Meat free Monday	Meat free Monday	Meat free Monday		
			Vegetable mince cottage pie		
	Sundried tomato pesto pasta	Pasta with herb and roasted	Or		
	Or	vegetable sauce	Macaroni cheese		
	Jacket potato filled with	Or			
	vegetable curry	Quorn chilli and rice	Both with mixed vegetables		
	Both with peas	Peas			
			Pear and honey sponge and sponge and		
	Chocolate and vanilla marble	Vanilla sponge and custard	custard		
	sponge				
TUESDAY	Mince beef bolognaise	Pork meatballs with pasta and	Minced beef and onion pie		
	or	tomato sauce	Or		
	Quom bolognaise	Or	Vegetable and lentil cobbler		
	broccoli	Vegetable meatless balls with pasta	cauliflower		
		and tomato sauce	Baby potatoes		
	apple and blackberry crumble	Sweetcom	Chocolate sponge and chocolate sauce		
		ginger sponge and custard			
WEDNESDAY	Chicken, rice, pepper, and	Beef enchiladas	BBQ chicken and pasta bake		
	tomato one pot	Or	Or		
	Or	Ratatouille, lentil, and mozzarella	Vegetable hotpot		
	Roasted vegetable lasagne sweetcom	bake	Pea and corn mix		
			Fruity flapjack		
	chocolate chip sponge and	Mixed vegetables	,,		
	custard	Bakewell tart (nut free)			

THURSDAY	Toad in the hole	Roast chicken with stuffing	Pork with apple sauce	
	Roasted Quorn fillet	Or	or	
		Quorn toad in the hole	Quorn and mushroom carbonara	
		cabbage	Carrot and cabbage	
	Roast potatoes	Carrots	Roast potatoes	
	Carrots	Roast potatoes		
	Cabbage	Iced chocolate oatcake	Chocolate muffin	
	Chocolate crunch			
FRIDAY	Chicken burger	Breaded fish finger	Plant based Cumberland sausage hot	
	Or	Or	dog	
	Vegetable spring rolls with a	Mixed bean burger	Breaded chicken steak	
	chilli sauce	Carrot and cucumber	Mixed salad	
	Fries or baby potatoes	Fries or baby potatoes'	Fries or baby potatoes	
	Mixed salad	Raspberry ripple ice-cream roll	Chocolate and vanilla swirl mousse	
	Mango and orange frozen			
	smoothie			

	Sec	condary Phase		
Monday	Homework & Computers Club	All Seconday Phase	Room 4	12.35 - 1.25pm
	Friendship & Games Club	Year 7,8 & 9	Drama Hut	12.35 - 1.25pm
	Table Tennis	All Secondary Phase	Gym	12.45 - 1.20pm
	ICT	All Secondary Phase	Room 9	12.35 - 1.25pm
	Production Singing Rehearsal	All Secondary Phase	Music Room	12.35 - 1.00pm
Tuesday	Friendship & Games Club	Year 7,8 & 9	Drama Hut	12.35 - 1.25pm
	Table Tennis	All Secondary Phase	Gym	12.45 - 1.20pm
	Homework & Computer Club	All Secondary Phase	Room 4	12.35 - 1.25pm
	Pride of Litcham club	All Secondary Phase	Room27	12.45 - 1.25pm
	Basketball Club	Years 10 & 11	Gym	3.30 - 4.45pm
	Girls Football Club	All Secondary Phase	Gym	3.30 - 4.45pm
Wednesday	ICT	All Secondary Phase	Room 9	12.35 - 1.25pm
	Friendship & Games Club	Year 7,8 & 9	Drama Hut	12.35 - 1.25pm
	Reading Club (Week B)	Years 7, 8 and 9	Library	12.35 - 1.05pm
	Production rehearsal (acting)	Cast	Music room	12.55 - 1.20pm
	Lego Club	All Secondary Phase	Room 16	12.45 - 1.25
	Table Tennis	All Secondary Phase	Gym	12.45 - 1.20pm
	ECO Leaders Club	Years 7,8 & 9	Garden	12.45 - 1.25pm
	Wellbeing Week B	All Secondary Phase	Room 6	12.45 - 1.25pm
	Sports Club	All Secondary Phase	Gym	3.30 - 4.45pm
	Production rehearsal (acting) From	Cast	Hall	3.30 - 5.00pm
	Art Support	Year 11	Rm 23	3.30 - 4.45pm
Thursday	ICT	All Secondary Phase	Room 9	12.35 - 1.25pm
	Drama Club	Year 7,8 & 9	Drama Hut	12.40 - 1.25pm
	Production rehearsal (acting)	Cast	Music room	12.55 - 1.20pm
	Table Tennis	All Secondary Phase	Gym	12.45 - 1.20pm
	ECO Leaders Club	Years 7,8 & 9	Garden	12.45 - 1.25pm
	Jazz/Production Band	All Instruments	Music Room	12.55 - 1.25pm
	Homework & Computers Club	All Secondary Phase	Room 4	12.35 - 1.25pm
Friday	ICT	All Secondary Phase	Room 9	12.35 - 1.25pm
	Wind Band	Wind & Brass	Music Room	12.55 - 1.25pm
	Homework & Computer Club	All Secondary Phase	Room 4	12.35 - 1.25pm
	Friendship & Games Club	Year 7,8 & 9	Drama Hut	12.35 - 1.25pm
	Table Tennis	All Secondary Phase	Gym	12.45 - 1.20pm

Wellbeing



January Newsletter

Happy New Year everyone! I wanted to take the opportunity to introduce myself as the new engagement lead for Norfolk and Waveney! Kooth and Qwell are still available in your area and I am able to offer bespoke workshops, staff training, assemblies, sign up sessions and more. If you would like any more information or to book in a meeting then please contact me via csymeou@kooth.com

The website is open 24/7 so adults using Qwell and young people using Kooth are still able to read and contribute to the magazine, complete our therapeutic activities, talk to their peers and take part in our live forums.

Chat times detailed below:

Monday - Friday 12:00noon - 10:00pm. Saturday & Sunday - 6:00pm - 10:00pm.

Upcoming Webinars

Throughout 2023, we are running a variety of engaging national webinars aimed at showcasing how both Kooth.com & Qwell.io can support young people and adults in your area. Details on upcoming webinars are below:

January Webinars:

<u>January Blues & Finance: How Kooth & Owell Support Mental Health over Winter - Tuesday 24</u>

<u>January 10:00am - 11:00am</u>

January Blues & Finance: How Kooth Supports Mental Health over Winter - Thursday 26

January 10:00am - 11:00am

<u>How Kooth & Qwell Can Support Male Mental Health - Tuesday 31 January 10:00am - 11:00am</u> <u>How Kooth Can Support Young Male Mental Health - Tuesday 31 January 4:00pm - 5:00pm</u>



What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

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WHAT ARE THE RISKS? World of Warcraft originally launched way back in 2004, and since then the game has blossomed into a major entertainment property. It's spawned spin-off novels, merchandise and even a Hollywood movie adaptation — but why are we still talking about it in 2023? World of Warcraft's most recent iteration, Dragonflight, launched last November and marks the game's ninth major expansion. This latest addition has attracted a whole host of lapsed players back to the game — as well as newcomers jumping into the realm of Azeroth for the first time.

ALWAYS ONLINE

REGULAR EXPANSIONS

As is common with many MMORPGs, World of Warcraft's developers, Bilizzard, release regular expansions for the game (usually every 18 months to two years). So although there's still plenty of content for young players to experience right now, there will almost inevitably be a requirement to continue buying uture expansion packs, which tend to cost ground £50.

IN-GAME PURCHASES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

VOICE AND TEXT CHAT

SIMULATED VIOLENCE

POTENTIAL FOR



MANAGE PLAYTIME

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REMEMBER THE AGE RATING

ADVENTURE TOGETHER

Meet Our Expert





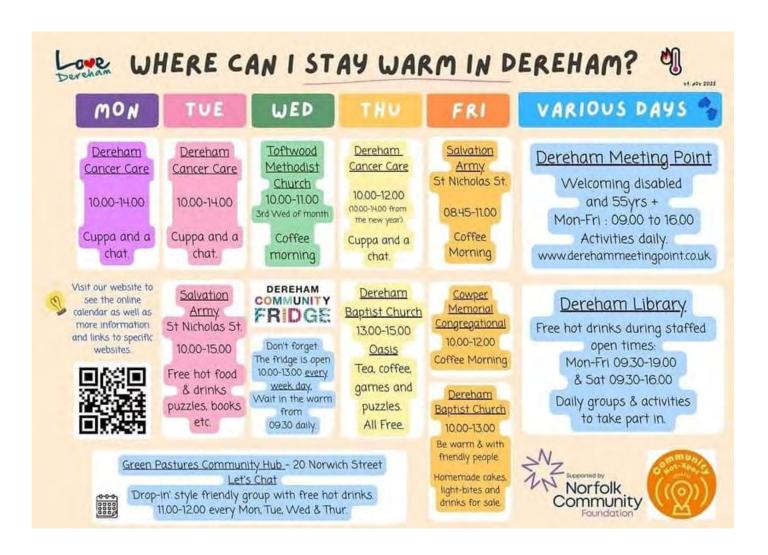


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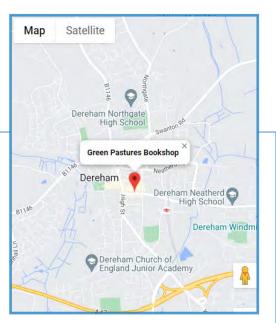






The fridge was set up to give businesses and individuals the opportunity to donate good quality food items that are past their 'best by' date, but within their 'use by' date, which would otherwise be thrown away. ANYONE is then able to visit the fridge and take something out that they can use.

The primary aims are to reduce food waste and to give people access to good quality free food.









Ages 2 - 11 years 8am till 4pm Mon 13th - 17th February

February holiday club



Board games Craft Wii Barbie activities Trains Hama beads play dolls Outside

Litcham Childcare provides a service tailored to meet your everyday work cycle. You can be assured that your children are left in a safe, secure, and stimulating environment with quality, trained staff.

Contact us

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litchamchildcare@gmail.com



Booking information

Full day 3 Years + 2 year old

> £30.00 £32.00

Per hour £4.75 £4.95 (Minimum 3 hour session required) Booking is essential. Sessions need to be booked and paid for in advance.

To book email litchamchildcare@gmail.com Limited spaces - Please check availability

