



Loudwater Combined School

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LOUDWATER NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

Important Calendar Dates

Monday 20th November Year Six Health Survey
Tuesday 21st November FOLS Curry Night at Mr India
Thursday 23rd November Values Assembly - Year 6
Friday 24th November Foundation Stage through to Year 4 Flu Immunisations

News from the classes this week:

Foundation Stage

In Foundation Stage, we have been reading the story "The Tiger Who Came to Tea" by Judith Kerr. We have been busy writing invitations to the tiger and have had to write shopping lists to replace all the food he ate. We have also used tigers to practice our addition and counting skills. We have used our role play area as a Police Station and some of the children made a Police Car for this. On Thursday we had an arty day. Our visitors Street Art Drop and the team showed us some great painting techniques and we all made a city-scape. We also watched them painting the mural next to the office. It was a brilliant day!

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk>

Play any of the Phase Two games

Year One

A very busy week in Year 1!

In English Year 1 has enjoyed the story 'Aaargh Spider!' by Lydia Monks. We looked at the use of exclamation marks in this story and changed our voices as we read it. We talked about the fact that this is a fiction book. Mrs Hall found us a real dead spider and we used this and video clips to find out more about real spiders. We then wrote some amazing information about spiders which we shared with Mrs Hall.

Our focus this week, in maths, has been on 2d shapes. We named them and sorted them according to their properties. We were also shape detectives and went on a 2d shape hunt around the school. We found lots! Our shape pictures were also very impressive!

On Monday Year 1 walked to the church for a visit. The Vicar gave us a tour of the church and told us lots of interesting information. We enjoyed finding out about the different ways that we celebrate our birthdays.

Our highlight this week was working with the Street Art Drop and team. We loved creating our own masterpieces and we were thrilled with the mural on the outside wall. A great big thank you to them for an amazing experience!

www.ictgames.com/dinosaursEggs/

Year Two

This week began with an exciting trip to Wycombe Museum! We looked at and played with old toys, sequenced toys on a chronological timeline and made some old toys of our own. The next day we wrote a recount of our trip to describe what we did and how we felt. After

that, an exciting parcel arrived in our classroom, it was a lost Teddy! So, we made posters and discovered the Teddy belonged to Mrs Singleton. In Topic, we looked at what old toys are made of and explained why these materials were useful. We also helped Grandad Colin from the museum to investigate which surface would help him to win the marble competition. We wrote a letter to Grandad to explain what we have found out. In Phonics, the children have been learning to read and write words which use the w special rule (after a w sound the o sound is spelled with an a e.g. wash and squash). In Maths, Year 2 has been learning to use greater and less than to write number sentences and compare values.
http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/science/properties_of_materials/play/

Year Three

This week in English, Year 3 has been creating detailed maps with labels in order to direct the dragon slayer through the dangerous desert. We have written alternative endings to the story, written character descriptions and ended the week with a 'Smart Write' In Maths, Year 3 has been developing their understanding that multiplication is commutative as well as writing multiplication and division sentences for arrays. We have solved multiplication sentences and questions involving money and have been working hard on the x3, x4 and x8 tables. In Topic this week, we created fantastic pictures with acrylic paint with our visiting artist. We have also labelled and looked at the different functions of a flower as well as investigating how they transport water.
http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/living_things/plants/read/1/

Year Four

In English we have finished reading 'The Spiderwick Chronicles'. We have done some in-character writing pretending to be Jared and writing to his Auntie to tell her about the spooky things that have been going on inside the Spiderwick house. We have also begun to look at how to write information reports on mythical creatures. In Maths we have learned the names of the different types of triangles. We have learned the properties of each of the triangles including the types of angles and length of sides that each triangle has. Later on in the week we completed some investigations based around the number of triangles that we found in different shapes. During topic we have begun to look at Rainforests and the different layers of a rainforest. We have described the animals that can be found in each layer of the rainforest and began to look at the effects of deforestation on these animals.
<https://www.activewild.com/what-is-deforestation-for-kids-information-and-facts/>

Year Five

It's been a busy week in Year Five! In English, we finished reading 'The Highwayman' and have written newspaper reports about the dramatic events at the end of the story. We used a painting called 'Homecoming', to explore setting descriptions and narrative writing. In maths, Year Five has been continuing to explore the written methods for multiplication and division, and have been applying these skills to solve problems. We have worked backwards through questions, using the inverse operation. In topic, Year Five absolutely loved working with Street Art Drop and team to create our own abstract art works and found our visit to the church on Tuesday afternoon interesting and informative. We have also been exploring how the Earth's orbit and tilt creates the seasons and have begun to investigate how countries in different parts of the world have different day lengths
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

Year Six

In English this week, we have finally met the aliens from the Planet Amanthea which has enabled us to write detailed descriptions of them. We have also written a report to Sir Matthew Floyd Weaver recommending which moon in our solar system would be a more

suitable place for them to colonise. From the information that we have been given, it has become apparent that Europa would provide a better habitat.

In Maths, we have been using the formula $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{base} \times \text{height}$ to calculate the area of triangles and the formula $\text{base} \times \text{height}$ to calculate the area of a parallelogram.

In Topic, we have been investigating the function of sensory and motor neurons. We have also been exploring our skeletal system, looking at our bones and joints.

On Monday, we walked to the Loudwater War Memorial to show our respect for Remembrance Sunday. We all thoroughly enjoyed our art workshop on Thursday and were amazed by the new art work on the outside wall.

kidshealth.org/en/kids/heart.html – The heart and circulatory system

Achievement Award Winners

	Foundation Stage	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
10.10.17	Kata	Maya	Munopa	Mason	Thomas	Ashley	Lilly
17.11.17	Callum	Stanley	Whole Class	Gio	Riley	Tyler	Maya

The following children have been recognised in achievement assembly for their good behaviour:

	Foundation Stage	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
10.10.17	Breagha Callum	Caitlin Jasmin	Logan S Liyana	Xandros Nate	Amelia Lily	Madison Jack	Natalia Muqet
17.11.17	Mia Joseph	Caitlin Jasmine	Lilly R-C Keira	Aundreah Joseph	Dominic Zion	Francesca Paris	Maddie George

Attendance

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
10.10.17	96%	97%	97%	99%	99%	100%	99%
17.11.17	99%	99%	98%	99%	100%	99%	97%

Punctuality

Number of children arriving after 9.00am

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
10.10.17	0	0	2	0	3	1	0
17.11.17	1	1	4	0	1	2	4

House points for this week

	Elgar	Beethoven	Tchaikovsky	Mozart
10.10.17	226	160	205	235
17.11.17	175	103	143	179

The **Head teacher's Award** this week goes to; Emily for her fantastic letter formation- well done!

Remembrance Service



The House and Vice Captains paid their respects on Remembrance Sunday by laying a wreath at the War Memorial on Loudwater School's behalf. All children, except Years two and six, attended church this week. They walked down to St. Peter's learning about why we have Remembrance Day. Year Two were on a fun trip to Wycombe Museum and were unable to take part and Year Six had their own visit to the War Memorial. It was a very chilly day but all the children enjoyed the fresh air out of the classroom – a valuable experience.

Thanks to Mr Armstrong for the photograph.

Netball Competition



Team: Erin, Maddie, Sarah, Maya, Tia, Keeley, Pia, Eleanor and Ella

On Saturday morning the Loudwater netball team were invited to play in a netball tournament against 9 other school teams. It was a fun experience for all of us. We came 9th out of 10 but in March we will try to do better. It was overall very close in every match but most others had a lot more experience than us.
Report by Erin and Maddie.

Thanks to Mrs Merry, Mr Hasyn and all who took part.

Street Art Drop and The Wall



We all had a wonderful and creative day on Thursday. The 'Street Art Drop' and team made a visit and totally transformed our very dull side wall. Take look and we are sure you will agree. The children also benefitted from workshops run by the team leader and his helpers which took place in the hall. The work they produced was amazing and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves - a bit messy but great fun which created a real buzz throughout the school.

Street Art Drop and The Wall



The blank canvas



The initial ideas and outline



The completed work – it looks 'Awesome' and we are all very proud to of our new piece of unique school art.

Thank you to 'The Street Art Drop' and to Miss Weston for her hard work and organisation – a great job!

Children in Need

We held our Mufti Day today for Children in Need and raised **£268** - Thank you for all the old and new £1.00 coins. It will all go to a worthy cause.

Bikeability-Years Five and Six

Please note, amended dates for the cycle training course at school. To confirm, the three Bikeability sessions take place on: **Wednesday 29th November, Thursday 30th November and Friday 1st December**

To ensure your place, payment of £10.00 needs to be paid via the Gateway and the consent form, sent previously, requires returning to school by Wednesday 22nd November.

FAB Academy Cancellation

As you are aware all three after school clubs have been cancelled due to the cold, dark evenings and the school Christmas play rehearsals needing to take place in the hall. FAB Academy should have refunded any overpayment for the unused sessions. If you have any issues then please contact them direct:

T: 01628 330322 // E: community@fabacademy.co.uk // W: www.fabacademy.co.uk

FOLS News

Christmas is coming...join in the fun and help our school at the same time!

Pantomime tickets for Thursday 14th December are still available via School Gateway, at the special price of £18 each (normal price £26) - bring your family and friends! This year, the Wycombe Swan panto is Jack & the Beanstalk. From next week we will be opening our remaining ticket allocation to other schools and the local community, so if you would like to purchase tickets, please do so as soon as possible - don't miss out!

Our annual **Christmas Bazaar** will be held after school on **Friday 1st December**. Games, prizes, food & drink, plus the opportunity to support our children - each class will be showcasing their handmade items from enterprise week. ***We do still need some extra parents to help us run stalls, so if you can spare a couple of hours please do let one of the committee know, or ask your class representative to pass on the message.***

Finally, thank you to all parents who have bought tickets for the curry night on Tuesday, we're looking forward to a great evening!

Yours faithfully

Clare Cunningham

Mrs C Cunningham
Head teacher

Newsletter, consent forms and payments

We are now only sending out the newsletter via email so do please ensure that you inform the office of your current email address if you have not already done so – contact:

office@loudwater.bucks.sch.uk

Disclaimer

From time to time we are asked by a range of organisations to give out leaflets. We always agree if we think this could be of interest or benefit to the children. However we do not endorse any of these organisations and parents should always check their credentials carefully to make sure children would be safe and well looked after.

LOUDWATER COMBINED SCHOOL Calendar of events for 2017-18

		<u>November</u> 23rd Values Assembly Y6 24th Flu Vaccinations for FS – Y4 children
<u>December</u> 1st Christmas Bazaar 7th Open Day (9.30 – 10.30 & 2.00-3.00) 12th Key Stage 2 Christmas Production 2pm & 7pm 13th 9.30am Key Stage 1 Christmas Production 14th 2.30pm Key Stage 1 Christmas Production 18th Christmas Service am Christmas Activities pm 19th School closes at 2pm for Christmas break	<u>January</u> 3rd Training day for teachers 4th Children return to School 31st Values Assembly Y3	<u>February</u> 7th & 8th Parent/Teacher Consultations 12th – 16th Half term break 19th Return to School 28th Values Assembly Y2
<u>March</u> 22nd Open Day (9.30 – 10.30 & 2.00-3.00) 23rd Red Nose Day 27th & 28th Parent/Teacher Consultations Y6 28th Values Assembly Y5 29th School closes at 2pm for Easter Break	<u>April</u> 16th Children return to School 25th & 26th Parent/Teacher Consultations (FS-Y5)	<u>May</u> 3rd Values Assembly Y4 7th Bank Holiday 10th Open Day (9.30 – 10.30 & 2.00-3.00) 14th Year 6 SATs Week 21st Year 5 Assessment Week 24th Values Assembly Y5 25th School Closed Training Day for teachers 28th – 1st Half term break
<u>June</u> 4st Children return to School 11th -14th Residential Visit to Green Park Y6 21st Open Day (9.30 – 10.30 & 2.00-3.00) 28th Values Assembly FS 29th School closed teacher training day	<u>July</u> 3rd Secondary School Induction Day (Y6) New Parents Meeting 6th Annual Reports 12th Sports Day 17th Reserve Sports Day 19th Values Assembly Y6 23rd 7.00pm Y6 Leavers Production 24th 9.30am Y6 Leavers Presentation Assembly 24th School closes at 2pm for summer break	<u>Class Assemblies</u> <u>Spring term</u> 9.05 Start 18 th January - Year Six 25 th January – Year Two 1 st February – Year Five 22 nd February - Year One 8 th March – Year Three 15 th March – Year Four 22 nd March - Foundation Stage