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LOUDWATER NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

Important Calendar Dates

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Week beginning June 11th for four days – Year 6 Residential at Green Park

Monday June 11th – Year 3 Trip to Chiltern Open Air Museum

Wednesday June 13th – Year 5 Football Tournament

Thursday June 14th – Artist Visit FS and KS1 (Sandwich Lunches please see below)

Week Beginning Monday June 18th 2018 – Art week

Value of the month

This month's value is creativity to coincide with our art week and exhibition as well as science week.

The key questions we will be exploring through assemblies and PSCH lessons are:

- Why are you creative?
- What would you like to change and why?
- Why is a piece of art wonderful?
- If you were a scientist what would your invention be to make the world a better place?

Our inspirational person this month is Walt Disney and we will be exploring his life and achievements as well as many of the wonderful quotations which have been attributed to him.

News from the classes this week:

Foundation Stage

This week we listened to a funny rhyming story called 'Oi Frog!' by Kes Gray. We used it to help us make up our own rhymes, and they made us laugh. We started talking about the journeys that we make and discussing the various methods of transport we have used. We have been estimating capacities in Maths and have been singing the Animal Boogie song.

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/Phase3Menu.htm>

Year One

In English Year 1 has really enjoyed 'Aliens love underpants' by Claire Freedman and Ben Cort. We had fun using lots of adjectives to describe the aliens. We also really enjoyed writing plans to get the underpants back from the aliens! We have also enjoyed learning about nouns. In Maths we have had a busy week ordering 2 digit numbers! We used the diennes to make 2 digit numbers. We used the Top marks ordering number games in the ICT suite. Then we had to order a selection of 2 digit numbers back in the classroom. We spent a lot of time focusing on how many tens and units each number had before we

ordered them. Our new topic is 'All dressed up'. We brainstormed what we already knew about this topic and then answered these questions...

- Why do people wear clothes?
- Do we all wear the same clothes?
- Where can we get our clothes?
- What are clothes made from?

Ordering numbers

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/ordering-and-sequencing/caterpillar-ordering>
www.phonics play (phases 3 to 5)

Year Two

This week, Year 2 has been enjoying a range of poetry texts. On Monday we performed the poem 'Beware!' by James Carter, then we explored different poetry forms such as riddles, list poems, Cinquain poems and senses poems. When writing our own poems we used our new topic about transport as inspiration. In Phonics, we have been revisiting spelling rules for words ending in al, il, le and el. In Maths, we have been using the inverse operation to check answers and find missing numbers. This has involved remembering to use an empty number line or partitioning to calculate answers. In Topic, we have begun our new focus on Transport. To begin the topic we made 3D space rockets by constructing nets to make a cylinder and a cone. We also compiled a list of questions we would like to find out about throughout this unit of work.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/subtraction-grids>

Please select **One Number**, then the range of numbers you would like to practise. Remember to use the **inverse** to find the missing number!

Year Three

In English this week, those of us in Year 3 have started a new text called 'Ottoline and the Yellow Cat' by Chris Riddell. We have gathered information out of the text to help us write a character description of the main character, Ottoline. We have also used drama to explore characters thoughts and feelings and we have predicted future events in the story by looking for hidden clues. In Maths, we have been looking at our written and mental addition strategies. We started the week exploring 3 digit numbers in different contexts and we discussed where we see these in the world. We have been consolidating our understanding of the extended and standard column methods with exchanging and bridging. We have started a new Topic called 'Settlers and Scavengers' this half term. We discussed what we are going to cover and have written about what it was like to live in the Stone Age. What fantastic Roundhouses we made for Home Learning over the Half Term break! Lots of effort has clearly gone into making these and we enjoyed looking at them all as a class on Monday. They are now being displayed in the classroom and the Library for everyone to enjoy!

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/guides/z34djxs>

Year Four

In English this week we have been reading poetry by James Carter and using these as inspiration to write our own poetry. We have looked different types of poetry including a haiku, a kennings and an acrostic poem. We have enjoyed writing our own versions of these poems using the theme of the ocean. In maths this week we have been looking at addition and subtraction problems related to money. We have learnt how to convert pence into pounds before using the formal written method of addition and subtraction. After this, we used the inverse operation to check our calculation. In topic this week we have started our topic on the Ancient Egyptians. We have looked at Ancient Egyptian artefacts and discussed what these can tell us about the past. We have also begun to research why the River Nile was so important to the Ancient Egyptians.

<http://www.historyforkids.net/river-nile.html>

Year Five

This week in English, Year 5 has started a new unit of work on The Piano. We had to try and use clues from the music and a selection of objects to work out what the film would be about. We have then worked in groups to write and edit a setting description. In maths, Year 5 has been revising factors, multiples and prime numbers. We have been using this to solve problems. We have also been using the formal short method for division and interpreted remainders as fractions and decimals. We have started a new topic called Feel the Force. We have watched a BBC Terrific Scientific live lesson to introduce us to the topic, and started investigating air resistance. We are looking forward to designing our own 'air resistance suits' to test in an investigation next week.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/physical_processes/forces/read/1/

Year Six

In English this week, we have been writing balanced arguments on the issue of 'Graffiti – Vandalism or acceptable street art?' We have used all our knowledge of the different opinions to present some of the arguments 'for' and 'against' graffiti. In Maths this week, we have been exploring the world of stocks and shares. We were given £1000 to invest in a range of companies such as Apple, Cadbury's and Crayola. We then, over the next two days, calculated the amount of profit or loss our investment had made. Well done to Aadya and Nikola who both made the largest profits. In Topic, we have finally discovered the identity of the culprit through our thorough investigative skills. We are currently writing a newspaper article where we will publish our findings. Rehearsals for the Year 6 leavers Play – Pirates of the Curry Bean- have started in earnest.

<https://www.boxofideas.org/ideas/practical-skills-in-education/primary-school-2/transition-from-primary-to-secondary-school/>

Achievement Award Winners

| | Foundation Stage | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
|---------|------------------|--------|--------|-------------|--------|---------|--------|
| 8.06.18 | Jack-Dean | Emily | Adna | Whole Class | Lexie | Eleanor | Sarah |

The Head teacher's award this week goes to Lilly in Year 4 for her fantastic design for the cover of the school CD we will soon be recording - Well Done!

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 |
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| 8.06.18 | Charlie Emily | Dexter Andreea | Lily Lilly | Zachary Jacob | Ayaan A Teyha | Emy Macy | Oscar Aadya |

Attendance

| | Foundation Stage | Year One | Year Two | Year Three | Year Four | Year Five | Year Six |
|---------|------------------|----------|----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| 8.06.18 | 99% | 95% | 97% | 99% | 99% | 99% | 98% |

Punctuality

Number of children arriving after 9.00am

| | Foundation Stage | Year One | Year Two | Year Three | Year Four | Year Five | Year Six |
|---------|------------------|----------|----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| 8.06.18 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

House points for this week

| | Elgar | Beethoven | Tchaikovsky | Mozart |
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| 8.06.18 | 244 | 307 | 239 | 269 |

General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

In line with the new GDPR requirements we now need your consent to enable us to continue sending out our weekly newsletter due to the fact that it does contain various sports and club activities from third parties, which may be construed as 'Direct marketing'. This also includes requests for fund raising. **Please therefore use the school gateway to register your consent** which will allow us to continue sending out our informative weekly newsletter bringing you vital news, activities and school updates. Thank you in advance.

New Wednesday Lunchtime Club

We have recently teamed up with 'U-sports' to provide a range of after school clubs. In addition to this we have arranged for a day of assisted PE lessons for the remainder of the school year. Included in the day is a new Wednesday lunchtime 'Cross Country Club' open to Years: 3, 4, 5 and 6 and we are pleased to inform you that there will be no cost of entry. Just simply ensure that should your child wish to partake, they have their PE kit on the day.

Whole School Legoland Visit

The cost for the visit to Legoland will be £15.00. If you have not already visited the Gateway to give consent and make your contributions please do so as soon as possible. Payments can be made in instalments of £5, or if you wish or the whole amount can be paid at once.

School Gateway

We have a number of items on the Gateway that require your attention.

- Sign up to continue receiving the newsletter
- Year 2 and KS 2 - Consent to wear goggles during swimming (if required).
- Whole School – Consent to wear sunglasses (if required on medical grounds).
- Year 3 – Consent and contribution for the Chiltern Open Air Museum trip.
- Whole School – CD Offer as outlined previously.
- Whole School – Consent and contribution Legoland trip.
- Year 5 Football Tournament

Please remember to book your child onto the Breakfast Club register through the Gateway

Dolce Hot Meals

For your information, if your child normally has a hot meal at lunch time there are a few days arranged that they will be having sandwiches provided by Dolce. If you have already chosen your child's meal for June 14th, the week beginning June 18th or July 12th please check to make sure that your order is correct. Also, the tuna sandwiches provided will be with mayonnaise.

Girls Football

There will be no football for KS1 girls on June 19th, as the coach is unavailable, or June 26th the day of our Legoland trip.

Donation for Art Week

We would like to take this opportunity to thank The Friends of Loudwater School for making a donation of £150.00 towards our whole school Art Week. Rest assured that the money will be used productively for everyone. Donations are always gratefully received from all parties.

FRIENDS OF LOUDWATER SCHOOL

Pantomime

This year's pantomime at the Wycombe Swan is Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. The date for your diary is Friday 14th December 2018 at 7pm. Tickets are priced at £21 each

- we are now able to accept payment via debit/credit card along with cheque or cash. To reserve your tickets come and see us and collect a form. We will be back at the top of the hill every Friday morning from 8th June onwards.

Summer Fete

Our annual summer fete is set for Saturday 14th July. This is our annual and most profitable fund raiser of the year but sadly is under threat of being scaled down or cancelled unless we have more volunteers come forward. We require volunteers to help organise, set up, help during the day and clear away. So, if you can label a jar, fold a ticket or sizzle a sausage please, please, please see a member of FOLS to put your name down.

Secondary School places

If there are any parents of Year 6 pupils who do not yet have a secondary school place for their child in September, please contact school admissions – admissions@buckscc.gov.uk as a matter of urgency.

Yours faithfully

Clare Cunningham

Mrs C Cunningham
Head teacher

Newsletter

As you are aware we have moved to sending out our newsletter via email. Due to the GDPR, we are only able to continue sending out to those of you who have agreed so please do ensure that you **register your consent on the gateway**.

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>June</u> | <u>July</u> |
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| 11th Year 3 Trip to Chiltern Open Air Museum | 3rd Secondary School Induction Day (Y6) |
| 11th - 14th Residential Visit to Green Park Y6. Art week for other year groups | 3rd New Parents Meeting |
| 14th Artist visit for KS1 & FS | 6th Annual Reports |
| 14th Sandwiches from Dolce | 12th Sports Day |
| W/B 18th Art Exhibition | 12th Sandwiches from Dolce |
| W/B 18th Sandwiches from Dolce | 14th Summer Fete |
| 21st Open Day (9.30 – 10.30 & 2.00-3.00) | 17th Reserve Sports Day |
| 26th Whole School Legoland visit | 19th Values Assembly Y6 |
| 28th Values Assembly FS | 23rd 7.00pm Y6 Leavers Production |
| 29th School Closed Training Day for teachers | 24th 9.30am Y6 Leavers Presentation Assembly |
| | 24th School closes at 2pm for summer break |