



## Loudwater Combined School

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# LOUDWATER NEWSLETTER

## Friday April 27th 2018

Dear Parents,

### Important Calendar Dates

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April – FS & KS1 Visit from the Perform Drama Group  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May – Year 6 Netball Match after school  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May – Netball - After School Club postponed due to Year 6 match.  
Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May – Year 4 Values Assembly  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May – Bag 2 School collection  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May – United Nations Anti-bullying awareness day

News from the classes this week:

### Foundation Stage

In Foundation Stage this week we have been learning about insects and slugs and snails. We have written about Matisse's collage 'The Snail' and have read non-fiction books to find out facts. We have been learning about capacity in our Maths sessions and trying to guess whether a container would hold more or less liquid than a litre. We have listened to the story 'Rumble in the Jungle', so that we are ready for our drama session next week.

Come Outside - Snails <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=ki97nLa2rjk>

Preview YouTube video Come Outside - SNAILS



### Year One

This week in English Year 1 has been collecting amazing adjectives to describe the three little pigs and the big bad wolf. We used these adjectives to help Mummy Pig make a missing poster to find the pigs. We also made a wanted poster to help the police catch the big bad wolf. We have also been learning about adverbs and making our sentences better by using adverbs.

We have had a busy week measuring mass in maths! We have been using balance scales to find objects that have a mass of more, less or the same as 1kg. We also had to find how much fruit we would need if we were to buy 1kg of fruit from the shops.

This week, in topic we have investigated the material that the three little pigs used to build their homes. We used adjectives to describe the properties of these materials and then

discussed why straw and sticks were not suitable building materials. We then talked about the reasons why bricks made the best house.

<http://www.ictgames.com/poopDeckPirates/index.html>.

<http://www.ictgames.com/10pipe.html>

### **Year Two**

This week in Year 2 we have been continuing to enjoy the story of 'The owl who was afraid of the dark'. We have planned and written our own chapter of the story, created a book review and completed a Smart Write activity about nocturnal animals. In Phonics, we have been revising the rules for dropping the e before adding a suffix e.g. make – making and late – later. In Maths, we have been revising how to add 2-digit numbers using the partitioning method and subtracting using the empty number line method. When practising at home, it is important to encourage your child to use these methods learned in school. In Topic, we have been learning about food chains and life cycles, creating our own versions of each of these.

<https://www.bbc.com/education/clips/z8hxp4>

### **Year Three**

In English this week, Year 3 has been discussing how Lucy might be feeling in the story of 'Wolves in the Walls.' We have found words to describe the noises coming from inside the walls and by using Thesauruses have found synonyms to help us write fantastic diary entries. We have also discussed what the author, Neil Gaiman, does to build up suspense for the reader and how illustrations help the reader enjoy the story.

In Maths, we have been focusing on multiplying and dividing numbers by 10. We have used arrays to build multiplication and division sentences as well as discussing strategies to multiply a single digit number by a two digit number. Towards the end of the week, we solved practical problems involving division and money.

In Topic, we have looked at the function of our bones. We had lots of questions and enjoyed creating our own skeletons by drawing and cutting out paper bones and sticking them in the correct places. We have started looking at how muscles help us move and the muscle groups that help us when playing particular sports.

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/living\\_things/skeletons\\_muscles/read/1/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/living_things/skeletons_muscles/read/1/)

### **Year Four**

During English, we have continued our work based on the book 'Why the Whales Came'. We have discovered more about The Birdman and written a diary entry from Gracie's point of view, showing her thoughts about him so far and how her feelings are beginning to change. We have also thought about what the first meeting would be like between The Birdman and Gracie and Daniel and what they might say to each other.

During maths we have continued our work on different multiplication methods. We have practised multiplying three numbers together and found out the effect of multiplying a number by 1 or by 0. We have also continued to practise short multiplication using a column method.

During our topic lessons we have continued to construct simple electrical circuits. We have investigated the effect of adding extra electrical components into a circuit and also found out how to make a circuit with a bulb and a buzzer, which can be operated by a switch.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/multiplication-and-division>

### **Year Five**

This week in English, Year Five has been continuing to read 'Gangsta Granny'. We have been writing instructions about how to fool our parents as this is what Ben in the story does. Additionally, we have written play scripts of a conversation between Granny and the Silverline helpline.

In maths, Year Five has been focusing on different types of angles. We have been using calculation strategies to find missing angles on a line and around a point, and have also been practising using protractors to draw and measure angles.

In topic, Year Five has been looking at animal classification of vertebrates and invertebrates. We have also started to investigate the carbon content of the trees in the school grounds, and look at the processes of photosynthesis and the carbon cycle.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

## Year Six

In English this week, we have been exploring the controversial issue of graffiti. We have undertaken research in this area, looking at its origins, how modern graffiti has developed, the different styles of graffiti and a famous graffiti artist. We have then written non-chronological reports using this information.

In Maths we have been revising and consolidating our learning of algebra, arithmetic and short and long division. We have practiced these mathematical skills and applied our knowledge to problem solving. In Topic we have started our forensic training by conducting a scientific investigation into colour chromatography.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/mental-maths>

## Achievement Award Winners

	Foundation Stage	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<b>20.04.18</b>	Finley Sidney	Mason W	Rachel	Ruby	Harrison	Hewa	Keeley
<b>27.04.18</b>	Esa	Rayaan	Amaaya	Jacob	Amelia	Emy	Lee

The Head teacher's award this week goes to Andreea in Year1 for her fantastic joined handwriting - 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
<b>20.04.18</b>	Taaha Nathaniel	Benjamin Andreea	Adna Reece	Ryan Aundrea	Nayah Joshua	Efthymia Stanley	George Skye
<b>27.04.18</b>	Jack Breagha	Mason W Maya	Dylan Leah	Mason B Ruby	Jaiden Zion	Macy Francesca	Freya Mackenzie

## Attendance

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
<b>20.04.18</b>	94%	93%	98%	99%	92%	97%	90%
<b>27.04.18</b>	95%	99%	96%	99%	96%	98%	99%

## Punctuality

Number of children arriving after 9.00am

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
<b>20.04.18</b>	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
<b>27.04.18</b>	0	0	1	0	0	0	0

## House points for this week

	Elgar	Beethoven	Tchaikovsky	Mozart
<b>20.04.18</b>	178	171	209	167
<b>27.04.18</b>	243	223	183	178

## Teacher training days – school closures

Please note that this term there are two dates when the school is closed for teacher training. These are Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May and Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June.

### Contributions and Consents

The trips and workshops that we arrange over the year are specially chosen to enhance your children's learning. As a school we are unable to subsidise the cost of these activities and therefore the expense is split equally between class members. We do rely on your voluntary contributions and would ask you to check your Gateway account regularly to make sure all consents are given and your much needed contributions are made.

### Warm Weather

Although the warm weather seems to have deserted us at the moment please ensure that your child has a water bottle and sunhat when necessary for their time outside at play. We also ask that if sunscreen needs to be applied it is done so at home and not sent into school. If your child is a hay-fever sufferer and needs to wear sunglasses your consent for this is required and may be given on the Gateway.

### Recycling Batteries

As you know the School Council have signed up to an initiative to encourage people to recycle old batteries. Each child has been provided with a battery collection box to take home; when these are full they can bring them in to our central collection points to empty. Don't worry if you lose your box, you can still bring them in! Any questions please see Miss Weston or any of the School Council members.

### After School Clubs

All clubs, including lunch time clubs, have started. The following clubs are organised by our outside providers and require booking online. There are places available in all clubs for all age groups. Please do not send your child to a club organised by an outside provider without first registering them online.

After School Clubs open to Key Stage 1 and Foundation Stage		
<b>Monday</b>	Athletics	<a href="http://www.premier-education.com/sport">www.premier-education.com/sport</a>
<b>Wednesday</b>	Play Active	<a href="http://www.premier-education.com/sport">www.premier-education.com/sport</a>
<b>Thursday</b>	Football	<a href="http://www.u-sports.co.uk/school-coaching">www.u-sports.co.uk/school-coaching</a>
<b>Friday</b>	Smart Raspberry	<a href="mailto:helentucker@smartraspberry.com">helentucker@smartraspberry.com</a>
After School Clubs open to Key Stage 2		
<b>Monday</b>	Dance	<a href="http://www.premier-education.com/sport">www.premier-education.com/sport</a>
<b>Monday</b>	Athletics	<a href="http://www.premier-education.com/sport">www.premier-education.com/sport</a>
<b>Tuesday</b>	Netball	In School
<b>Wednesday</b>	Football	<a href="http://www.u-sports.co.uk/school-coaching">www.u-sports.co.uk/school-coaching</a>
<b>Thursday</b>	Dodgeball	<a href="http://www.u-sports.co.uk/school-coaching">www.u-sports.co.uk/school-coaching</a>
<b>Friday</b>	Cricket	<a href="http://www.u-sports.co.uk/school-coaching">www.u-sports.co.uk/school-coaching</a>
<b>Friday</b>	Smart Raspberry	<a href="mailto:helentucker@smartraspberry.com">helentucker@smartraspberry.com</a>

### Netball Competition

Loudwater Combined 5 Burford Primary School 2

On Thursday 19th April, our school netball team took part in a league match away versus Burford Primary School. The girls who took part were: Pia, Sarah, Erin, Maddie, Jess, Keeley, Lilly and Jennifer.

The match arrangements for high 5 netball include 4 quarters of 6 minutes each, with the players being rotated for each quarter.

Loudwater got off to a great start in the first quarter with a few narrow misses followed by a goal from Tia. During the second quarter, Jess and Tia scored a fantastic goal each to make the score 3 - 0 at half time. Starting the 3rd quarter in a strong position, Maddie scored two more goals for us before the other team started coming into their own and grabbed two late goals at the end of the third and fourth quarters to give a final score of 5 - 2.

Well done to all the girls who played.

### **Lottery Winner**

April's lottery winner was: Rachael Ruzgar – congratulations, your cheque will be ready to collect from the school office next week.

### **Whole School Legoland Visit**

During the week beginning 25<sup>th</sup> June we will be focusing the children's learning on Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. To make sure that all children have a fantastic time and that their learning is based on hands on experiences we have planned for all the children to visit Legoland. Thanks to Miss Brown we have organised for all classes to participate in a workshop whilst they are at Legoland:

*Foundation Stage, Year 1 & Year 2:* A Dragon's Tale focusing on structure and stability

*Year 3:* Lego forces

*Year 4 & Year 5:* Gears, Pulleys and Simple Machines

*Year 6:* Computer Design and Control

The trip will take place on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June. The cost for the visit will be £15.00. You can give consent for your child to attend the trip and make payment on the school gateway. Payments can be made in instalments of £5, or if you wish the whole amount can be paid at once. If you are able to support us by coming with us on the day, please see your child's class teacher.

### **Year 6 Green Park Meeting**

The Year 6 residential visit to Green Park is fast approaching and we have arranged an information evening for parents and children. During this meeting the itinerary for the trip will be shared, our expectations of the children made clear. Parents will be asked to provide contact information, medical and dietary information at this time. It is important that all Year 6 parents attend and we ask that you sign up for the meeting on the School Gateway. The meeting will be held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00pm in the school hall.

### **United Nations Anti-bullying Day**

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May we will be marking the United Nations Anti-bullying awareness day. This day will be a non-uniform day when children may come to school in a pink, purple or blue shirt or t-shirt to symbolise a stand against bullying. On this day there will be a focus in class and during assembly on how we all need to be tolerant of each other; valuing and accepting each other's right to express ourselves. There will also be a focus on cyberbullying; what this is and what to do if you experience it.

### **News from Friends of Loudwater School**

#### **QUIZ NIGHT - TAKE 2**

A huge thank you to all parents, friends and staff that attended and supported our 2nd quiz night. A very successful and fun evening with an enjoyable supper of Sausage & Chips washed down with many bottles of Prosecco! We raised an amazing £400. Thanks again for your support and look out for details of other social events later this year.

### **BAG 2 SCHOOL**

Time for a Spring Clean! A reminder that the Bag 2 School collection is on Friday 4th May. Please place your bags outside the office doors by 9am on Friday.

### **PANTO TIME ..... OH YES IT IS!**

We have again secured a block of tickets for this year's pantomime at the Wycombe Swan, Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. The date for your diary is Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at 7pm. Tickets are priced at £21 each. To reserve your tickets come and see us and collect a form. Reservations will commence from Friday 4th May and every Friday morning thereafter. We are now able to accept payment via debit/credit card along with cheque or cash.

We are in urgent need of some more willing volunteers to give up a few hours of their time to help keep Friends of Loudwater School going. As the name suggests, you don't have to be a parent of a pupil, you can be an Aunt, Uncle, Friend, Nan, Grandad; anyone who could give us some time.

Previously we have raised funds for the Web Explorer, Playground equipment, school coaches etc. Without your assistance events such as the Summer Fete and the school discos may not be possible.

"Come on, give us a go!"

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](mailto: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>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b> Values Assembly Y4 <b>4<sup>th</sup></b> Bags for School Collection <b>4<sup>th</sup></b> United Nations Anti-bullying Awareness Day <b>7<sup>th</sup></b> Bank Holiday <b>10<sup>th</sup></b> Open Day (9.30 – 10.30 & 2.00-3.00) <b>14<sup>th</sup></b> Year 6 SATs Week <b>21<sup>st</sup></b> Year 5 Assessment Week <b>24<sup>th</sup></b> Values Assembly Y5 <b>25<sup>th</sup></b> <b>School Closed</b> Training Day for teachers <b>28<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup></b> Half term break	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b> Children return to School <b>11<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup></b> Residential Visit to Green Park Y6 <b>21<sup>st</sup></b> Open Day (9.30 – 10.30 & 2.00-3.00) <b>28<sup>th</sup></b> Values Assembly FS <b>29<sup>th</sup></b> School closed teacher training day	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b> Secondary School Induction Day (Y6) New Parents Meeting <b>6<sup>th</sup></b> Annual Reports <b>12<sup>th</sup></b> Sports Day <b>14<sup>th</sup></b> Summer Fete <b>17<sup>th</sup></b> Reserve Sports Day <b>19<sup>th</sup></b> Values Assembly Y6 <b>23<sup>rd</sup> 7.00pm</b> Y6 Leavers Production <b>24<sup>th</sup> 9.30am</b> Y6 Leavers Presentation Assembly <b>24<sup>th</sup></b> School closes at 2pm for summer break



# Emergency Services Charity Football Match & Family Day

Adams Park, High Wycombe

**Sunday 27 May 2018**

**12-4pm**



**Join us this half term at Adams Park, the home of Wycombe Wanderers for a fun day for all the family!**

Meet with police officers, firefighters and paramedics, try out the sirens and lights and watch how a fire is put out. At 2pm the Charity football match will kick-off between Thames Valley Police and Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue.

**Entry is free for everyone. Free parking will be available.**

Donations will be welcomed on the day with proceeds going to the following charities:



Thames Valley Police  
Benevolent Fund

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South Central  
Ambulance Service  
NHS Foundation Trust

**THAMES VALLEY  
POLICE**