



Loudwater Combined School

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LOUDWATER NEWSLETTER

Friday 16th June 2017

Dear Parents,

Important Calendar Dates

Monday 19th June - Year 1 Chiltern Open Air Museum Trip
Wednesday 21st June - Year 6 Cricket Competition
Thursday 22nd June – Year 3 Chiltern Open Air Museum Trip and mufti day in return for tombola donations
Friday 23rd June – Class Photographs

News from the classes this week:

Foundation Stage

It has been Local History week and in Foundation stage we have been learning about the old school. This was a Victorian building at the bottom of School Way, which became derelict and was knocked down after our new school was built. We have been on a Local History walk and learnt about the changes in our area, and observed the site of the old school. We have also had a very interesting talk about the old school from local historians. We have looked at old photos to learn about the way things used to be. We have drawn the old school, printed pictures of the old school and built brick models of the old school!

[Google "History of Loudwater" images - to see some of the local history photos.](#)

Year One

Another busy but fun week in Year 1. This week has been local history week and the focus of our work has been about our school. We really enjoyed learning about the old school building and where it was situated. We went for a village walk with the Foundation Stage children and this was really interesting.

On Wednesday, Mike from the local history group, gave us a talk about the history of the school. We learnt that during the war a lot of evacuees came to the old Loudwater School. We also found out that the old school had no inside toilets! We made a list of similarities and differences between the old and the new schools, we found a lot! Most of us decided that we preferred school in the present as we didn't like the idea of getting the cane! It has been a really interesting week and Miss Weston and Mrs Bampton have enjoyed sharing their memories of the school.

In Maths this week we have been adding and subtracting multiples of 10. We have used the dienes and 100 squares to help us. We have also been working on our number bonds to 20.

[Websites: Phonics play....revise all phases. Poopdeck pirates....phases 3-5](#)

Year Two

This week Year 2 has been enjoying Local History Week by learning about Loudwater railway and station. In English, we wrote a letter to a local resident to explain what we had learned about the last 3 horse bus which travelled from Loudwater. Also, we composed questions to ask visitors from the Local History Group, when they visited us to talk about the old railway and station. In addition, we wrote an acrostic poem about transport, made a persuasive poster discussing positive or negative reasons to reinstate the old railway and, finally, we wrote our own choice of text based on the railway and trains.

In Maths, we have been learning to add 2-digit numbers using column addition. We have used this method to record calculations to solve word problems. In Topic, we began the week with a local walk to observe the path of the old railway line. In Art, we created a drawing of a view from a railway carriage, and also worked collaboratively with the Y3 pupils to create a collage of a steam train at Loudwater Station.

<http://swop.org.uk/swop/swop.htm>

Year Three

This week in English, Year 3 has been busy looking at pictures of Loudwater and the surrounding area and writing stories about them. We have created an informative leaflet and have written letters to John Gurney who came into school to talk to us about transport and the Loudwater train station.

This week in Maths, we have been completing written methods of multiplication and division. To start the week we looked at arrays for our multiplication sentences and then moved onto the partitioning method of division. We used Mathematical apparatus like place value counters and Base 10 to help us with our number sentences. Towards the end of the week we looked at completing grid multiplication.

In Topic this week we started by researching different methods of transport. The children used their Home Learning to help them with this task. We walked around Loudwater to compare pictures from the past against pictures from the present day. When we were out, we took a traffic survey using data loggers and came back into school to put the data into Microsoft Excel to create bar and pie graphs and charts. As both Year 2 and Year 3 were focussing on transport this week, we combined classes to create lovely pictures of the old railway track with steam engines using a variety of materials to help us

<http://www.localhistorygroup.org.uk/>

Year Four

This week Year 4 has been exploring what Loudwater was like in 1914 as part of the school History focus. We enjoyed the talk by the Flackwell Heath History Group on Monday afternoon and the walk around Loudwater, looking at how it has changed compared to some old photographs, on Tuesday afternoon. We have learnt how some children from London were evacuated to the local area and attended the old school during WW1. We wrote diary entries to show what the experience might have been like. We explored the lives of some of the people on the War Memorial and wrote letters to those they may have left at home. We discussed the suffragette movement and made placards calling for votes for women. The children have been learning about imperial measurements. They have calculated the costs of shopping in old money, made measurements using feet and inches and have learnt about imperial weights. We all enjoyed our visit to the Ashmolean Museum on Wednesday which was informative and interesting.

http://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient_egypt.php

Year Five

This week in English, Year Five has linked their learning to our local history week theme of life one hundred years ago. We have researched and gathered facts about life in the trenches in World War One. We then used this to write diary entries, imagining what it would have been like to live and fight in the trenches. We have also studied the suffragette movement, and discussed how World War One changed the position of women in society. In maths, Year Five has been revising mental and written methods for multiplication, including using factors and scaling. We have made some really good progress in explaining the concepts behind the calculations and are now moving on to look at the formal method for long multiplication, and how to interpret remainders from division questions.

As part of local history week, Year Five really enjoyed their talk from the Loudwater History Society. We also spent some time in the village, looking for buildings which would have been there a hundred years ago. We took our sketchbooks and created some lovely drawings of different buildings in the village. We have also been learning the song 'Sister Suffragette' from Mary Poppins and are starting to put actions and instruments to it.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/znmmn39>

Year Six

In English this week, Year 6 has been writing a short story based on short animation called Swing. We have had to think carefully about the structure of our sentences and how to use punctuation such as semi-colons, colons, dashes and hyphens.

During our Local History Week, we have enjoyed learning about the history of Loudwater and High Wycombe. We have had the opportunity to explore pictures of Loudwater from pre 1914 and post 1914 and see how it has changed today. We have also focused on the chair making industry of Wycombe and on Monday, we received a very interest talk from Flackwell Heath and Loudwater Local History Group. We have seen an apprentice chair maker's indenture from 1914 which showed that they would be paid 6p an hour. We also explored the history of chair arches in High Wycombe which first started 1877 when Queen Victoria visited Disraeli at Hughenden Manor.

In Topic, we were shocked to discover that Mrs Olcot was responsible for the crime committed in the school hall. We are now writing newspaper articles explaining the case and how we solved it.

[Website – BBC KS2 Science Electricity – activity in preparation for new topic.](#)

Achievement Award Winners

	Foundation Stage	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
09.6.17	Teagan Andrews	Serdar Safi	Urszula Bauza	Amaya Kayani	Alayda Safi Ell Lewis	George Gott	Jake Green Spencer Harrop
16.6.17	Andreea Buga Harry George	Natasha Zielinska	Afia Ditta	Crystal Jamieson	Kyle Lane	Sarah Fedorowicz	Stefan Enache

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
09.6.17	Kristina Taylor-Weekes Jasmin Subhan	Chloe Bowden Khamarion Gittens	Baylee Seymour Joseph Timson	Riley McGrady Olufolajuwon Roseje	Pia Collinao Pierce Jennifer Billing	Lexie Ridgwell Alice Betts	Emma Merry Chelsea Newell
16.6.17	Caitlin Brown Ruben Mathey	Raza Akhtar Logan Hudson	Harry Samways Henry Bridle	Kyle Chambers Vanessa Czajkowska	Macy Bridle Shay Barszcz	Erin Timberlake Aaron Patel	Jake Green Elizabeth Andrews

The **Head teacher's Award** this week goes to Year 4 for representing our school with their great behaviour and enthusiasm whilst on their trip to the Ashmolean Museum – Well done!

Attendance

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
09.6.17	96%	99%	96%	97%	97%	99%	90%
16.6.17	95%	99%	95%	99%	99%	97%	96%

Punctuality

Number of children arriving after 9.00am

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
09.6.17	1	0	2	1	0	1	1
16.6.17	0	1	0	0	0	0	1

House points for June

	Elgar	Beethoven	Tchaikovsky	Mozart
09.6.17	430	525	416	445
16.6.17	247	306	337	340

Water Bottles

Please ensure that your child remembers to bring in their water bottles especially during the warmer weather. Don't forget that you can purchase these from the school at £1.50

Sunglasses

As a reminder we do require a written request for any child to be allowed to wear sunglasses on medical grounds during break times.

Class Photographs

Our regular photographer is visiting school on Friday 23rd June and will be taking class photographs during the morning.

Year 1 trip reminder

Please remember that the trip is on Monday.

It is forecast to be very warm so please ensure that sun cream has been applied, that your child has a suitable sunhat and plenty of water. Also ensure that they are in appropriate clothing for the weather, shorts and a white polo shirt will be fine.

Would you please send a packed lunch and don't worry....we are going to have a great time!

Mufti Day

Please note change of date – the mufti day will now take place on Thursday 22nd June so that we do not clash with the class photo's as originally advertised. Year 3 may wear mufti on their trip.

Summer Fete - Saturday 8th July

Please put the date in your diary - the fete this year will be bigger than ever with the emphasis on FUN! Lots of stalls, prizes, food, a bar, games and activities, as well as a few surprise visitors.....both human and four-legged!

We do need your support to help make the fete the big success. There are lots of ways you can get involved, any help or donations for the following will be gratefully received:

- Tombola items (bottle or sweets, no chocolate please): there will be a mufti day for all children on Thursday 22nd June. In place of money, please donate a Tombola prize. Please look for the collection points outside KS1 and KS2 entrances at school drop off time.
- Teddy bear stall: if your child has a soft toy they feel they can part with, then we are happy to have these for our stall. We ask that all teddies donated are clean and in excellent condition please
- Cake competition: there will be a children's cake competition on Friday 7th July, with a prize for each class. As we are hoping for warm weather for the fete, no fresh cream please!
- Face painter: are you good with face paints? If so, we need an extra volunteer! This is an incredibly popular stall
- Volunteers to help before, during and after the fete - even if you can spare an hour, please make yourself known to one of the FOLS committee.

A huge thank you to everyone who has offered their help so far. We couldn't do this without our army of willing helpers. **More information will follow next week.**

Cricket Club

We have now agreed that the after school cricket club will continue until the end of term with a further 4 sessions running from next Thursday 22nd June until Thursday 13th July. The cost will be £16 per child. Please visit the school gateway to make payment and give consent. For any **new members**, please register your interest with the office so that we may then add your details to the gateway.

History Walks

The weather was certainly kind and added to this week's Local History walks around Loudwater Village went very well. All the children had a great time and benefited from some healthy exercise, fresh air, sunshine and valuable learning experiences.

Highcrest 2018 – information for parents of current Year 5

Do you want your child to go to Highcrest in 2018? If so, your child will need to sit a banding test before October 2017. Please visit their website for further information and to complete a banding test application form:

<http://www.highcrest.bucks.sch.uk/Entry-for-Year-7-September-2018>

For information, please find attached to this newsletter the Banding Test Booking Form and Frequently Asked Questions **(Year 5 only)**

Yours faithfully

Clare Cunningham

Mrs C Cunningham
Head teacher

If you are receiving this as a paper copy and you would like to receive an electronic version please email office@loudwater.bucks.sch.uk to request this in future.

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.

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Calendar of events for 2016-17

<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>
	19th Year 1 Chiltern Open Air Museum Trip 22nd Year 3 Chiltern Open Air Museum Trip 29th Open Day 9.30-10.30am & 2-3 pm 23rd Class photographs 30th School closed teacher training day	4th Secondary Induction Day (Y6) New Parents Meeting 7th Annual Reports to Parents 8th FOLS Summer Fete 13th Sports Day 14th FOLS discos for pupils pm 17th Reserve Sports Day 20th 7.00pm Y6 Leavers Production 21st 9.30am Y6 Leavers Presentation Assembly 21st School closes at 2pm for summer break

New items in green – the date of Sports Day has changes

<u>Values Assemblies 9.05am start</u>
29 th June – Respect Y4 19 th July – Happiness FS

TERM DATES - SEPTEMBER 2017 - JULY 2018

Autumn Term 2017 Training Days Mon 4 th & Tue 5 th September Term begins Wednesday 6 th September Half-term Mon 23rd – Fri 27th October Term ends Tuesday 19 th December	Spring Term 2018 Training Day Wednesday 3 rd January Term begins Thursday 4 th January Half-term Mon 12th – Fri 16th February Term ends Thursday 29 th March
Summer Term 2018 Term begins Monday 16 th April May Day Monday 7 th May Training Day Friday 25 th May Half-term Tue 29th May - Fri 1st June Training Day Friday 29 th June Term Ends Tuesday 24 th July	Please note: Pupils should not be taken out of school during term time for family holidays

Events this coming weekend



BUCKINGHAMSHIRE LEARNING TRUST MUSIC PRESENTS

WWW.BUCKSMUSIC.ORG

LEARN TO PLAY DAY

SUNDAY 18TH JUNE, 2-6PM
learntoplayday.com

FAMILY FUN
 TRY OUT AN INSTRUMENT
 FREE LESSONS
 PERFORMANCES
 OPEN MIC STAGE
 FUN WORKSHOPS
 STALLS
 CAFE



AT THE WYCOMBE SWAN, ST. MARY STREET, HIGH WYCOMBE, HP11 2XE

For Year 5 parents only

We have attached some information from Highcrest which is relevant to any child who is wishing to enrol there is 2018