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LOUDWATER UPDATE Friday 18th October 2019

Dear Parents,

Important Calendar Dates

Monday 21st October - Whole School Flu Immunisations Tuesday 22nd October - Living Rainforest Trip Year 4 Monday 21st & Thursday 24th October - Parent/Teacher Consultations Friday 25th October – School closes for half term break Monday 4th November – School reopens for the autumn term

News from the classes this week: **Foundation Stage**

In Foundation Stage this week we have been learning more about our bodies and labelling diagrams. We have also been working on writing our first sentences, which have been about our bodies. We have started work on adding numbers together which we will continue next week, and we have been looking at 2D shapes and naming them. We have played team games in our outdoor PE Lesson and used the parachute in our indoor PE session. In phonics we have learnt the sounds e, u, r and ck. https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/Phase2Menu.htm

Year One

This week in English we have been continuing to enjoy 'Where the wild things are'. We have really enjoyed writing in the role of Max to explain all the mischief that he has been making! We have also had fun listening to other stories with monsters such as 'The Gruffalo' and 'Monsters love Underpants'. We had to decide which monster would make the best friend and give a reason using the word because. This week we also designed our own wild things and added labels to them.

In Maths we have been continuing to work on our number bonds to 10. We have also been using a number line to help us to find missing numbers in addition and subtraction number sentences. We have been concentrating on being accurate with our jumps!

In topic we thought about how it feels to belong to our school and how people know which school we belong to. We also thought about other reasons why people might wear uniforms. As part of Black History month we have been learning about the achievements of Mae Jemison.

Useful websites

www.phonicsplay (phase 3, focus on ow, or and ur)

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button (select the number bonds to 10 option)

Year Two

In English, Year 2 has been continuing their learning about The Great Fire of London. First, we planned our information texts using notes and we focused on key vocabulary. Then we began writing Chapters 1 and 2 of our books, applying the features we learned last week. We will be continuing to write our books until half term.

In Phonics we have been learning the rules for adding suffixes that begin with a consonant. These are: ful, ment, ness and ly. We have explored the rule that most words do not need to be changed when adding a suffix with a consonant. However, when a word ends with a y we often need to change the y to an i, as in the words beautiful, clumsily and happiness. In Maths we have been practising adding and subtracting numbers using a number line. Also, we have explored how to find missing numbers in a number sentence. The focus has been on counting accurately when using a number line!

In Topic we 'met' Thomas Farriner, the King's Baker from 1666! When he visited, we asked him lots of questions about the fire. Then we helped him to write a letter of apology to King Charles II for starting the fire that destroyed London Town. We have also learned more about Bernard Harris, who was the first African-American astronaut to walk in space. http://www.ictgames.com/mobilePage/spookySpellings/index.html

Select the number 2 (for Year 2) then, click on a book number. This will give you a group of high frequency words to practise spelling. Drag the candles up to build each word. How many books can you complete?

Year Three

In English this week, we have been learning in depth about features of a newspaper report and their purpose. We have also been planning our report. In Maths, we have been learning about column subtraction including exchanging. We have been subtracting 2-digit by 2-digit as well as 3-digit by 3-digit numbers. In PE, we have strengthened our skills and knowledge in Basketball and The Jive. In Art and DT, we have been looking at the shape and designs on Roman shields and we have had fun designing our own! We have also been continuing to enjoy learning the song 'Like a Roman'. In History we have completed our research of Roman Life and we are beginning to prepare our posters, leaflets, models and books.

http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/Romans.html

Year Four

In our English lessons this week, we have been completing our independent writing for this unit of work. For this, we have written a non-chronological report about new creatures that have been discovered by Jared and Mallory in 'The Spiderwick Chronicles'. This was a good opportunity for us to apply our learning from English over the last few weeks. During our maths lessons, we have been looking at the written method for subtraction with up to four digits. We have looked at this in a practical context and used place value counters to represent different calculations. We then looked at the written method of column subtraction involving one or more exchange. Finally, we looked at how we could apply this knowledge of column subtraction to solving different problems in context. During our topic lessons, we have completed our wildlife guides about the animals that can be found in the world's rainforests. We have also looked at the harmful effects of deforestation to these animals and the environment in which they live. As a reflection of this, we have produced information leaflets with facts about deforestation. https://www.theworldcounts.com/stories/Deforestation-Facts-for-Kids

Year Five

In Maths this week we have been revising the columnar method for addition and subtraction. We have also recapped the inverse operation and used this to check our calculations. Today we have used bar modelling to represent a missing number problem. We have continued to read Friend or Foe in English and have become really involved in the story. We debated whether David and Tuckey should help the enemy, and planned our independent balanced arguments, which we will write next week. In Topic we have been learning about Katherine Johnson, our inspirational person for Black History Month. She is 101 years old and helped calculate the trajectories for the first man in space and the first man in orbit. Her life's achievements and that of her NASA colleagues have only recently been widely acknowledged in the film 'Hidden Figures'. Year 5 were very lucky to have a visitor and expert on WWII come in and talk to us this week. We are very grateful to John Gurney, who gave up his time to share lots of new facts with us about the war. It was fascinating to find out what was happening in Loudwater at the time. Please ask us to share our knowledge with you!

Columnar subtraction and addition practice: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zy2mn39

Year Six

In English we have started a new unit based on the short film 'Eye of the Storm'. This is an inspiring clip about a mysterious pilot who battles his airship through an intense storm towards an intriguing green light (The Eye) – his only companion being a dragon. We have

written setting descriptions of the weather using amplification, a setting description of the whole scene and a character description of the dragon. We have also written sentences using semi-colons in order to separate two independent clauses. In Maths we have been using simple formulae and finding pairs of numbers that satisfy an equation with two unknowns. As we have come to the end of our current unit of learning, we have consolidated our understanding of BIDMAS. In Topic we have completed our investigation into the impact of exercise on our heart rates and have recorded and analysed our results. We have also created posters or leaflet to persuade a person to visit Norway. Website:- Anglo Saxons – Great for pre-topic research

https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/story-of-britain-anglo-saxon-britain/zdh2t39

Achievement Award Winners

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
04/10/19	Did not attend Assembly	Aoife- Rose	Freddie	Mason S	Milla	Rohan	Ryan
11/10/19	Did not attend Assembly	Max	Finlay	Ayaan	Amaya	Ryan	Thomas
18/10/19	Did not attend Assembly	Kelci	Michael	Kristina	Raza	Oscar	Kyle

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

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
04/10/19	Did not attend	Kendall	Breagha	Harry	Lucas	Amber	James
	Assembly	Scarlett	Callum	Jasmin	Chloe	Romilly	Niruja
11/10/19	Did not attend	Denise	Tilly	Stanley	Keira	Grace	Ryan
	Assembly	Mannan	Kacee	Amy	Ruby	Paige	Alice
18/10/19	Did not attend Assembly	Brooklyn Imogen	Evan Ellie- Louise	Isabelle Jacob R	Amber George	Zach Zahra	Jessica Harrison

Attendance

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
04/10/19	95%	98%	99%	100%	99%	99%	99%
11/10/19	88%	99%	95%	100%	98%	98%	97%
18/10/19	90%	100%	98%	100%	99%	99%	96%

Punctuality

Number of children arriving after 9.00am.

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
04/10/19	2	4	3	3	4	0	2
11/10/19	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
18/10/19	3	4	3	0	4	2	4

House points for the week

	Beethoven	Mozart	Tchaikovsky	Elgar
04/10/19	214	262	245	289
11/10/19	193	124	185	201
18/10/19	84	65	88	93

Flu Immunisation

Reminder - the flu immunisations have been arranged for Monday 21st October 2019 starting at 9.30 am. Everyone has been sent an email, with a letter attached, with all the information needed to make this a fast and easy experience for our children.

U-Sport Wrap-Around Care

Please see the attached letter, from U-Sports, regarding the Wrap Around Care.

Book Recommendation

Our book recommendation this week comes from Mrs Olcot. We have added her review to the end of this newsletter.

Bags 4 School

We will be distributing bags on Wednesday on behalf of FOLS. We will be collecting your full bags on Tuesday 19th November. Please do not bring the bags into school until the collection date as unfortunately we have nowhere to store them.

Flackwell Heath Bonfire Association

We are once again selling tickets for the Flackwell Heath Bonfire Association display in Flackwell Heath to be held on Saturday November 2^{nd} . They have two displays on the same evening to take into account the ages of the spectators. The tickets are £5.00 each and they may be ordered via the Gateway. Once ordered and paid for tickets will be distributed with the children. For more information please see the relevant poster in the school foyer window. Please remember to pay for all the tickets requested in the comment box not just the initial £5.00 showing.

Yours faithfully

Clare Cunnington

Mrs C Cunnington Head teacher

Update

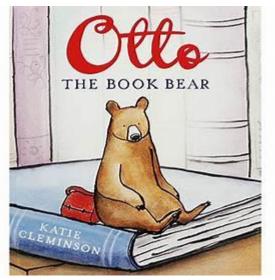
As you are aware we have moved to sending out our update via email. Due to the GDPR, we are only able to continue sending out to those of you who have agreed, by email, for us to do so. If you know of anyone not receiving their weekly newsletter please make them aware of this procedure.

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.

This Week's Book Recommendation

<u>Otto the book bear</u>



By Kate Cleminson

Otto the book bear lives inside a book, on a book shelf, inside a house. He is at his happiest when children are reading his book.

But Otto has a special secret ...

When no one is looking, he comes to life!

Otto loves to explore the house, read stories and practise his writing on the typewriter.

But one day something terrible happens! When the owners of the house he lives in move, they leave Otto behind.

Otto doesn't like being alone, so he sets off on an adventure. He tries to find a new home but everywhere is either: too busy, too wet, too cold, too smoky, too high, too windy or too unwelcoming.

Just when he is about to give up, Otto finds the most perfect home and meets many new friends who he lives happily ever after with. Can you guess where his new home is?

Recommended by Mrs Olcot

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Calendar of Events for 2019-20

	October	November
	21 st Whole School Flu Immunisations 22 nd Living Rainforest Trip Year 4 21 st & 24 th Parent/Teacher Consultations 28 ^{th –} 1 st Half term break 31 st Last day to apply for secondary school places online (Y6)	 Ath Return to school w/b 4th Science Week 7th Open Day (9.00 - 10.00 & 2.00 - 3.00) 10th Remembrance Sunday 11th pm Visit from Pudsey 15th/ 22nd Children in Need TBC 19th Bags 4 School 20th Year 6 Height and Weight 28th Y6 Values Assembly 28th Open Day (9.30 - 10.30 & 2.00 - 3.00)
December 6 th Christmas Bazaar 10 th 2.30pm Key Stage 1 Christmas Production 11 th 9.30am Key Stage 1 Christmas Production, 2.00pm & 7.00pm Key Stage 2 Christmas Production 16 th Pupils' Christmas Lunch 18 th Christmas Service am Christmas Activities pm 19 th School closes at 2pm for Christmas break	January 7 th Children return to School 9 th Open Day (9.00 – 10.00) 29 th Y1 Values Assembly	February 10 th & 13 th Parent/Teacher Consultations 17 th – 21 st Half term break 24 th Return to School 27 th Y2 Values Assembly
March 9 th – 13 th Sport Relief 12 th Open Day (9.30 – 10.30) 16 th – 22 nd Shakespeare Week 30 th & 2 nd Parent/Teacher Consultations Y6	April 3 rd School closes at 2pm for Easter Break 20 th Children return to School 27 th & 30 th Parent/Teacher Consultations (FS-Y5)	May 8 th Bank Holiday 11 th Year 6 SATs Week 18 th Year 5 Assessment Week 22 nd School Closed Training Day for teachers 25 th – 29 th Half term break
June 1 st Children return to School 1 st – 5 th Art Week 4 th Open Day (9.30 – 10.30 & 2.00 - 3.00) 9 th – 12 th Residential Visit to Green Park Y6 15 th – 19 th Assessment Week Y1, Y3 & Y4 16 th – 19 th Art Exhibition 22 nd – 29 th Science Week	July 3 rd School closed training day for teachers 6 th – 10 th Greek/Olympic Week 7 th Secondary School Induction Day (Y6) New Parents Meeting 9 th Annual Reports to Parents 10 th Sports Day 14 th Reserve Sports Day 20 th 7.00pm Y6 Leavers Production 21 st 9.30am Y6 Leavers Presentation Assembly 21 st School closes at 2pm for summer break	Values Assemblies All Start at 9.05am 28.11.19 - Thurs - Generosity Y6 29.01.20 - Weds - Honesty Y1 27.02.20 - Thurs - Love Y2 31.03.20 - Weds - Forgiveness Y6 30.04.20 - Tues - Perseverance Y4 21.05.20 - Thurs - Self-belief Y3 25.06.20 - Thurs - Creativity Y5 16.07.20 - Thurs - Individuality FS



As many of you will know **Loudwater Combined School** is registered with Easyfundraising.

Easyfundraising is a great website where you can help Loudwater Combined School raise funds simply by doing your everyday online shopping with over 3,600 big name retailers like Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden, and M&S.

Every time you shop, we receive a small donation to say 'thank you' and it's completely free too!



However, FOLS have recently become aware that the way that donations are raised on Amazon purchases has changed and we are losing out on valuable donations! If you link to Amazon via the Easyfundraising website or the Easyfundraising App then there is no issue, but if you go direct to the Amazon website or use the Amazon app on your smartphone/tablet, then this is where the change means donations are no longer being received.

When you click to Amazon via Easy Fundraising it will take you to AmazonSmile website. *AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices and shopping features as <u>Amazon.co.uk</u> The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, Amazon will donate 0.5% of the net purchase price (excluding VAT, returns and shipping fees) from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to your <u>chosen charity</u>.*

We have now registered the Friends Of Loudwater School (FOLS) charity on AmazonSmile to be able to collect donations. When you first visit AmazonSmile, please select Friends of Loudwater School as your chosen charity. After this all your future Amazon purchases will raise money for the school.

Whilst there is no AmazonSmile App, it is easy enough to make sure that you use the AmazonSmile website to make your purchases. Please see the instructions below how to change and select the school as your chosen charity and add the shortcut for AmazonSmile to your smartphone/tablet

How to use AmazonSmile on your iphone / IOS

- If you have the Amazon App installed, you should remove it. To do this, tap and hold the app icon until it starts jiggle. Tap the cross at the top left of the icon and confirm that you want to delete it. Don't worry, this will not delete your Amazon account or any of your settings.
- You now need to go online via Safari (the iPhone internet browser) and go to smile.amazon.co.uk. Select Friends of Loudwater School as your charity. If not prompted to do this, click the three lines in top LH corner



Scroll down to Your AmazonSmile, click change your charity, type Loudwater School in the search box and press search and select Friends Of Loudwater School

- 3. Now, tap the square shaped 'share' button on the bottom of the screen.
- 4. Tap the 'Add to Home Screen' icon. You may need to swipe to the left to see this:
- You will now have an AmazonSmile icon on your home screen which you can use in exactly the same way you used the Amazon App.

How to use AmazonSmile on your android phone

- If you have the Amazon App installed, you should remove it. Don't worry, this will not delete your Amazon account or any of your settings.
- You now need to go online and go to smile.amazon.co.uk. Select Friends of Loudwater School as your charity.
- Now, you need to click the three dots in the top right corner and 'Add to Home screen'
- You will now have an AmazonSmile icon on your home screen which you can use in exactly the same way you used the Amazon App.

Calm down and have some fun



Learn calm down, relaxation and breathing techniques you can use with your children to help them better manage their emotions. Mindfulness delivered in a fun and accessible way. Ideas and activities for helping children (and adults!) to calm down Stories, Craft, Songs, Music, Drawing, Imagination, Physical exercise, Nature

Where: Loudwater School When: Wednesdays What time: 3.30pm to 4.15pm

Next date: 23rd October 2019

For more information contact Jackie Boyce Family Support Advisor through the School office 01494 524919 You can't calm the storm, so stop trying. What you can do is calm yourself. The storm will pass.

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LUNCH WITH SANTA

AT THE COLNE VALLEY VISITOR CENTRE GROTTO Includes craft workshop, lunch with Santa

and a gift for every child ONLY £13.50

11am-12pm, 1pm-2pm

Sunday 1st December Saturday 7th December Sunday 22nd December Saturday 14th December



Places are limited so BOOK NOW through Eventbrite.co.uk or Facebook

