



Loudwater Combined School

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LOUDWATER NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

Important Calendar Dates

Monday 21st May Year 5 Assessment Week
Tuesday 22nd May – Year 1 Walk to Tesco
Thursday 24th May – Year 5 Values Assembly - 9.05am
Friday 25th May – School closed - Teacher Training Day

News from the classes this week:

Foundation Stage

In Foundation Stage we have listened to the story "What the ladybird heard". We have used this story as a starting point for our writing and we have made and labelled maps of the farmyard. In Maths we have been finding out more about halving and doubling and practising taking away. We have a lovely new Garden Centre in our outside area and the children have been buying and selling seeds and plants and writing their shopping lists.

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

Phase 2 and 3

Year One

In English we have been using different story books to research big bad wolves! We then wrote about them using the headings of diet, appearance and behaviour. We have also written a fantastic character description of Rolf, the good little wolf. On Friday we had fun unjumbling lots of sentences. We remembered that they needed to start with a capital letter and end with a full stop.

In Maths we have been solving addition and subtraction problems. We read the questions carefully to find out which operation we needed and we also highlighted the numbers that we needed to add or subtract. We have also been finding the difference between 2 numbers and working out the missing numbers in addition and subtraction sentences.

This week in topic, we have been looking at the Briar Rose paintings by the artist Edward Burne-Jones. We were picture detectives and looked very carefully at the paintings to find out more about what was in each painting. We also talked about the story that was represented in these pictures. The paintings are at Buscot Park in Oxford and we had fun making a visitor's guide so that other people could really enjoy these paintings.

<http://www.phonicsplay> (phases 3-5)

Year Two

This week, in Year 2, we have enjoyed the story 'My Teacher is a Monster'. We have described the characters of Bobby and Miss Kirby, created instructions for 'How to make a paper aeroplane' and written a descriptive poem about Miss Kirby. We have also

carried out some English assessments this week. In Phonics we have been revising the rules for adding suffixes beginning with a consonant such as ment, ness, less and ly. In Maths, we have been revising the properties of 3D shapes, measuring weight, length and capacity and estimating and comparing measures. In Topic, we have explored things that are alive, not alive and never been alive, as well as observing the growth of our sunflowers. In Art, we have sketched a sunflower, making observations and learning how to change the pressure on a pencil to create light and shade.

<http://www.interactivestuff.org/match/maker.phtml?featured=1&id=15>

Year Three

This week in English, Year 3 has been writing instructions and directions for Lucy to find her Pig Puppet doll in the wolf infested house. Towards the end of the week we planned a recount of the story and used this to write fantastic story boards. We have started a new unit on lines and turns in Maths. We started the unit by investigating lines and turns and where we could find them in everyday life. We discussed parallel, perpendicular, horizontal and vertical lines. In Topic, we have been discussing the harmful effects of cigarettes and alcohol on our bodies. We created some fantastic posters about this.

<https://www.bbc.com/education/clips/z42w2hv>

Year Four

In English this week we have completed our independent writing for this unit of work. Our writing was a newspaper report based around the events on Bryher the day the whales came, from the book we have been reading from by Michael Morpurgo.

In Maths this week we have been counting in multiples of 25, finding 1000 more and 1000 less than a number and learning about the place value of money. We have then applied our knowledge of counting in 25s to working with money.

In our topic lessons this week, we have continued to make our working lighthouses by following our designs or adapting them if needed, ready to build working circuits for the lighthouses next week.

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

Year Five

This week in English, Year Five has written newspaper reports about the theft of the crown jewels and the suspicious evidence which was found at the scene. We have also started a longer piece of independent writing about what happened to Ben at his dance competition.

In maths, Year Five has been tackling the formal methods for long and short multiplication. We have worked really hard with this and have started to use this method to solve problems.

In topic lessons, Year Five has been looking at different seeds and seed heads found in the school grounds and have sorted these into the different ways in which the seeds are dispersed. We have also written our values assembly which we are looking forward to performing on Thursday 24th May.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/living_things/plant_life_cycles/read/1/

Year Six

This week, we have taken our End of Key Stage 2 SATs in Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling, Reading and Mathematics. We all tried really hard to perform at our best during these assessments. As a reward for all our hard work, we enjoyed a film and ice cream afternoon. In Topic, we have conducted further investigations in order to solve the crime and we have begun to examine the evidence: the blistered lips and mystery liquid.

<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
4.05.18	Nathaniel	Jasmin	Logan H	Xandros	Adam	Max	Jessica
11.05.18	Emily Rose	Ben	Natasha	Zach	Vanessa	Kami	Luke
18.05.18	Ellie Leo	Emy	Blake	Amelie	Jaiden	Macy	Oscar

The Head teacher's award this week goes to Xandros in Year 3 for showing great resilience and managing to get into the swimming pool. 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
4.05.18	Esa Mia	Emy Karolina	Liyana George	Henry Joseph	Vanessa Adam	Rosie Ell	Muqet Maddie
11.05.18	Alice Eleithyia	Afia Shayley	Rachel Keira	Keira Amelie	Kyle Ryan	Jennifer Tyler	Nikola Tia
18.05.18	Sidney Lara	Ciaran Atharva	Ruby Isabella	Lucy Nathan	Dominic Romisha	Ella Paris	Sarah Lee

Attendance

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
4.05.18	97%	98%	97%	99%	95%	97%	99%
11.05.18	98%	100%	96%	98%	92%	99%	98%
18.05.18	98%	95%	93%	98%	96%	99%	98%

Punctuality

Number of children arriving after 9.00am

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
4.05.18	3	0	7	0	1	0	1
11.05.18	0	0	2	0	0	1	2
18.05.18	0	0	1	0	0	0	0

House points for this week

	Elgar	Beethoven	Tchaikovsky	Mozart
4.05.18	208	218	159	180
11.05.18	168	140	157	202
18.05.18	237	220	288	281

Well done goes to Poppy, Mason, Keira, Kyla, Oscar, Faith and Amber for gaining their Pen Licences this week.

Year 1 Trip to Tesco

On Tuesday May 22nd Year 1 will be walking to Tesco, Loudwater. They will be leaving during the morning and returning in time to have their lunch at school as normal. Miss Weston has given all the children a letter with full details of the trip.



Year 4 Tennis

Team: Zion, Sri, Jessica, Vanessa
On Thursday 17th May we participated in a Tennis tournament up at John Hamden Grammar School against 13 other teams. We had a fantastic time, showing great sportsmanship and positive mind-sets. The children starting playing their first match at 12.00 and finally came off court at 15:15. We managed a very respectful 7th place against some tough opposition. Well done to all those that played!

Teacher training days – school closures

A reminder that this term there are two dates when the school is closed for teacher training. These are next Friday 25th May and Friday 29th June.

General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

You will no doubt be aware or have heard of the forthcoming GDPR process coming in to operation later this month. In preparation for this we will shortly be sending out various notifications / documents that will require your prompt attention and action once received. Thank you in advance for your co-operation with this.

Swimming

A great start to the swimming season with the lovely weather. The swimming pool area is quite sheltered and a lovely suntrap. We are hopeful that we won't need to cancel too often as all the children enjoy their session so much.

Recycling Batteries

The School Council are still collecting your old batteries. We have a collection box in Reception and one in each of our classrooms.

Whole School Legoland Visit

The cost for the visit to Legoland 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 to help supervise the children, please see your child's class teacher or the school office.

Royal Wedding

This afternoon the whole school took advantage of the nice weather to celebrate the upcoming royal nuptials by having an extra play and a celebratory ice pop.

School Gateway

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

- Year 1 - Consent for Tesco Walk on Tuesday.
- 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 last week.
- Whole School – Consent and contribution Legoland trip.
- Year 6 – Final payments for residential visit.

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

FRIENDS OF LOUDWATER SCHOOL

Our new and improved pool!

As many children already know, the Loudwater School pool is now back in operation, after a long hiatus. This is thanks to a lot of people, both staff members and the wider community who have worked together to get the pool refurbished. We are very grateful for their time and energy, as well as for contributions to much needed funding.

Swimming is part of the PE curriculum for many year groups. Swimming is supervised by a qualified swimming teacher as well as class teachers, and is of course an important life skill as well as a great form of exercise. Many schools no longer have the benefit of their own pool, so we consider ourselves very fortunate to have such a great resource on site. A pool is not considered an essential facility, so funding is not routinely given to support keeping it up and running.

Please see the school website for a selection of photographs demonstrating how the refurbishment process evolved during the last year.

Getting the pool ready has cost in the region of £20,000 - we have been fortunate to secure some grant funding, but the remainder has needed to come from school funds, which rightly are always very carefully monitored and are a finite resource. This is just one of the reasons why we rely on FOLS to help support us in our quest to provide Loudwater School children with the best possible learning experiences, by helping us to maximise the budget we have.

If you could donate an hour of your time to the school, perhaps to support poolside at swimming sessions; or could contribute to some fundraising - whether big or small, your support is always welcome. Please contact the office, one of the school governors or a member of FOLS for more information.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 16th May at 7.30pm (location to be confirmed). Please see a member of FOLS if you would like to attend.

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

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.

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>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>
21st Year 5 Assessment Week 24th Values Assembly Y5 25th School Closed Training Day for teachers 28th – 1st Half term break	4th Children return to School 11th - 14th Residential Visit to Green Park Y6 21st Open Day (9.30 – 10.30 & 2.00-3.00) 26th Whole School Legoland visit 28th Values Assembly FS 29th School Closed Training Day for teachers	3rd Secondary School Induction Day (Y6) New Parents Meeting 6th Annual Reports 12th Sports Day 14th Summer Fete 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



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Bubble Football (7 – 12), Quidditch

Street Dance, Cheer Leading, Gymnastics, Arts & Crafts



Booking Details:

Dates: 29th May – 1st June

Standard day :	9.30am – 3.30pm	£18.75
Extended Day:	8.30am – 5.00pm	£23.75



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