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LOUDWATER NEWSLETTER

Friday 9th June 2017

Dear Parents,

Important Calendar Dates

Wednesday 14th June - Year 4 Ashmolean Trip
Wednesday 14th June - Year 5 parents information meeting for 11+ and secondary transfer
All week – History walks

News from the classes this week:

Foundation Stage

In Foundation Stage this week we have been hearing, writing and performing lots of poems, as it has been poetry week. One of our favourite poets is Michael Rosen and we learnt and performed his poem "We're going on a bear hunt".

We have also started our new topic of "Journeys" and have been talking about journeys that we make and how we have made them. We have painted ourselves going on a journey and have got a lovely new travel agency in our outside area, so if you want to book a holiday we would be happy to help you decide on your destination!

We have also been thinking about capacity. We have compared bottle sizes and tried to work out whether different bottles hold more than or less than a litre.

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

Year One

Year 1 has really enjoyed poetry week. The poem that we have been focussing on is 'Pants' by Giles Andreae and Nick Sharratt. We have listened to it, reviewed it and performed it. We had a lot of fun!

In Maths it has been a busy addition and subtraction week in our class. We have been adding up and solving worded addition problems. We reminded ourselves that when we subtract we have to start with the biggest number. We also solved worded subtraction problems.

On Friday we were very clever because we had a pile of mixed up problems. We had to work out if they were addition or subtraction problems and then solve them!

Our new topic is called 'All dressed up!'

We brainstormed the reasons why people wear clothes. We also learnt some of the reasons why some people wear uniforms.

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

Year Two

This week Year 2 has been enjoying Poetry Week. We have practised using actions, changing expression using the voice and using facial expressions to help to perform the poem BEwARE! By James Carter. We have written a riddle, list poem, cinquain poem and a senses poem using their topic of transport as inspiration. In addition, we have listened to a range of poems in story time this week.

In Maths, we have been working hard on solving problems using addition and subtraction strategies. We have also revisited why using the inverse operation is a good way to check calculations.

In Topic, we have composed a sequence of sounds, using percussion instruments, to accompany the poem BEwARe!, as well as creating a collage in Art and a digital picture in Computing to illustrate the poem. Finally, in Phonics we revisited rules for reading and writing words ending in – el, le, il or al.

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

Year Three

This week in English, Year 3 has been looking at a poem called Jerusalem by William Blake. We have completed some performance poetry and then interpreted the poem through art. The children have also written their very own stanzas in the style of Blake and towards the end of the week created a calligram including some of the key words from our new Topic of 'Settlers and Scavengers'

This week in Maths, Year 3 has been concentrating on written methods of multiplication. We started off the week with an engage and explore activity where we looked for multiplication in the school environment. We then looked at multiplying a 2 digit number by a single digit number and then applied this method to worded problems.

This week in Topic, we have been looking at our new Topic of 'Settlers and Scavengers.' We looked through the targets that they will be completing until the end of the academic year and then drew lovely title pages. We enjoyed researching about our earliest ancestors and how people hunted back in the Stone Age. The children are looking forward to next week when we are looking at local History.

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

Year Four

This week Year 4 has been exploring poetry through the poem 'Ozymandias' by Percy Bysshe Shelley (which has also linked to their Topic, with regard to Ancient Egypt). The children identified the features of poetry within the poem such as rhyme, alliteration and personification. We also explored the meaning of some of the more old fashioned words used. We were able to work in groups to recite the poem to the rest of the class and then write their own poem in a similar style.

In Maths we have been looking at different measures and at patterns in different sequences of numbers. The children used this knowledge to solve problems involving multiples of 25 and 75.

Our new topic is called Temples, Tombs and Treasures; the children have shared their existing knowledge of Ancient Egypt and have begun to discover how we know about the life of Ancient Egyptians.

ducksters.com/history/ancient_egypt.php

Year Five

This week it has been poetry week and Year Five has been looking at the poems of Alan Ahlberg and Michael Rosen. We have written their own versions of "Please Mrs Butler" which they performed to the school on Friday afternoon, and have also written their own versions of Michael Rosen's "Chivvy". Year Five has also been investigating different rhyme and syllable patterns and the affect that this has on the reader.

In maths, Year Five has been finishing their unit on percentages, decimals and fractions and are now moving onto work on multiplication and division. We have been finding different percentages of amounts and compared equivalent fractions decimals and percentages. We have also investigated scaling using imperial measurements.

Year Five has started a new topic called Fascinating Forces. We have discussed some of the different forces acting on everyday actions like riding a bike, or opening a door. We have started to investigate how the size and mass of different balls effects how much force is required for them to travel when thrown over distance.

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

Year Six

In English this week, Year 6 has been writing balanced arguments on the subject of 'Graffiti – vandalism or acceptable street art? We have had to present both sides of the issue so that the reader can make an informed decision about graffiti. In our poetry week lessons, we have been learning the poem 'The Tyger' by William Blake. We have then used this poem as inspiration to write our own animal poems, some of which were read in our whole school sharing assembly.

In Maths, Year 6 has been completing some mathematical themed investigations based the general election, the Ministry of Benches and planning, building and running a theme park. On Tuesday, we had to investigate whether the school had the required number of benches to ensure that 47% of the pupils in the school could sit down at break and lunch. We then had to calculate the cost to fulfil this requirement.

In Topic, we have been examining the final clues as forensic scientist and are now very close to solving the crime and discovering who the culprit was!

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



Foundation Stage

Our new Travel Agency which we have set up to assist with our journey planning.

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

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

The **Head teacher's Award** this week goes to Woody Abrams for some very accurate work in maths – 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%

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

House points for June

	Elgar	Beethoven	Tchaikovsky	Mozart
09.6.17	430	525	416	445

FOLs – Fete Planning Meeting

The fete is fast approaching; only four weeks to go until the event on Saturday 8th July between 12pm and 3pm

Thank you to those who attended the Summer Fete planning meeting on Thursday, we would still gladly welcome all parent volunteers who are interested in helping out on the day – please contact the office or see one of the committee members.

On Friday 23rd June there will be a mufti day in return for children donating items to the Tombola. This could be for the children's tombola and be sweet based, or for the adults' tombola which is based around bottles – from wine to shampoo!

Tuck Shop

The next healthy eating Tuck Shop will be held next week on Friday 16th June. Healthy snacks will be available at break-time. Children may bring in up to £1 (in change please) to purchase healthy snacks. All profits made are going towards the creation of a graffiti/values wall.

Cricket Club

We are pleased to inform you that the after school cricket club will now continue until the end of term with another 5 sessions running from next Thursday 15th June. The cost will be £20 per child. Should your child be interested in continuing, then please visit the school gateway to make payment and give consent. For any **new members**, please firstly register your interest with the office so that we can then add your details to the gateway.

School Gateway

A reminder that June is a busy month for trips. Please remember that the School Gateway is open for your consents and payment.

- Year One are visiting the Chiltern Open Air Museum consent and payment required.
- Year Three also visiting the Chiltern Open Air Museum again consent and payment are needed.
- Year Four will be visiting the Ashmolean Museum; consent and payment are needed.

For any issues around the use of the gateway or help needed, please contact the office.

History Walks

Next week at school there is a focused Local History week. As part of the children's learning, classes will be visiting a range of locations in Loudwater Village. Classes will be accompanied by at least 3 adults and the visits have been risk assessed.

On this occasion, please could we assume that you have no objection to these walks and that you give your permission; contact the school office if you have any objection. If you wish to know the timing of your child's walk please speak to their class teacher.

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>
	14th Year 4 Ashmolean Trip 14th Year 5 parents information meeting for 11+ and secondary transfer 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 14 th 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

Values Assemblies 9.05am start

29th June – Respect Y4
 19th 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

Of Interest for all.

#OneCommunity

Open Invitation to a Ramadan Meal (Iftar) with our non-Muslim friends and neighbours

- What is Islam about?
- What is the purpose behind fasting the month of Ramadan?
- What happens behind the 'closed doors' of Mosques and Islamic Centres?

WISE would like to take this opportunity to invite you, our non-Muslim friends and neighbours, to open fast with us at the Wycombe Islamic Centre on Sat 10th June.

Meet your Muslim neighbours in an open, friendly environment, ask questions freely and of course, enjoy a great (free) meal with us.

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are **INVITED** *for a*

RAMADAN MEAL *iftar*

JUNE SAT
10TH 2017

An open invitation to our non-Muslim guests
& neighbours to open fast with us

Program

8:15pm arrive

8:30pm presentation, Q&A

9:20pm open fast & watch
sunset prayer

9:40pm meal provided



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To register or for more info: register@wise-web.org

Contact Zahed on: 07909532439

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