



Loudwater Combined School

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LOUDWATER NEWSLETTER

Friday 23rd June 2017

Dear Parents,

Important Calendar Dates

Thursday 29th June – 9.00am Year 4 Values Assembly: Respect
Thursday 29th June – Open Day 9.30am -10.30am and 2.00pm- 3.00pm
Friday 30th June – Teacher Training Day – School Closed

News from the classes this week:

Foundation Stage

In Foundation Stage this week we have been listening to the story Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins. As it's a simple story we have written our own versions, adding in more detail. We have also written our weekend news.

We have been reading information from bar charts in maths as well as making our own. We have looked at World Maps and talked about hot and cold countries for our topic work.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cqKZYAmcReQ>

Why is it so hot near the Equator?

Year One

We had a brilliant trip on Monday to the Chiltern Open Air Museum. The children were all super and I was very proud of them!

In English this week we have been busy writing about our trip. We wrote a recount explaining which part of the trip we enjoyed the most. We also wrote some super instructions to explain how people did their washing in the past.

In Maths our focus this week has been on finding halves. We have found half of shapes and half of amounts of objects. We have also liked finding half to dividing by 2.

In Topic we looked at a map of the Chiltern Open Air Museum and plotted the route that we took on our trip. We learnt about the job that a key on a map does. We also compared clothes that children wore to school in the past with the clothes that we wear to school today.

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

Choose the halves option to 10

Year Two

This week Year 2 has been enjoying the film text Dangle. We have used the film to help us make predictions about the setting, characters and plot. We have also written a letter to the man in the film to persuade him to make a choice about what he should do. In addition, we wrote a recount as the man, a story ending and an alternative version of the story. In Maths, we have been practising the 3 times table and division facts to match. We have explored patterns when multiplying by 3 and learned to explain our observations using mathematical vocabulary. In Topic, we have created a model rocket and have sequenced pictures of cars in chronological order, making observations about how the cars have evolved over time. In Phonics, Year 2 has been revising the use of apostrophes for possession.

<http://www.math-play.com/multiplication-game-times-table-3/multiplication-game-times-table-3.html>

Year Three

This week in English, Year 3 has started a new book called Ottoline and the Yellow Cat. We have started by gathering information about Ottoline from the text and then moved onto describing her by writing a character description. We have also used drama to explore the different characters thoughts and feelings. Towards the end of the week we wrote a diary entry as Ottoline describing the clues that she may have already found in order to solve the mystery.

In Maths, Year 3 has been continuing written methods for multiplication and division as well as problem solving. We have been using RUCSAC method to solve multiplication and division problems as well as finding patterns in the times tables by using digit wheels.

Year 3 had a great time at Chiltern Open Air Museum on Thursday and learnt lots to do with what it might have been like to live in the Stone Age. This week we used our Home Learning to research prehistoric hunters. When we had all of the facts and information we needed, we wrote a diary entry as a prehistoric hunter gather.

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

Year Four

This week Year 4 has been reading 'The Egyptian Cinderella' by Shirley Climo and comparing it to the traditional tale of Cinderella. We have researched what life was like in Ancient Egypt and have started to use this information to begin their own version of the tale. In maths we have been multiplying 2 and 3 digit numbers by a single digit using a formal method and the bar model to help us. We have then used this to answer problems requiring multiplication. In topic we have written travel leaflets advertising the benefits of visiting Ancient Egypt.

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

Year Five

This week in English, Year Five has been exploring a short film called The Piano. We have spent time discussing the different characters and the relationships between them, and we have charted the mood of the main character at different points. We have worked really hard to create a powerful and emotional recount of different scenes from the film, using simile and metaphor for descriptions, as well as expanded noun phrases.

In maths, Year Five has spent the week getting to grips with long multiplication. This has been challenging; but have worked hard and are making great progress with this difficult skill. Now we are beginning to apply this to problem solving and reasoning tasks. It is important that we continue to practise our times tables, as this is an essential skill when calculating using long multiplication.

In Topic, Year Five has started our final BBC Terrific Scientific investigation of the year which fits in with our current topic on forces. We enjoyed watching the BBC live lesson, and are now looking at the effects of air resistance and investigating how to use air resistance to slow down a moving object. We are looking forward to testing our designs next week.

The Piano - <https://vimeo.com/57315645>

Year Six

In Maths, Year 6 has been planning and running a theme park. We have carefully planned our park thinking about the types of rides and facilities we will need. We have then decided on the admission price and calculated the costs associated with running a theme park such as staff wages, maintenance and electricity. We have also looked at the income the park will generate from the cafes, shops and ice cream stalls. Finally we were able to calculate our profits and losses over a whole month.

In Topic, Year 6 has started to explore their new topic of Electricity and Light.

On Wednesday, the whole class represented the school in a cricket competition at High Wycombe Cricket Club. They all played extremely well against some very tough opponents and in very hot conditions.

[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
23.6.17	Shayley Vaux	Isabella Ryder	Amber Bernard	Whole Year	Macy Bridle	Arianne Johnson	Remy Bashir

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
23.6.17	Harry George Stanley Grace	Milla Smith Ticha Martins	Romilly Scouse- Davies Nathan Weber	Thomas Sheppard Alice Wyatt	Tristan Robinson Tishanna Edwards	McKenzie Anns Natalia Malek	Holly Watmore Oliver Taylor

The **Head teacher's Award** this week goes to Year 1 for representing our school with their great behaviour and enthusiasm whilst on their trip to the Chiltern Open Air 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%
23.6.17	98%	99%	99%	98%	99%	99%	99%

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
23.6.17	0	3	0	3	0	1	4

House points for June

	Elgar	Beethoven	Tchaikovsky	Mozart
09.6.17	430	525	416	445
16.6.17	247	306	337	340
23.6.17	220	237	315	258

Vote, vote, vote! – Project Loudwater Pool Renovation!

Miss Weston has been successful this year in securing funding from Tesco's to assist with our pool renovation. The level of funding (£1,000 up to £4,000) is dependent upon Tesco's customers voting in store at each visit with a token registering which they feel is the most worthy cause. Please would you encourage all family and friends to support us.

There are 12 stores within the local area where voting for our pool project can be registered. We would like to thank Tesco for their support in choosing to sponsor our school.

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. It is also important that they bring a sun hat.

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.

Lunch time Server

Our catering company, Dolce are currently looking to recruit a, "Lunchtime Server" at Loudwater for 10 hours per week, Monday to Friday. Duties to include, set-up, serving meals to pupils and clear-down at the end of the shift. Rate of pay is £7.66 / hr pro rata, on a term time basis. Interested, then call Toni on: 07794 375135

School Tuck Shop

Thank-you for supporting our healthy tuck shop last week, bringing the total profit to £103.08 which will go towards our plan for a graffiti art wall. The last Tuck Shop of the term will be on Friday 14th July.

Safety of Key Stage One and Foundation Stage Children

Concerns have been raised about the safety of children whilst they are waiting for the top gate to open before 9.45am. At the top of the road there is a yellow line. Children should remain behind this line until the gate is opened. This rule is in place to prevent children playing around the rubbish bins. On some days there is a motor-cycle parked in this area and children should not be playing near this. Thank-you for your co-operation.

Car Parking

Concerns have been raised by some parents and members of the Loudwater Forum about car parking on Kingsmead Road at the beginning and end of the school day. Concerns have been that on several occasions, had an emergency vehicle needed to gain access to properties or needed to travel along Kingsmead Road, parents cars would have obstructed them.

Several years ago parents petitioned successfully to continue to be allowed to use the car park on Kingsmead Road and I am concerned that this could be put in jeopardy again if it is not being regularly used by parents. Please think carefully about where you park for everyone's safety.

Biggest Ever Loudwater School Summer Fete - Saturday 8th July

Make sure you bring the whole family and all your friends to the Summer Fete this year! Whether you like fun & games, the chance to win a great prize, food & drink (or all three!), there is something for everyone -

- **FAMILY FUN ZONE:** Inflatable bouncy castle & assault course, human fruit machines, golf, face painting, lucky dip, throw the sponge, car game...and more!
- **FANTASTIC PRIZES:** Raffle, tombola, cuddly toys, coconut shy, ducks, lucky programmes
Raffle prizes donated by local businesses include a Crowne Plaza stay; family tickets to Odds Farm & Wellington Park, Four-ball Golf, hamper of baby toiletries, a chocolate hamper, a skateboard and a car MOT
- **FOLS FEAST ARENA:** BBQ, Bar (Pimms, anyone?!), ice cream, cakes, cafe, chocolate, soft drinks
-AND we'll be welcoming a few visitors, including **Bucks Fire & Rescue, Hearing Dogs** & our friends from the local community groups. So don't miss out!!!

Thank you to everyone for the generous tombola donations this week, and to those who have put their names down to help out on the day. We can only make the fete a big success with your help, whether you man a stand, make a cake or simply come and support our school by spending some money on the day. Everything helps!

A few quick reminders of things we still need please:

- **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. Cakes/biscuits of all shapes and sizes are welcome, but cupcakes do tend to sell better at the fete than large cakes. As we are hoping for warm weather, no fresh cream please!
- **Pop up gazebos** (again, we are optimistic for great weather!). Please text or call Paula on 07535758947 if you have one of these you could lend us for the day
- **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.

This is our biggest fundraiser of the year. Please help us make it our most successful ever - thank you! - FOLS committee.

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>
	29th Open Day between 9.30 & 10.30 and 2.00 & 3.00 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

<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

Buckinghamshire Learning Trust Music

Young Musician of the Year 2017 Competition

SAT 24 JUNE 7.30 - 10.00pm (Doors 6.30pm)

introducing the judges

Nick Smart (Royal Academy of Music)

Clive Fairbairn (New Mozart Orchestra)

Aileen Douthwaite (Music Education Consultant)

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