

#### Loudwater Combined School

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### LOUDWATER NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

#### Important Calendar Dates

Sign up to continue receiving the newsletter on School Gateway
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June - School Closed Training Day for teachers
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July - Back to school as normal
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July - Y6 children at Secondary Schools, FS Intake meeting
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July - Year 5 STEM Day
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July - Year 2 Transition Meeting at 3.00 pm
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July - FS Bekonscot Model Village Trip
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July - Whole School Mufti Day - Tombola Donations
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July - Year 4 Team Building Fun Day

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July – School Reports
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Sandwich day from Dolce

News from the classes this week:

#### **Foundation Stage**

On Monday we were very excited about our Legoland trip, and when Tuesday arrived we were not disappointed! We all enjoyed the coach ride and had fun looking out for the brown sign posts that said Legoland. When we arrived we all cheered and walked into Legoland. We went straight to the Spinning Spiders ride and almost everyone dared to go on. It was then time for our workshop. We had great fun building a Lego castle for Ollie (a little Lego dragon). While we were doing this we learnt a lot about building a secure structure and about working as a team. This was so exhausting that we had to have lunch as soon as we came out. We ate our lunch in London..... well Legoland London, next to Big Ben and after that we split into smaller groups and went off for more rides. All too soon we had to make our way back to the coach and many of us slept all the way home! The adults were delighted with the children's behaviour and the sensible way they handled the heat. They also recognised that some children had to summon up a lot of courage to go on the rides and were very proud of them. https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/Phase4Menu.htm

#### **Year One**

It was an absolute pleasure to take Year 1 to Legoland and we all had a brilliant time! The day went so quickly but we managed to cram lots of activities in! We loved our workshop which saw us work in teams to build a Lego castle that would be strong enough to protect Ollie the baby dragon from the big bad dragon. We had lots of fun at the driving school and there were no crashes! We were all very pleased to get our driving licences! While we ate our lunch we enjoyed watching 'The Elves and the Shoemaker' puppet show which was under cover. We enjoyed a walk through Mini-world

and loved seeing the Taj Mahal. We also managed to have time to enjoy Brickville Park and the Lego Reef. It was such a hot day but we had plenty to drink and a big thank you to the parents for remembering sunhats and sun cream!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pchrn4a4V7c (our Pants poem) http://www.ictgames.com/sharkNumbers/mobile/index.html (up to 99)

#### **Year Two**

In Year 2 we have thoroughly enjoyed Science Week!

On Monday we designed and made mazes for a team of Hex-bugs. We had to work in teams, make designs, build the mazes and then redesign them when we found a problem! We found out the Hex-bugs do not climb over Sellotape and some of our Hexbugs escaped when the maze had a hole! Later that day, we drew our designs, labelled them and evaluated the success of our designs. We even met real-life robots when Mrs Inglis bought hers to school to show us. On Tuesday we had an amazing day at Legoland! Everyone had a super time and the castle building workshop was great! On Wednesday we wrote a recount of our trip to Legoland and designed our own robot. Our robot had to have a special function. We chose to either draw or make a 2D model of our robot; we then labelled our designs and wrote information sentences about our robot. On Thursday we created an advert for our mazes that we made on Monday. We had to persuade the Hex-bugs to choose our maze by using well-chosen adjectives, alliteration and rhetorical questions. We also practised reading and writing times on analogue clocks in Maths. The week finished with some Lego challenge card activities which involved following instructions and building items using Lego bricks. We have all developed our problem solving skills this week!

http://www.ictgames.com/mobilePage/hickoryDickory/ (Please select level 2.)

#### **Year Three**

What a fantastic Science week Year 3 has had! Our focus has been on magnets and forces for the last 4 days and we have learned lots! On Monday, we started off by talking about the different forces and how this affects movement. We did this by conducting an investigation with a car and 4 ramps made up of different materials. The children used the digital USB microscopes to see the structure of each material so that they could write up a written conclusion. We also investigated magnetic forces along with the strength of a variety of magnets. The children loved their visit to Legoland on Tuesday. They had so much fun walking around and having a go on lots of different rides, even though the weather was exceptionally hot! For our 'Forces' workshop, the children had the opportunity to build cars out of Lego. The aim was to build a car that would travel the furthest, however, was powered by the air of a balloon and not a motor. The children worked well in small groups and had many interesting scientific discussions regarding the thickness of tires along with how to make the cars lighter.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/physical processes/magnets/read/1/

#### **Year Four**

Year 4 had a fantastic time at Legoland this week. Each group was able to get around and see different parts of the park including the Lego mini-world, as well as going on some of the different rides. We really enjoyed our workshop on mechanics and learnt how to build and program our very own Lego robot! The children behaved impeccably and were a credit to our school. Well done! Back at school, we enjoyed the talk and live demonstration that Mr and Mrs Inglis had given us on their robots. We found out about the different uses of their robots and even watched a robot wars clip in which one of their robots competed!

http://www.historyforkids.net/egyptian-families.html

#### **Year Five**

This week Year Five had a fantastic day at Legoland! They really enjoyed seeing the different models- some of which they couldn't believe were made of Lego, going on the rides and had a great workshop. In their workshop they built movable robots, which they

then programmed using computer software. They also really enjoyed meeting the robots in school on Monday morning!

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/physical\_processes/forces/read/1/

#### **Year Six**

On Tuesday we had a fantastic day at Legoland. The day started with our workshop. We had to make a Lego robot called Milo by following the step by step instructions on the computer. We were then able to programme our robots to complete different movements. It finished with all of robots moving around at the same time. After the workshop we were able to spend some time in the park, enjoying rides such as The Dragon and Viking River Splash. A great day was had by all.

https://www.boxofideas.org/ideas/practical-skills-in-education/primary-school-2/transition-from-primary-to-secondary-school/





Year 6 budding scientists at Legoland

#### **Achievement Award Winners**

	Foundation Stage	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
8.06.18	Jack-Dean	Emily	Adna	Whole Class	Lexie	Eleanor	Sarah
15.06.18	Breagha	Andreea	Chloe	Grace	Dominic	Miguel	Maya
28.06.18	Evan	Freya	Whole Class	Rohan	Ayaan A	Madison	Muqeet

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

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	Foundation Stage	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
8.06.18	Charlie	Dexter	Lily	Zachary	Ayaan A	Emy	Oscar
	Emily	Andreea	Lilly	Jacob	Teyha	Macy	Aadya
15.06.18	Leo	Tyler	Alacia	Gio	Riley	Breanna	Aaron
	Evan	Benjamin	Ticha	Lucy S	Sri	Louie	Maia
28.06.18	Joseph	Tyler	Raza	Lucy D	Lily	Louie	Erin
	Ellie-Louise	Jacob P	Munopa	Nathan	James	Breanna	Arianne

#### **Attendance**

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	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
8.06.18	99%	95%	97%	99%	99%	99%	98%
15.06.18	94%	97%	100%	98%	99%	96%	99%
22.06.18	98%	100%	98%	97%	98%	99%	97%
28.06.18	100%	99%	96%	100%	94%	98%	100%

The monthly award for attendance goes to Year 6 for achieving 98% during June. Their celebratory Mufti Day will be held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July.

Our Citizen Awards this June go to:

FS	Eleithyia	Year 4	Romisha
Year 1	Ciaran	Year 5	Miguel
Year 2	Dylan	Year 6	Freya
Year 3	Afia		

Well done and congratulations to you all.

The Head teacher's award this week goes to the **whole school** for their excellent behaviour and participation during the Legoland visit. They were a credit to our school and I was extremely proud of everyone – well done and thank-you all.

#### **Punctuality**

Number of children arriving after 9.00am

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
8.06.18	0	0	4	0	0	0	0
15.06.18	0	0	6	0	0	0	0
22.06.18	0	0	4	1	0	0	0
28.06.18	0	0	6	2	0	0	0

**House points for this week** 

	Elgar	Beethoven	Tchaikovsky	Mozart
8.06.18	244	307	239	269
15.06.18 & 22.06.18 combined	436	355	391	423
28.06.18	215	205	245	208

#### **General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)**

In line with the new GDPR requirements we now need your consent to enable us to continue sending out our weekly newsletter due to the fact that it does contain various sports and club activities from third parties, which may be construed as 'Direct marketing'. This also includes requests for fund raising. **Please therefore use the school gateway to register your consent** which will allow us to continue sending out our informative weekly newsletter bringing you vital news, activities and school updates. Thank you in advance.

#### **Whole School Legoland Visit**

The children had a wonderful time at Legoland, enjoying the rides and making good use of the informative workshops. Children and staff alike returned to school hot and tired but smiling. Thank you to all our staff and parent helpers for their time and effort.

#### **School Gateway**

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

- Sign up to continue receiving the newsletter
- Whole School CD Offer as outlined previously.
- Year 2 Transition Meeting
- Year 4 Team Building Fun Day
- Year 3 & 4 PSHE Activities
- Year 5 STEM Day
- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July FS Bekonscot Model Village Trip

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

#### **Exemplar**

Last week we sent out some information about a company called Exemplar who offer additional tuition for children. During the week we have become aware that there may be some issues with this company and we urge you to do your own research. As a school we do not endorse their work or their approach and I am aware that the letter you received appears that we might have done so. If you have already sent in your form showing your interest and now wish to withdraw please contact the school before Friday July 6<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Dolce Sandwich Days**

On July 6<sup>th</sup> or July 12<sup>th</sup> the lunch option from Dolce is a sandwich lunch. Please check to make sure that your order is correct and updated.

#### School Uniform

We are pleased to announce that our school polo shirts, sweatshirts and cardigans have been updated to include our new school logo and those polo shirts, sweatshirts and cardigans are now available to purchase online. We are also changing the PE kit from the white T-shirt to house colours and the school logo.

- Mozart Yellow
- Tchaikovsky Blue
- Elgar Green
- Beethoven Red

Please check with your child which house they are in before purchasing the relevant shirt from Tesco.

Along with PMG Schoolwear, in the town centre, you are now able to purchase our uniform online from the Tesco uniform site <a href="https://www.tesco.com/direct/ues/">https://www.tesco.com/direct/ues/</a> Tesco home deliver for a charge of £3.00, if you join with a friend to order multi items why not split this cost. Tesco will also make a small donation to the school on every purchase made. If you do buy from PMG please check that you receive the new logo. Also, at this time, PMG Schoolwear does not stock the new PE t-shirts.

If your child is still wearing a sweatshirt or cardigan with the old school logo this is fine – but we ask that when purchasing new uniform you update to the new logo. If you are purchasing other items of school uniform prior to September, please can I remind you of the following school uniform requirements:

Other items of uniform needed are:

- Grey skirt, pinafore or trousers. Pinafore dresses and skirts should be knee length or longer.
- Black sensible shoes trainers or boots of any kind, including ankle boots, may
  not be worn. An exception to this would be boots worn to walk to school during
  particularly bad weather; shoes will be needed to change into.
- Plain white, grey or black socks or tights

In the summer (optional in the summer term and first half of the autumn term)

- Checked blue summer dress this should be knee length or longer.
- Grey shorts

For PE children need to have:

- T-shirt in house colours with school logo
- Plain dark shorts (navy or black). These are needed all year round for PE in the hall
- Track suit (winter only)

Trainers/Plimsolls (preferably trainers) – except in Foundation Stage where all children should have plimsolls. These items need to be in a named PE bag.

Please note that in Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 the only bags that the children should bring to school are their PE bags and book bags. There is not space to store any additional items.

In Key Stage 2 children may bring an additional bag but this must be of a suitable size that can be hung on their peg in the cloakroom.

#### **Tesco Blue Tokens**

We have once again been accepted by Tesco into their blue token scheme, starting on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Please remember to **ask** for your blue token when making a purchase from any Tesco. The more tokens we receive the more chances of a grant to help the school in their latest venture, which is to enlist the help of Chiltern Rangers to work with our children to develop the wooded area behind our school.

#### Teachers and teaching assistants for next year

On Tuesday morning the children will have the opportunity to spend time in their new classrooms with their next teacher. Staffing for next year is as follows:

Foundation Stage: Miss Harris, Mrs Greenaway and Mrs Williams

Year One: Miss Weston and Mrs Singleton Year Two: Mrs Olcot and Mrs Nicholls Year Three: Mr Neighbour and Mrs King Year Four: Mr Hasyn and Miss Doyle Year Five: Miss Brown and Mrs Inglis Year Six: Mrs Welland and Mrs Jones

If your child has a support assistant, we will be in touch shortly to confirm the arrangements for this in the coming year.

#### **Road Safety**

You are no doubt all very aware the roads around the school do get very busy at peak travel times especially in the morning rush. Please do take care particularly on the London Road where the traffic is constant and heavy. A near miss involving a child on a scooter was observed by a parent earlier in the week which was reported to the authorities - again the message is: 'Take care'

#### **Sports Day and Race for Life**

This year our school Sports Day will be held on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July**. You are welcome to join us for all or some of the day.

The programme of events (timings are approximate):

- From 9.15: Track races
- Followed by a carousel of events with children participating in house teams.
- From approximately 12.00 Picnic lunch on the field. Please bring a picnic lunch to share with your child/ren. If you are not able to stay to have lunch with your children they will be able to join their friends.
- From 1.30: Further activities which are non-competitive including the inflatables which have been provided by FOLS. During the afternoon we are also teaming up with Tesco to stage a "Race for Life" event to raise money for Cancer Research UK. This is an event just for children and there is no set distance they must run - we are just asking that they take part. To sponsor your child, and therefore raise money for the cause there is a Just Giving page for you to visit https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/loudwater-combined If each child is sponsored for £2.50 this will enable us to reach our target of £500; however whatever you are able to donate will help this great cause. Thanks to those parents who have already made a donation.

On sports day, children should come to school in their PE kit. If they wish they may wear a t-shirt in the colours of their house:

- Mozart yellow
- Beethoven red
- Tchaikovsky blue
- Elgar green

Please make sure that your child has sun cream applied at home, brings a sun-hat and a water bottle. If the weather is particularly hot the programme may be revised to take account of this. Should it not be possible to hold sports day on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July our reserve day is Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July.

#### **FOLS Lottery winner for June**

Congratulations to Lisa (Ticket number 34) – you are this month's FOLs lottery winner, your cheque will be ready for collection at the office next week.

#### FRIENDS OF LOUDWATER SCHOOL

#### **Ongoing information**

**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 - we are now able to accept payment via debit/credit card along with cheque or cash. To reserve your tickets come and see us and collect a form. We will be back at the top of the hill every Friday morning. We will also be taking deposits and payments at the sports day event where there will also be forms available.

**Summer Fete -** Our annual summer fete is set for Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Mufti day** – Friday July 6<sup>th</sup> - Please bring in a bottle of something (could be wine, could be bubble bath) or a sweet for our Tombola stalls. Collection will beat the top of the hill from 8.15am.

**Re sellable Toys & Books** – Wednesday July  $4^{th}$  - We are having a Toys, Books and Bric a Brac stall. If you have any items please bring them in on this date. Collection will be at the top of the hill from 8.15am.

**Raffle/Auction** – If you are able to donate a raffle or auction prize please contact a member of FOLS.

**Cake competition** – Friday July 13<sup>th</sup> - There will be a cake competition for each class. They can be big, small, biscuits, and scones, homemade or purchased! Due to storage and the weather please no fresh cream.

Yours faithfully

Clare Cunnington

Mrs C Cunnington Head teacher

#### Newsletter

As you are aware we have moved to sending out our newsletter via email. Due to the GDPR, we are only able to continue sending out to those of you who have agreed so please do ensure that you **register your consent on the gateway**.

#### 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>July</u>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b> Secondary School
Induction Day (Y6)
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b> New Parents Meeting
<b>6</b> <sup>th</sup> Annual Reports
12 <sup>th</sup> Sports Day
<b>12<sup>th</sup></b> Sandwiches from Dolce
<b>14<sup>th</sup></b> Summer Fete
17 <sup>th</sup> Reserve Sports Day
<b>19<sup>th</sup></b> Values Assembly Y6
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> 7.00pm</b> Y6 Leavers Production
<b>24</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>9.30am</b> Y6 Leavers
Presentation Assembly
<b>24</b> <sup>th</sup> School closes at 2pm for
summer break

# SUMMER FOOTBALL CAMPS

**Loudwater Combined School** 





4-12 Year Olds

Summer Course 1

7th, 8th, 9th August

Summer Course 2

21st, 22nd, 23rd August

#### **Prices:**

£14 Half Day | £20 per day | See website for multi-day discount

> 9am - 3pm (Drop off from 8.30am)

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