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LOUDWATER NEWSLETTER Friday 25th January 2019

Dear Parents,

Important Calendar Dates

Monday January 28th - Years 5 & 4 Working with Chiltern Rangers
 Wednesday January 30th - Year 5 Values Assembly at 9.00
 Thursday January 31st - Y2 Class Assembly at 9.00
 Friday February 1st - History Competition (small group from Y6 to represent LCS)

Uniform Week

Next week we are having a focus on ensuring that all children are smartly dressed, wearing the correct school uniform, including PE kit.

News from the classes this week: Foundation Stage

In Foundation Stage this week we have been listening to the story of 'The Enormous Turnip'. We wondered what Turnip Soup was like so we decided to make some. We found some turnips, but they weren't enormous, they were tiny, so we added a few other vegetable so there would be enough soup for everyone. Everybody had a go at peeling and chopping the vegetables; we added some stock and boiled it for 25 minutes. Most people really liked it and it was nice and warming, after a cold playtime. We also talked about healthy eating, and had a go at writing the recipe. In Mathematics we have been learning about ways of making ten, so we saved ten, tiny turnips and used them to practise our number bonds. We have also been watching the weather and were very excited by the snow.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jhw_IzJdVuU Preview YouTube video The Enormous Turnip | Books for Kids Read Aloud



Year One

This week in English, Year 1 has been comparing the story of 'Maximus and the beanstalk' to 'Jack and the beanstalk'. We wrote a book review about the story that we preferred. Some of these were even put up in the library. We also had the job of writing a letter of apology from Jack to Maximus. We had some very good ideas!

In Maths we have been busy weighing. We have the used balance scales and cubes to weigh objects around our classroom. We have been focussing on the vocabulary heavier and lighter.

It was lovely to find out how much the children e enjoyed learning about Mary Anning in topic last week. Thank you for your support with this. This week our focus has been on plants. We looked at the parts of a flower and a tree and found out the job that each of these parts have. We also set up a seed investigation, we think we might know what a plant needs to grow but we are going to investigate this!

Useful websites

www.phonics play phase 4

https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/articles/zf6vb82 (this tells the story of Mary Anning)

Year Two

This week we have been enjoying the film text 'Bubbles'. We have completed a film review, described and compared settings and designed an advert for the pot of magic bubbles! We have focused on effective vocabulary choices and use of similes to describe nouns. In Phonics, we have revised the rules for adding suffixes when the root word ends in y e.g. dry – dries (change the y to an i) or clumsy – clumsiest. In Maths, we have continued learning about fractions ($\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$) and looked at different ways of colouring in a shape to show these fractions. In Topic, we have explored micro-habitats in the Woodland. We observed different habitats, predicted what might live there and how the habitats provide for the animals and plants that live there. We are also enjoying multi-skills lessons in PE which Wycombe Wanderers are supporting us with. https://www.turtlediary.com/game/identifying-adjectives.html

The focus of the above game is to identify adjectives in the sentence. For those children who find reading at speed a challenge support them by reading the sentence aloud, so they can focus on finding the adjective.

Year Three

In English this week, we have started a new book called 'The Fox and The Star' by Coralie Bickford-Smith. We have enjoyed the story along with the beautiful illustrations that have helped us write with imaginative description. Early in the week, we looked at the language that the author uses and placed select words very carefully in our calligrams. We have also written informal letters and ended the week by writing a book review.

We have been using our discussion and collaboration skills to talk about many areas of Maths this week. We have demonstrated our understanding of finding 1, 10 and 100 more or less than a given number using Base 10 and place value counters to help us explain our reasoning. We have also looked at solving problems involving money and have started applying our understanding of fractions to reasoning questions too. We investigated the effect that different drinks have on our teeth this week. We tested coke, milk, water, orange, apple and tea, carefully putting an antacid in each of them and waiting to see what would happen. We discovered that milk and water would be the best for our teeth, whereas coke, orange and apple were the worst as they are acidic. We have also learned the dangers of cigarettes and alcohol and how they affect the body. Next week we will be looking at using Atlases to find the countries that have hosted the Olympic Games. https://www.olympic.org/olympic-games

Year Four

In English this week, we have read the next chapters in 'Coraline' and found out that her parents have gone missing. We have focused on journalistic writing and written a newspaper report to document the events leading up to Coraline's parents going missing.

In maths this week, we have been applying methods of addition and subtraction to problems to do with time. We have also converted between different units of time including hours and minutes, and days, weeks, months and years.

In topic this week, we have found out about ancient Egyptian gods and created our own Egyptian god using the same themes and ideas. We have also created a persuasive leaflet in order to encourage early settlers to move to the Nile region. http://www.historyforkids.net/egyptian-gods.html

Year Five

This week in English, Year Five has been working really hard to draft, write, edit and publish poetry based on the film text we are using; 'The Dreadful Menace.' We have also had the opportunity to choose our own type of text to write, and have started to look at symbolism in writing.

In maths, we have been adding and subtracting fractions. We have been changing the denominators of our fractions so that they are the same, then converting improper fractions to mixed numbers in our answers.

In topic lessons, we have been learning about how day and night are created through the rotation of the Earth, and we have started to research the different amounts of daylight that the northern and southern hemispheres are currently receiving. We have also started to learn a fantastic space themed song!

https://spaceplace.nasa.gov/seasons/en/

Year Six

In English this week we have been writing and practicing our class assembly which we performed to our parents and the rest of the school on Thursday morning. Our spelling focus has been words ending –ible and –ibly. In Maths we have been dividing and multiplying by 1000 in order to convert units of measure such as grams to kilograms, metres to kilometres and millilitres to litres. We have also been consolidating our understanding of negative numbers and numbers up to 3 decimal places. In Topic, we have been making our own fossilised bones. On Monday we all spent time with the Chiltern Rangers working in the woods at the back of the school. We have a great time making fences, cutting down small branches and clearing rubbish.

<u>http://www.ictgames.com/mobilePage/spookySpellings/index.html</u>This spelling game uses the words listed in the UK National Curriculum as being 'Common Exception Words' or tricky words.

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
11/01/19	Isabella	Tilly	Tegan	Charlie	Romilly	Ayaan Y	Breanna
18/01/19	Esme	George	Karolina	Leah	Afia	Niruja	Kayin
25/01/19	Amine	Kacee	Ciaran	Amber	Xandros	Alice	Whole Class

Achievement Award Winners

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	
11/01/19	Aoife-Rose	Eleithyia	Freya	Keira	Lucy D	Harrison	Масу	
	Ryan		Louie	Amaaya	Harry	Alice	Kami	
18/01/19	Kelci	Sameer	Amy	Milla	Aundreah	Nayah	Pia	
	Mei	Michael	Mason S	Alacia	Рорру	Ayaan Y	Alanna	
25/01/19	Samuel	Breagha	Ayaan	Ellie	Faith	Jaiden	Eleanor	
	Amine	Taaha	Emily	Dylan	Baylee	Niruja	Tishanna	

Apologies to Mei, in Foundation Stage, for spelling her name incorrectly last week.

The Head teacher's Award this week goes to Grace in Year 4 for her fabulous leaflet about the Nile River, completed as a home learning task – Well done!

Attendance

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
11/01/19	99%	98%	99%	99%	95%	98%	92%
18/01/19	94%	99%	99%	99%	99%	97%	100%
25/01/19	98%	97%	99%	92%	98%	98%	99%

Punctuality

Number of children arriving after 9.00am

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
11/01/19	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
18/01/19	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
25/01/19	1	1	1	1	1	0	0

House points for this week

	Beethoven	Mozart	Tchaikovsky	Elgar
11/01/19	474	608	549	527
18/01/19	205	240	203	220
25/01/19	137	226	144	138

Smart Raspberry Cooking Club

Unfortunately, the Smart Raspberry Cooking Club may have to be withdrawn due to lack of interest. We have until Wednesday to increase our numbers. Their information letter is attached to the end of this newsletter as is the Usports list of activities. Usports also have plenty of spaces in all classes.

Science Week February 4th – 8th

With Science Week fast approaching, we want to plant the area around our pond with pollinating plants and bulbs in order to further encourage wildlife. If anyone has any plants or bulbs they are willing to donate for the children to plant, it would be greatly appreciated.

Miss Brown can keep things stored/alive as necessary!

Phone Messages re: Illness

When leaving a message about a child's illness remember to explain a little about the symptoms. This will help us to monitor possible spread of illness in the school. Unwell or sick/poorly is not very helpful. We would once again remind you that although the Gateway is used for school to send messages and texts it is not monitored for school to receive texts. Please either email or phone with your queries or messages.

Health and Safety Reminders

Please could I remind you of the following:

If you are bringing your dog up to school at the end of the day these cannot be brought onto the Key Stage 2 playground and you will need to wait for your child at the front of the school.

At 3.25 when collecting children, Key Stage 1 parents should remain behind the yellow line to enable the teachers to identify parents and send their child to them; this is made more challenging if parents are standing too close.

It is not safe for children to play anywhere on the bank or wall at the top of Key Stage 1 either at the beginning or end of the day and we would therefore ask that you prevent your child from doing so.

School Uniform Supply

We have confirmed that My Clothing has 'taken over' the Tesco supplier UES. My Clothing is using the UES schools' administration team and trust it will be a smooth change over. Attached is the My Clothing leaflet along with the price list which currently matches UES. The only difference that we have noted is that My Clothing does not give Tesco Clubcard points.

Unclaimed Raffle Prizes

We have a number of Raffle prizes still waiting to be claimed. Please visit the school office as soon as possible to collect your prize.

No.05 Natasha Yr 3 No.06 Tina FS No.21 Lexie Yr 5 No.22 Dolby / Eleanor Yr 6 No.25 Ellie or Ely Yr 1

February Parents' Consultation Meetings

It has been necessary to make some changes to the normal pattern of these meetings. This means that:

Tuesday 12th February – appointments will be for all year groups from 5.45pm – 8.30pm Wednesday 13th February – appointments will be for FS, Y1, Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 from 3.45pm -6.30pm

Thursday 14th February – appointments for Y2 from 3.45pm – 6.30pm

Family Support Advisor

Jackie Boyce, our Family Support Advisor, will be hosting a Coffee Morning for an informal chat over a coffee at Loudwater School on the first Wednesday of every month from 9am to 10am.

6th February	6 th March
3 rd April	1 st May
5 th June	3 rd July

First session 6th February Self Care

Jackie is also running a group after School on a Wednesday for children and parents to learn Mindfulness techniques. If you are interested in these sessions or would like more information please contact Jackie through the School office 01494 524919, see the flier at the end of the newsletter or email jboyce@loudwater.bucks.sch.uk

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, 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.

LOUDWATER COMBINED SCHOOL Calendar of events for 2018-19

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February 1 st Davenies History Competition 4 th Choir Performance at the O2 4 th – 8 th Science Week 13 th Year 4 Trip to the Ashmolean 12 th , 13 th & 14th Parent/Teacher Consultations 18 th – 22 nd Half term break 25 th Return to School	March 5 th School Photographs 8 th Year 6 Hazard Alley 14 th Open Day (9.30 – 10.30 & 2.00 - 3.00) 15 th Red Nose Day 18 th -22 nd Shakespeare Week 25 th Shakespeare Workshop – Whole School 26 th & 28 th Parent/Teacher Consultations Y6	April 5 th School closes at 2pm for Easter Break 23 rd Training day for teachers 24 th Children return to School 30 th & 2 nd Parent/Teacher Consultations (FS-Y5)
May 30 th & 2 nd Parent/Teacher Consultations (FS-Y5) 6 th Bank Holiday 13 th Year 6 SATs Week 20 th Year 5 Assessment Week 24 th School Closed Training Day for teachers 27 th – 31 th Half term break	June 3 rd Children return to School 6 th – 10 th Science Week – Kew Gardens visit 6 th Open Day (9.30 – 10.30 & 2.00 - 3.00) 11 th – 14 th Year 6 Green Park Residential 28 th School closed training day for teachers	July 1 st – 5 th Assessment Week Y1, Y3 & Y4 2 nd Secondary School Induction Day (Y6) New Parents Meeting 5 th Annual Reports to Parents 12 th Sports Day – Greek Theme 17 th Reserve Sports Day 23 rd 7.00pmY6 Leavers Production 24 th 9.30am Y6 Leavers Presentation Assembly 24 th School closes at 2pm for summer break
Values Assemblies All Start at 9.05am 30 th January - Responsibility Y5 28 th February - Empathy Y3 27 th March - Compassion Y2 30 th April - Kindness Y6 23 rd May - Collaboration Y1 27 th June - Respect Y5 18 th July - Happiness FS	Class Assemblies Spring term All start at 9.05am 24 th January - Year Six 31 th January - Year Two 7 th February - Year Five 7 th March - Year One 14 th March - Year Three 21 st March - Year Four 28 th March - Foundation Stage	

FIRST SESSIONS 23rd and 26th JANUARY 2019

We are very excited to announce the start of our new Guitar Ensembles!



Playing in a group has so many benefits - sight reading, co-operation, teamwork, developing a musical style, performance skills, building confidence, plus lots more. And of course making new friends!

Open to everyone from 4 to 18, whether or not they are currently learning with Little Strummers.

We will cover a wide range of all styles of music.

Fees per week are £7.50 on Wednesdays (45 minutes) and £10 on Saturdays (one hour). In addition, there is a termly fee of £3.00 for music. Fees are payable termly in advance.

If you would like to reserve a place for your child, please let me know directly on <u>office@littlestrummers.co.uk</u>.

Please note that once booked, a half term's notice is required should your child wish to stop attending the Ensemble Group.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

Helen



Loudwater Combined School – Spring 2019 Clubs

Dear Parents/Guardians,

uSports are pleased to announce that we will be delivering the following after-school clubs at Loudwater Combined School for the spring term, starting w/b 14th January.

Football:

- Year 3-6 | Wednesdays | 3.15 4.20 | 10 Sessions
- Year 1-2 | Thursdays | 3.15 4.20 | 10 Sessions

Indoor Archery

• Year 2-6 | Tuesday | 3.15 – 4.20 | 10 Sessions

Multi Sports

• Year 1-2 | Wednesday | 3.15 – 4.20 | 10 Sessions

Prices:

After school clubs | £5.00 per session

All bookings can be made by:

1. Going to

https://usports.class4kids.co.uk/term/60/Loudwater+Combined+%257C+Spring+2019+

- 2. Scroll down to Loudwater Clubs
- 3. Click 'Book now' This will take you to our bookings page
- 4. Find the club for your child/children
- 5. Add your child's details
- 6. Pay (booking will not be confirmed until payment is made)

Kind Regards,

Charlie Hiscox

uSports

Twitter, Facebook and Instagram: @usports_ltd





Dear Parents,

My name is Helen Tucker and I currently run a Smart Raspberry cookery club at Loudwater Combined School on a Friday afterschool. I am now taking bookings for the cookery club starting Friday 25th January 2019. I have put the list of the scrummy recipes for you and your children to see, these are what the children will be making and learning about the ingredients that go into them.

Years 3-6 Friday: 25/01/19 to 29/03/19 £76.50 (9 classes) this includes all the ingredients used Time: 15.30 – 16.30

Some of the recipes we'll be making this term: Sundried Tomato & Mozzarella Cannelloni, Fruity Oat & Seed Bar, Chickpea Curry, Chocolate Marble Cake, Courgette & Tomato Slice, Chelsea Buns, Bulghar Wheat Salad, sticky ginger cake, Focaccia, Shortbread, Vegetable Filo Tart, and Lemon Cheesecake If you would like to book a place for your child, please contact the website: Smartraspberry.com/booking

Places are allocated on a first come first served basis, so book online now! If you have any questions please get in touch through the contact details.

Kind regards

Helen Tucker

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Coffee Mornings



Come and join me, Jackie, for an informal chat over a coffee at Loudwater School on the first Wednesday of every month from 9am to 10am.

6th February, 6th March, 3rd April, 1st May, 5th June, 3rd July

First session 6th February *Self Care*

It's easy to get caught up in the continuous cycle of work, sleep, and more work. After a while, your body screams in protest and demands you pay attention to its needs. Your body and mind deserve some rest. In just a few minutes a day you can find small ways to take care of yourself that don't cut into your busy schedule.

Here are 10+ ways to take care of yourself every day.

- 1. Exercise your body for a happy mind.
- 2. Quick morning meditation
- 3. Read a book or a magazine.
- 4. Call an old friend.
- 5. Schedule time for yourself.
- 6. Unplug from technology.
- 7. Take a pre-made meal to eat for lunch.
- 8. Get enough sleep.
- 9. Make your weekend about you, not work.
- 10. Remind yourself that you are fabulous.



For more information contact me through the School office,

Jackie Boyce Family Support Advisor

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