

Loudwater Combined School

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LOUDWATER NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

Important Calendar Dates

24th to 28th October – Half Term holiday
31st October – 4th November – Foundation Stage on the tyre park – please bring wellies
Wednesday 2nd November – Flu vaccinations for Years 1,2 and 3
Thursday 3rd November – Open Day 9.00 - 10.00am and 2.00 – 3.00pm
Thursday 3rd November – FOLS AGM at 7.00pm

News from the classes this week:

Foundation Stage

In Foundation Stage this week the children have been finding out about the artist Chris Ofili. He was the first black artist to win the Turner Prize in 1998. They were surprised to discover that he used elephant dung on some of his paintings! They shared their learning about Chris Ofili in assembly. Foundation Stage has continued their learning about the seasons and have been counting up to and back from 20. To round off their topic 'About Ourselves' the children have used our 5 senses to see, hear, smell, touch and taste a range of items.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/topics/autumn Lots of Autumn activities and video clips

Year One

In English, Year 1 has enjoyed reading 'We're going on a Lion Hunt' by David Axtell. They enjoyed predicting the end of the story and had some very interesting ideas. They have also been focusing on the setting of the story and using adjectives to describe it. In Maths, Year 1 has been learning about odd and even numbers and they have been sorting 1 and 2 digit numbers into odd and even. They have also been sequencing events in order of time. They sorted the things they do into morning, afternoon, evening and night. In Topic, the children really enjoyed learning about the explorer Matthew Henson as part of Black History Month. They found the North Pole on a globe and thought about the things he might have seen on his journey. They also made a timeline to show how they had changed since they were born.

www.doorwayonline.org.uk/number/oddandeven

Year Two

This week Year 2 has been celebrating Black History Month by learning about the writer and poet Benjamin Zephaniah. They have learned facts about him and read his poetry. Also, they have performed his poems 'Nature Trail' and 'Who's Who'. After performing and reading the poems they took the poem structure and changed the vocabulary to write their own versions. In Maths they have been revisiting their learning from this half term and applying the strategies learned in a new context. In Topic they have been looking at the painting 'Carnival of the Harlequin' by Joan Miro and recreating their own version. In Phonics they have been learning to add suffixes beginning with a consonant such as ment, less and ful.

http://www.amblesideprimary.com/ambleweb/mentalmaths/numberbond.html

Year Three

In English, Year 3 has been working really hard on end of unit tests. They have been including conjunctions and adjectives when writing a setting description of a volcano. In Maths, Year 3 has been looking at multiplication and division facts. They have been focusing on their 4 and 8 times tables, finding patterns to help them. Towards the end of the week the children learnt about how multiplication is commutative and how arrays might help them work out their times tables. In Topic, Year 3 has been finding out about African American women who were employed by NASA in the 1940s and what life was like for them. They have been looking at a variety of rocks to see if they are permeable, how durable, hard or soft they are.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/materials/rocks_soils/read/1/

Year Four

Year 4 has been completing assessments in Maths and English this week. They have been writing a recount of an event that has happened in the past focusing on vocabulary to make it exciting and interesting. The children are working on their fronted adverbials, varied conjunctions and use of paragraphs. In Maths, they are exploring concepts around multiplication. This month has been Black History Month and the children have been learning about Louis Armstrong prior to giving a presentation about him in the assembly on Thursday. They have made mobiles based around food webs with predators, prey and consumers.

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/living things/plant animal habitats/read/1/

Year Five

This week Year 5 has been working hard on their half termly progress assessments. They have completed assessments in reading, maths, grammar, punctuation and spelling. In English, they have been writing a diary entry describing a day at Willy Wonka's chocolate factory from the point of view of one of the children who visited it and came to a sticky end! In Maths, Year 5 has started a new unit which explores the properties of shapes and angles. They have been identifying and classifying different shapes and relearning some of the key vocabulary such as acute, obtuse and reflex angles, polygons and regular and irregular shapes. In Topic, Year 5 has been testing different materials to see which are good conductors and insulators of heat, electricity and magnetism. http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/materials/

Year Six

In Maths, Year 6 has been practising their division skills using the formal written methods of long and short division. They have also been interpreting the remainder by whole number remainders, fractions and decimals. In Topic, they have been researching historical places to visit in the High Wycombe area, such as Hughenden Manor, Hell Fire Caves and St. Lawrence Church. They have also completed a range of end of half term assessment tests.

<u>www.sciencekids.co.nz/humanbody</u> - Great pre-reading for next half term's topic – Being Human

Headteacher's Award

This week, Mrs. Cunnington's Gold Award goes to Jessica Harpin in Year 6. Well done!

Citizens of the month for October

Foundation Stage	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Tyler Howland	Adna Adebulugbe	Nate Weber	Amelia Jaroszewska	Macy Bridle	Kiona Robinson	Beth Andrews

Achievement Award Winners

	Foundation Stage	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
9.9.16		Lilly Weedon	Oscar Leary	Alice Wyatt	Breanna Carter	Leah Bunce	Liam Cleland
16.9.16		Samuel Barton	Grace Wise	Nikhil Kumar	Eleanor Andrews	Lee Bampton	Liam Noble
23.9.16		Amber Burnham	Gio Panayiotou	Oliver Stevens	Madison Anns	Runo Apochi	James Steeples
30.9.16		Dylan Lambourne	Nate Weber	Amelia Jaroszewska	Tristan Robinson	Oliver Fiander	Marius Yearwood
7.10.16	Whole Class	George Springle	Jacob Worthington	Joshua Hawkins	Gabrielle Sarl	Aaron Patel	Chelsea Newell
14.10.16	Jacob Philpot	Blake Clarke	Paige Fish	Teyha Richards	Jennifer Billing	Lexie Ridgwell	Beth Andrews
21.10.16	Maya Marzana	Reece Anns	Xandros O'Connor	Ayaan Younis	Francesca Cohn	Keeley Patterson	Tianne Shurety- Muturi

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9.9.16		Lily Rees- Curphey Reece Anns	Amelie Wakelin Baylee Seymour	Thomas Sheppard Lara Sohrabian	Francesca Cohn Joshua Timberlake	Muqeet Ahmed Arianne Johnson	Jake Green Beth Andrews
16.9.16		Adna Adegbulug be Keira Ryan	Romilly Scouse- Davies Nate Weber	Harrison Clarke Amelia Jaroszewska	Tyler Merry Ella Green	Alice Betts Luke Golton	Amy Randall Grace Leary
23.9.16		Ellie Badger Raza Akhtar	Kobee Barszcz Lucy Deane	Sri Addada Nayah Allen	Max Floyd Jennifer Billing	Aaron Patel Sarah Fedorowicz	Remy Bashir Teagan Burnham
30.9.16		Charlie Ayres Natasha Zielinska	Xandros O'Connor Urzula Bauza	Oliver Stevens Alice Wyatt	Joshua Robinson Ell Lewis	Luke Golton Maya Ghailan	Tiah Barszcz Emma Merry
7.10.16	Tegan Andrews Ciaran Cleland	Blake Clarke Milla Smith	Ryan Davey Faith Yearwood	James Cohn Teyha Richards	Shannon Ryan Jack Stevens	Lilly Coope Oscar Browning	Malva Collinao Pierce Archie Millar
14.10.16	Dexter Nicola Shayley Vaux	Rachel Coope Alacia Yearwood	Joseph Timson Grace Wise	Jessica Billing Lily Cleere- Horwood	Stanley Staines Eleanor Andrews	Lee Bampton Maia Banaszkiewicz	Liam Cleland Karolina Kukhta
21.10.16	Jacob Ruzgar Emily Rusu	Samuel Barton Hollie Perrem	Afia Ditta Oscar Leary	Amy Avery Ryan Cleland	Shay Barszcz Rosie Brewer	Erin Timberlake Lee Bampton	Chelsea Newell James Steeples

Attendance

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
9.9.16		99%	99%	98%	100%	100%	98%
16.9.16	98%	98%	99%	95%	98%	98%	98%
23.9.16	97%	98%	99%	99%	98%	98%	98%
30.9.16	96%	91%	98%	100%	98%	95%	90%

7.10.16	98%	99%	97%	99%	96%	99%	100%
14.10.16	99%	98%	99%	97%	99%	99%	96%
21.10.16	98%	96%	98%	94%	99%	97%	95%

Punctuality

Number of children arriving after 9.00am

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
9.9.16		0	2	0	1	2	1
16.9.16	0	0	2	1	0	1	0
23.9.16	0	3	0	0	0	2	1
30.9.16	0	0	2	1	0	1	0
7.10.16	0	0	0	2	0	2	1
14.10.16	0	1	0	0	0	3	1
21.10.16	0	0	0	0	1	2	0

House points for the week

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	Elgar	Beethoven	Tchaikovsky	Mozart
23.9.16	449 (3 rd)	395 (4 th)	455 (2 nd)	488 (1 st)
30.9.16	112 (4 th)	156 (3 rd)	183 (2 nd)	209 (1 st)
7.10.16	56 (3 rd)	59 (2 nd)	68 (1 st)	55 (4 th)
14.10.16	184 (3 rd)	198 (1 st)	186 (2 nd)	139 (4 th)
21.10.16	194 (3 rd)	211 (2 nd)	214 (1 st)	191 (4 th)



Year 4 Quick Sticks Hockey Team: Tyler, Shay, Joshua, Ashley, Kamileshia, Pia

On Wednesday 19th October Loudwater School took part in a Quick Sticks Hockey competition at John Hampden Grammar School. We started slowly, drawing the first game 3-3 against High Wycombe and taking a loss 3-1 against Great Kingshill 1 and Highworth 1. We then won against Kingswood 7-0 and Highworth 2 3-0. The last couple of games were really close seeing the children draw with Disralei 1-1 and beat Great Kingshill 2 1-0. Well done to all the children who played.



Beethoven – Jessica, Mahlee, George, Luke, Chelsea, Nathan Mozart – Beth, Leah, Aaron, Maddie Elgar – Jake, Oscar, Erin, Tchaikovsky – Emma, George, Tianne, Teagen, Stefan

On Thursday lunchtime some Year 5 and 6 children took part in a lunchtime inter-house Hockey competition. All the houses played each other with some fantastic enthusiasm and sportsmanship throughout. Mozart came 4^{th} with 3 points, both Tchaikovsky and Elgar came joint 2^{nd} with 4 points and Beethoven took 1^{st} with 6 points. Well done to all those who played!

Uniform Reminders

- As the weather is becoming colder, children are able to bring track suit trousers to wear for outdoor PE
- It would also be advisable for children to have trainers for outdoor PE and a pair of plimsolls to wear indoors
- Earrings must be taken out or covered with micro-pore tape for PE (parents will need to provide tape)
- When children's PE lessons are indoors, they will need to wear shorts for these sessions
- Tights must not be worn for PE
- All children must wear black shoes. Ankle boots are not part of school uniform. If the weather is bad children may come to school wearing wellington boots which they can also wear at break-times. School shoes should be brought to change into.
- Dark grey or black trousers and skirts should be worn; leggings should not be worn.
- Socks should either be white, grey or black and should be plain.
- If girls wish to wear tights these should be grey.
- All items of uniform, including PE kits, should be named.
- Jewellery should not be worn to school; however plain stud ear-rings and wrist watches are allowed.
- Summer dresses should not now be worn.

Parents' Forum

Our next parents' forum meeting will take place on Wednesday 16th November at 7.00pm. Everyone is welcome to attend the meeting and if you have any items you would like to include on the agenda, please contact your class representative or the school office. These items should be of a general nature and not specific to your child – items such as these should be raised immediately with your child's class teacher.

Year 1	Shelley Sheppard
Year 2	Kelly Sears
Year 3	Lauren Whiting
Year 4	Kelly Greenlee
Year 5	Barbara Robinson
Year 6	Steve Andrews

If anyone would like to be the class representative for Foundation Stage you would be very welcome to volunteer for this role at the meeting. Similarly if anyone would like to share the role with one of the current class representatives, this is something which we could arrange.

Introducing... our new school logo!



As we mentioned last week, we are delighted to unveil our brand new school logo! This has been a joint collaboration between school and FOLS and a great example of how working together brings great results that benefit everyone. The logo retains all the core elements of the current version that represents our heritage and values, but in a sleeker modern style that will be more readily reproducible. Of course, there are a large number of materials on which the logo appears, from letters to the website, uniforms to book bags and all sorts in between, so it will take time for the new logo to replace the old. This phased approach means that all items with longevity (such as uniforms) can continue to carry the existing logo for the life of the item – there will be absolutely no need to replace any items until they have served their useful life span.

FOLS will also be taking on the new logo, strengthening the links between the school, the charity and the local community who give their support.



Many thanks to Arran and Kelly Wise (parents of Grace in Year 2), who have generously given their time and expertise in developing the new design.

FOLS Annual General Meeting - 3rd November at 7pm

Ever thought of standing as a FOLS committee member?

Interested to see how FOLS works and how funds raised benefit the school, but not ready to be on the committee?

Keen to get to know some other parents?

We can help! Come to the FOLS AGM and cheese & refreshment evening!

You will find a flyer attached to this newsletter giving you more details of the event. All parents are automatically FOLS members by definition of their child attending Loudwater School and all are welcome.

FOLS Lottery

The winner of the FOLS lottery draw this month is Leanne Vaux who wins £14.50. Congratulations!

Admissions Policy

As a Foundation School we are required to consult on our Admissions Policy every 7 years. Our admissions policy for 2018 has not changed and can be found on the school website: http://www.loudwater.eschools.co.uk/website/admission to loudwater school/238091

Half Term Activities

Attached to this newsletter is a flier giving details of the events being held at the Roald Dahl Children's Gallery during half term. You will also find details of events happening over the half term holiday if you follow the link

https://www.bucksfamilyinfo.org/kb5/buckinghamshire/fsd/advice.page?id=Ko1fDv61C7Y&=

Flackwell Heath Village Bonfire Association

The Flackwell Heath Scout Group, the Carrington School Parents' Associating and Friends of Juniper Hill School will be running the annual Bonfire and Firework Evening on November 5^{th} starting at 6.00pm. We have agreed to sell tickets on their behalf in the school office. The price is £5.00 per ticket, with under 5s free. For any tickets we sell the school will receive 50p.

Yours faithfully

Mrs C Cunnington Headteacher

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.

LOUDWATER COMBINED SCHOOL

Calendar of events for 2016-17

September 5 th Children return to School 6 th Foundation Stage children start school 13 th 11+ Practice Paper (Y6) Open House 3.30 -4.00 15 th 11+ Papers (Y6) 16 th Roald Dahl dress up day Week beginning 12 th – Clubs Start 29 th Open Day 9.30-10.30am & 2-3pm 30 th McMillan Coffee Morning December 1 st Open Day 9-10 am & 2-3 pm 9 th Christmas Bazaar 3pm-5pm 13 th 9.30am Key Stage 1	October 14 th 11+ Results (Y6) 18 th & 20 th Parent/Teacher Consultations 21 st Mufti day for Cancer Research & spooky cake sale 24 th - 28 th Half term break 31 st Return to school Last day to apply for secondary school places (Y6) January 4 th Training day for teachers 5 th Children return to School	November 3 rd Open Day 3 rd FOLS AGM 7pm 16 th Parents' Forum 7pm 18 th Children in Need February 7 th & 9 th Parent/Teacher Consultations 13 th - 17 th Half term break
Christmas Production 14 th 2.15pm Key Stage 1 Christmas Production 15 th Key Stage 2 Christmas Production 2.15pm & 7pm 19 th Christmas Service 10am Christmas Activities pm 20 th School closes at 2pm for Christmas break	Anvil	20 th Return to School
March 24 th Red Nose Day FOLS discos for pupils 29 th & 30 th Parent/Teacher Consultations for Y6 31 st School closes at 2pm for Easter Break	April 18 th Children return to School 25 th & 27 th Parent/Teacher Consultations for FS – Y5	May 1st Bank Holiday 8th Year 6 SATs Week 15th & 22nd Assessment Weeks (all other year groups) 18th – Open Day 9-10 am & 2-3 pm 22nd – 25th Y6 Residential visit 26th School Closed Training Day for teachers 29th-2nd Half term break
5 th Children return to School 29 th Open Day 9.30-10.30am & 2-3 pm 30 th School closed teacher training day	July 4 th Secondary Induction Day (Y6) New Parents Meeting 7 th Annual Reports to Parents 14 th FOLS discos for pupils 20 th 7.00pm Y6 Leavers Production 21 st 9.30am Y6 Leavers Presentation Assembly 21 st School closes at 2pm for summer break	

Class Assemblies Spring term 9.05 start

19th January - Year Six 26th January - Year Two 2nd February - Year Five 2nd March - Year One 9th March – Year Three 16th March – Year Four 23rd March - Foundation Stage

Values Assemblies 9.05

29th September – Trust Y6

24th November – Peace Y3

15th December – Thoughtfulness Y5

31st January – Responsibility Y3 28th February – Empathy Y5

30th March – Forgiveness Y2

27th April – Kindness Y6

25th May – Collaboration Y1 29th June – Respect Y4

19th July – Happiness FS