

Loudwater Combined School

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Dear Parents,

Important Calendar Dates

Choir singing at the O2 – Monday 29th January Year 3 Values Assembly – Wednesday 31st January 9.00am Year 5 Class Assembly - Thursday 1st February 9.00am

News from the classes this week:

Foundation Stage

In Foundation Stage this week we have heard the story of 'The Enormous Turnip'. Having enjoyed the story we decided to make some turnip soup of our own. We all helped to make it and most of us thought it tasted delicious. We also noted that as it was full of vegetables, it was a very healthy meal. The children have written out the recipe and can explain how we made the soup. We have also used turnips in all our counting activities this week and we have sung 'Ten Tiny Turnips', which has been adapted from the 'Ten Green Bottles' song. We have also made Grandma's cottage in our role play area and the children have been acting out the story of' Little Red Riding Hood'.

https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk Phase 2 activities.

Year One

In English this week we have been enjoying the story of 'Maximus and the Beanstalk'. We have been comparing the character of Maximus to the giant in 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We used some super adjectives to describe him. We also wrote a book review of this story. In Maths Year 1 has been very busy focussing on our number bonds to 10 and 20 this week. We have enjoyed matching pairs of numbers and using the cubes to check if they do add up to 10 or 20. In topic Year 1 has been sequencing the lifecycle of a tree. We have also been using the paint programme to draw and label flowering plants and trees. http://www.ictgames.com/forestPhonics/fullV_public/index.html

Year Two

In Year 2, this week, we have been enjoying the short film text 'Bubbles'. We have written a review of the film, described the setting, role played new ideas and created similes to describe the objects in the film. In Phonics, we have been learning to read and write words ending in y, but making the sound i. In Maths, we have been learning how to add 2-digit numbers using partitioning and the empty number line. Our Topic work, this week, has been practising for our class assembly and learning about the different teeth we have in our mouths and the jobs they do.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/7_8/teeth_eating.shtml

Year Three

This week, Year 3 has been busy! In English, we have been continuing to improve our imaginative description by writing our own diary entries from the perspective of the Horseman. As well, we have been showing how we can edit and revise our previous writing. Currently we are just finishing a recount writing of 'Storm', where we planned out exactly

what we were going to write. In Maths, we completed a unit of work on whole number place value, and dipped our toes into some fractions and decimal work. This coming week, we will continue to learn about different fractions (halves, quarters, thirds, and tenths). In P.E. we created our own African style dance and taught it to a partner. In topic, we have been focusing on writing a letter to a pen pal in Canada. We have planned, created a rough draft, revised, and are currently rewriting this letter. We are very excited about this letter, and are happy to tell our new pen pals about how awesome the UK is! https://www.weareteachers.com/fun-with-fractions-7-tactile-and-kinesthetic-games/

Year Four

During English we have read chapter 2 of 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' and thought about what could happen next, after it ended on a cliff-hanger. We have planned and written chapter 3 thinking about how Lila could get off the boat and escape the pirates. While writing this chapter we have focused on how we can include correctly punctuated speech in our writing and include a range of descriptive phrases. During maths we have been looking at applying written and mental methods of addition and subtraction. We have found differences in distance and used the column method of addition and subtraction to calculate these differences. We have also had a focus on mental calculations to find the difference between two times and solve problems for time. During Topic we had great fun on Monday turning cream into butter by placing the cream in a jar and shaking it! This was part of our investigations into changing states of matter (liquid into a solid). We have written up step-by-step how this process happens. We have also begun to research irreversible changes in states of matter.

https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/269/Addition-Crystal-Crash

Year Five

This week in English, Year Five has been recreating some of the key scenes from Oranges in 'No Man's Land'. We have then used these to interview each other and write recounts from a character's perspective about Ayesha crossing 'No man's Land'. We have also been busily writing our class assembly, ready for next week. In maths, Year Five has been exploring fractions. We have been ordering and comparing fractions with the same denominators, and denominators which are multiples of the same number. We have also started to use division to simplify fractions. In Topic lessons, Year Five has been learning about the spread of the Roman Empire and using maps top identify which modern day countries were conquered by Rome.

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/PlayPop.aspx?a=activity07

Year Six

In English this week, we have continued to use the 'Eye of the Storm' film as our stimulus for writing. We have written a ship's log and have used personification to write a description of the weather. We have begun to plan our stories that we are going to write next week when the pilot travels through the eye of the storm. Our grammar focus has been identifying and writing statements, questions, commands and exclamations. In Maths, we have been using negative numbers in context and solving multi-step problems. We have also been rounding decimal numbers to the nearest hundredth and tenth and have been using algebraic formula to find the nth term of a sequence. In Topic we have been exploring and writing the Mayan creation story and have been investigating the Mayan number system.

https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/history/mayans/

Achievement Award Winners

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	Foundation Stage	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
12.01.18	Ruby	Jacob R	Amber	Amelie	Ayaan Y	Paris	Skye
19.01.18	Sameer	Joshua	Leah	Grace	Nayah	Kayin	Whole Class
26.01.18	Kacee George	Maya	Dylan	Рорру	Alice	Shay	Charlotte

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
12.01.18	Alice	Amy	Lily	Mason	Ryan	Kayin	Rhys
	Evan	Shayley	Munopa	Urszula	Teyha	Hewa	Charlotte
19.01.18	Charlie	Tegan	Raza	Lucy	Jessica	Louie	Sarah
	Kata	Atharva	Chloe	Ryan	Dominic	Alanna	Maia
26.01.18	John	Tegan	Natasha	Amber	Alice	Stanley	Alice
	Eleithyia	Ciaran	Charlie	Faith	Romisha	Gabrielle	Maya

Attendance

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
12.01.18	100%	98%	95%	100%	93%	95%	98%
19.01.18	98%	99%	95%	93%	97%	96%	100%
26.01.18	98%	95%	91%	97%	99%	97%	99%

Punctuality

Number of children arriving after 9.00am

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
12.01.18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
19.01.18	1	1	2	1	1	0	2
26.01.18	2	1	4	3	6	3	3

House points for this week

	Elgar	Beethoven	Tchaikovsky	Mozart
12.01.18	315	275	272	313
19.01.18	221	209	174	195
26.01.18	262	191	253	226

The **Head teacher's Award** this week goes to; Breagha for super writing - well done!

After School Clubs

Unfortunately, the Tag Rugby after school club is no longer available. It has been withdrawn from our list of activities due to the lack of interest. Football will restart in the warmer, lighter evenings.

Choir O2 Performance - update

All choir parents should now have received an information letter outlining the timetable for the O2 performance on Monday. Please note, the £18.00 contribution towards your child's travel costs may be made through the Gateway.

Year 6 Hazard Alley

Year 6 will again be visiting the Hazard Alley Safety Centre, Milton Keynes on Friday February 23rd. A covering letter has already been sent out this week giving all the necessary details. The Gateway is now open for the £11.00 contribution and consent.

FOLS Lottery Winner – January 2018

This month's lottery winner is Annabel Balderson. Congratulations! Please visit the office to collect your cheque.

FOLS lottery - are you signed up?

You have another chance to sign up for the FOLS lottery! Just £6 to enter for the second half of this academic year (six draws) and the chance to win half the monthly prize fund. The remaining funds go to FOLS.

Please log on to School Gateway to sign up, or ask in the office for paper forms for friends and family. Open to all parents, family members and friends of the school.

Loudwater School Ofsted Report

You will remember that our school was visited by Mr Matthew Newberry from Ofsted on 10^{th} January and we are now able to share his report with you. The letter written as a result of his visit is attached to the newsletter.

We were pleased with the outcome where the Inspector recognised that our school continues to offer a good standard of education to all our pupils. He identified how well the school had progressed since the last inspection. We are always looking to build on these improvements and he was in agreement with the areas that we need to address next. We felt that he had taken time to get to know our school; recognising the great attitudes children have towards their learning, the pride they take in their school and the hard work of all staff and the governing body.

We feel that the report speaks for itself – please take time to have a read.

Yours faithfully

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Mrs C Cunnington Head teacher

Newsletter, consent forms and payments

We are now only sending out the newsletter via email so do please ensure that you inform the office of your current email address if you have not already done so – contact: office@loudwater.bucks.sch.uk

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

March	January 31st Values Assembly Y3 April	February 7 th & 8 th Parent/Teacher Consultations 12 th – 16 th Half term break 19 th Return to School 28 th Values Assembly Y2 May
22 nd Open Day (9.30 – 10.30 & 2.00-3.00) 23 rd Red Nose Day 27 th & 28 th Parent/Teacher Consultations Y6 28 th Values Assembly Y5 29 th School closes at 2pm for Easter Break	16 th Children return to School 25 th & 26 th Parent/Teacher Consultations (FS-Y5)	3 rd Values Assembly Y4 7 th Bank Holiday 10 th Open Day (9.30 – 10.30 & 2.00-3.00) 14 th Year 6 SATs Week 21 st Year 5 Assessment Week 24 th Values Assembly Y5 25 th School Closed Training Day for teachers 28 th – 1 st Half term break
June 4st Children return to School 11th -14th Residential Visit to Green Park Y6 21st Open Day (9.30 – 10.30 & 2.00-3.00) 28th Values Assembly FS 29th School closed teacher training day	July 3 rd Secondary School Induction Day (Y6) New Parents Meeting 6 th Annual Reports 12 th Sports Day 14 th Summer Fete 17 th Reserve Sports Day 19 th Values Assembly Y6 23 rd 7.00pm Y6 Leavers Production 24 th 9.30am Y6 Leavers Presentation Assembly 24 th School closes at 2pm for summer break	Class Assemblies Spring term 9.05 Start 18 th January - Year Six 25 th January - Year Two 1 st February - Year Five 22 nd February - Year One 8 th March - Year Three 15 th March - Year Four 22 nd March - Foundation Stage

Clubs organised by an outside provider

Monday 3.30 – 4.30	Dance Club	Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	PE kit needed. Maximum of 20 children There will be a cost for this club. Please book online at www.premier-education.com
Tuesday 3.30 - 4.30	Dodge Ball	Years 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6	PE kit needed. Maximum of 20 children There will be a cost for this club. Please book online at www.fabacademy.co.uk
Wednesday 3.30 - 4.30	Play Active Club	Years FS, 1 & 2	PE kit needed. Maximum of 20 children There will be a cost for this club. Please book online at www.premier-education.com
Friday 3.30 - 4.30	Smart Raspberry Cooking Club	Y1 - Y6	Maximum of 12 children There will be a cost for this club. Please book online at helentucker@smartraspberry.com



FAB Academy will be providing Loudwater Primary School with a **Year 2-6 Dodgeball club on a Tuesday.**

The club will allow pupils to participate in a variety of different dodgeball games throughout the 7 week course.

The session dates are as follows:

Jan 2018 3.20pm-	Feb 2018 3.20pm-	March 2018 3.20pm-	In total of:
4.30pm	4.30pm	4.30pm	
	06/02/18	06/03/18	
	20/02/18	13/03/18	
30/01/18	27/02/18	20/03/18	
			Total £31.50

Numbers are limited, if your child would like to participate, please go to our website www.fabacademy.co.uk then click on the 'Book Now' tab and then find Loudwater Primary Dodgeball Club. The club comes at a cost of £4.50 per session.

Half Term holiday activities:















FLACKWELL FOOTBALL CAMP



February Half Term

Its back! This February Half Term, Flackwell Heath's Football Camp will be returning by popular demand! The camp caters for both boys and girls aged 5-12 years and will run from **9am-4pm daily**. We aim to offer parents a cost effective and reliable form of childcare throughout the half term whilst making sure your children have the half term to remember!



With highly qualified football coaches running the camp, prizes available and lots of fun skills and drills, you can be sure that your child will thoroughly enjoy themselves whilst learning new skills in football, at Flackwell Heath Football Camp!



See all details below:

- •Tuesday 13th Thursday 15th February 2018 (3 Days)
- •Days will consist between 9am -4pm @ Green Dragon Lane football ground (HP10 9LD)
- •Small charge of £20 per a day
- •Discounted prices of £50 for 3 Days
- Children will need a packed lunch for each day
 Deadline for booking Friday 9th February 2018





If you are interested, please email flackwellfootballcamps@gmail.com

