



Loudwater Combined School

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LOUDWATER NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

Important Calendar Dates

Friday October 19th – School Closes at normal time for Half Term Break

October 22nd – 26th Half term break

Monday October 29th - Return to school

Wednesday October 31st – Year 6 - Last day to apply for Secondary School places

Friday November 2nd – Whole School WW1 Workshops (see below – no hot meals on this day)

News from the classes this week:

Foundation Stage

In Foundation Stage this week we have been learning about bones. We have heard more "Funnybones" stories and have met Simon the Skeleton. Unfortunately he has been "borrowing" the bones that we have been counting, and we have had to go on a bone hunt and re-order the bones on our number line. We have also made Funnybones music and made play dough bones. We have drawn skeletons on black paper with chalk and we have labelled pictures of our bodies and of the skeleton.

www.phonicsplay.co.uk/Phase2Menu.htm

Year One

We have had great fun in English this week! As a class we made a list to explain what we would need if we had a rumpus like Max and the Wild Things. We also wrote an invitation asking our friends if they would like to come to a rumpus. Following instructions has also been a focus this week. We had to follow instructions to make jelly and jam sandwiches. We also had to order these instructions. In maths it has been a busy week subtracting! We have been using practical apparatus, pictures and number lines to help us subtract. We also solved some subtraction problems. This week, in topic, we have been learning more about the artist Pablo Picasso. We looked at more of his abstract portraits and then created our own abstract portraits of our family and friends. We also learnt about the 4 countries that make up the UK. We learnt that the UK is an island and what this means.

<http://www.ictgames.com/funkyMummy/index.html> (choose the number bonds to 10 option)

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/PicnicOnPluto.html> (select phase 2 or 3)

Year Two

This week, in Year 2, we have been continuing our learning about 'The Great Fire of London'. We have written the remaining chapters of our information text and added a front cover and blurb. We have also included a contents page! In Phonics, we have begun to learn the rules for adding suffixes beginning with a consonant such as -ful, -less and -ly. In Maths, we have begun to use our knowledge of number bonds to explore addition and subtraction facts. For example, if you know $12 + 8 = 20$, you also know $8 + 12 = 20$, $20 - 8 = 12$ and $20 - 12 = 8$. In addition to our in school learning, we had a very educational

and enjoyable day at Wycombe Museum, learning about toys dating back to the Victorian era. The lady at the museum was very complimentary about the manners of the children and their super knowledge! Well done Year 2!

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/articles/z8hyfrd>

Year Three

In English this week we have been writing reports about Mount Vesuvius. We discussed and planned our writing at the beginning of the week, leading to some excellent, imaginative writing to end. In Maths, we have been looking at adding 3 digit numbers using the extended column method. To start the week we looked at exchanging using place value counters and then moved onto more formal methods. In Topic, we have been learning about the differences between Northern and Southern Italy. We have also been labelling places in Italy using atlases. Towards the end of the week, we completed an investigation on different types of rocks.

<https://ttrockstars.com/login>

Year Four

In English this week, Year Four has been writing non-chronological reports about our own invented creatures in the style of Arthur Spiderwick. We have edited, improved and published these as 'Year Four's Field Guide to the Fantastical World Around You'. In maths this week, we have been developing our understanding of the formal written methods for addition and subtraction, through concrete and pictorial representations. We have started to apply this knowledge to problem solving and reasoning tasks. In topic lessons, Year Four has been learning about the effects of deforestation and the devastating impact this has on the world's rainforests. We have also created persuasive information leaflets, in order to make others aware of this issue.

<https://kids.britannica.com/kids/article/deforestation/443116>

Year Five

This week in English, Year Five has been looking at different people's experiences of being evacuated. We have read and analysed different letters and have now written our own letters home, imagining that we have been sent away to the countryside. In maths, we have been continuing to use mental and written methods for addition and subtraction. We have been applying these skills to solve problems with more than one step, missing numbers, and using the inverse operation. In topic lessons, we have been practising some World War Two songs which we will perform at the end of November at Wright's Meadow Community Centre. We have also been learning about the scientific process of dissolving, and have investigated the solubility of different substances.

World War Two History Cook Book!

<http://cookit.e2bn.org/historycookbook/index-20-world-war-2.html>

Year Six

In English this week we have created advertisements to persuade people to visit Norway. We have used stunning images of the landscape and a range of rhetorical devices to convince readers that it is the best place to visit. We have also started to develop our own autobiographical story inspired by Roald Dahl. In our Grammar sessions, we have been learning about the use of pronouns and have been consolidating our understanding of speech punctuation. Our spelling focus has been words with a 'shul' sound, spelt -tial. In Maths, we have been using the formal written method of long multiplication to solve calculations with up to 4 digits multiplied by a two digit number. We have also been developing our use of different mental strategies when solving multiplication and division calculations involving larger numbers eg 101×30 and $5600 \div 80$. In Topic, we have been how light travels.

Website: - KS2 Bitesize Science – Light and Dark

Achievement Award Winners

| | Year One | Year Two | Year Three | Year Four | Year Five | Year Six |
|----------|----------|----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 05.10.18 | Sameer | Jacob R | Lily R-C | Joseph | Nayah | Gabrielle |
| 12.10.18 | Alice | Benjamin | Rachel | Amelie | Riley | Louie |
| 19.10.18 | Evan | Ella | Blake | Grace | Sri | Francesca |

The Head teacher award this week goes to Year 2 for being very knowledgeable on their trip to Wycombe Museum as well as impressing the staff there with their excellent manners – well done!

Congratulations also go to Romilly for gaining her Pen Licence.

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

| | Year One | Year Two | Year Three | Year Four | Year Five | Year Six |
|----------|-------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|
| 05.10.18 | Ruby Lara | Tegan Ruben | Adna Reece | Xandros Keira | Oliver Romisha | Rosie Jack |
| 12.10.18 | Kacee Tilly | Caitlin Raya | Raza Munopa | Faith Kobee | Sri Jessica | Shannon Shay |
| 19.10.18 | John Rose | Stanley Shayley | Charlie Ellie | Mason Lucy S | Amaya James | Ella Kayin |

Attendance

| | Foundation Stage | Year One | Year Two | Year Three | Year Four | Year Five | Year Six |
|----------|------------------|----------|----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| 05.10.18 | 98% | 99% | 96% | 98% | 98% | 98% | 93% |
| 12.10.18 | 94% | 100% | 100% | 99% | 98% | 99% | 96% |
| 19.10.18 | 96% | 98% | 96% | 93% | 99% | 96% | 96% |

Punctuality

Number of children arriving after 9.00am

| | Foundation Stage | Year One | Year Two | Year Three | Year Four | Year Five | Year Six |
|----------|------------------|----------|----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| 05.10.18 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 12.10.18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 19.10.18 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 2 |

House points for this week

| | Elgar | Beethoven | Tchaikovsky | Mozart |
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| 05.10.18 | 137 | 145 | 139 | 134 |
| 12.10.18 | 104 | 80 | 84 | 121 |
| 19.10.18 | 92 | 88 | 85 | 124 |

Bikeability-Years Five and Six

A cycle training course will be run at the school on: November 29th, 30th and December 3rd. Level 2 Bikeability takes place on local roads, giving your child a real cycling experience. Children will be taught how to deal with traffic on short journeys. This course is part funded by Bucks County Council and open to Years 5 and 6. The children will receive a Bikeability Talk on November 9th and further details will be provided after this.

Bonfire Tickets

Flackwell Heath Village Bonfire Association has once again requested our help in selling tickets for this popular event. There are two firework displays, the first smaller one starts at 6.45 pm and this is for the younger members of your family. The Main event, bigger and

louder, starts after a short break. There is a Tea Tent with food and a best 'Guy' competition. You may order and pay for your tickets on the Gateway at a cost of £5.00 each, under 5's are free.

FOLS: New-look Update

We have added a separate attachment from the FOLS team with details of forthcoming events. Information about this month's Bags 2 School collection and Spooky Cake Sale are in this week's edition. Please do support them by taking the time to read through each week.

Parking for Pick up/Drop off and all clubs including Breakfast

Please remember that there is a carpark at the Mead and you are allowed to park free for two hours. Although the space is restricted this is the best option. If you do need to park at the road side please be considerate of our neighbour's driveways and aware of road markings. There is a particular issue with cars parking too close to the 'sleeping policeman' traffic calming causing congestion with passing cars and buses leaving no room to manoeuvre. This is a timely occasion to remind our parents and visitors that at no time is it acceptable to drive up or park in School Way.

Remembrance Weeks: History Workshop and Remembrance Service

As part of our History curriculum we will be commemorating the 100th anniversary of the end of World War One during the weeks of the 29th October and 5th November.

On Friday November 2nd we have arranged for the children from Year 1 to Year 6 to participate in a World War One workshop. The cost of this workshop is £3.50 per child; please visit the Gateway to make your payment.

On Friday 9th November all of the children from Foundation Stage to Year 6 will be visiting St Peter's Church to take part in the school's Remembrance Service at 9.45am. This service will commemorate the lives of the twenty-six men from Loudwater who fought in the first war and who did not return. Parents, carers and grandparents are warmly welcomed to join us for this special event. Tickets are available through Eventbrite as detailed earlier this week.

During our Remembrance Weeks the children will be making poppies which will be used in St Peter's Remembrance Service on Sunday 11th November. On the following Monday all classes will be visiting the Loudwater War Memorial to see how their poppies have been laid at the memorial. This is an activity where we will be using the Consent for Local Walks and Trips given on the Gateway.

Consent for Local Walks and Trips

We are fast approaching the time when the consent for Local Trips and Walks will be required (please see above). We have Remembrance and Christmas events coming soon. Although we will be giving full details of these events nearer the time it would be very helpful to have your consents in place. If you are one of the few parents who have not visited the Gateway to give consent please do so soon.

Hot Meals

There will be no hot lunches on November 2nd due to the WW1 workshops. Please check that you have ordered correctly on Live Kitchen to avoid any confusion on the day and to make sure your child has a midday meal.

Gateway

Please note that there are a number of items on the Gateway that require your attention, including:

Whole School - Pencil case Contribution
Years 4, 5 & 6 - Rabbi Visit
Selected Pupils - Guitar Lesson Payments
Year 2 - Wycombe Museum Visit
Year 6 - Green Park Residential

Whole School - Local Walks and Trips Consent
Years 1-6 World War One History Workshop

Contact Us

We use a number of ways to keep our Parent/Carers informed, the main one being this newsletter. We also email, via the office address given above, and text using the Gateway. We are however restricted in monitoring incoming messages. If you need to get in touch please only use either the telephone or email as the Gateway incoming text system is unmonitored.

After School Clubs

There are still a number of Smart Raspberry Cookery Club places available for the coming Half Term. The club runs on Friday and will restart on November 2nd for all age groups. Please contact Smart Raspberry directly.

m 07702700443

e helentucker@smartraspberry.com

School Uniform

After half term children should no longer be wearing summer uniform: shorts and summer dresses. I would also like to draw your attention to the clear guidelines regarding the length of girls' skirts as detailed in previous newsletters. After half term we will be expecting all skirts to be no shorter than knee length.

Yours faithfully

Clare Cunningham

Mrs C Cunningham
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 2018-19

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><u>October</u></p> <p>22nd – 26th Half term break 29th Return to school 31st Last day to apply for secondary school places (Y6)</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>November</u></p> <p>1st Open Day (9.00 – 10.00 & 2.00 – 3.00) 5th – 9th Remembrance Week 16th Children in Need 22nd Open Day (9.00 – 10.00 & 2.00 – 3.00) 29th – 30th Bikeability</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>December</u></p> <p>3rd Bikeability 7th Christmas Bazaar 11th 9.30am FS & Key Stage 1 Christmas Production 12th 2.30pm FS & Key Stage 1 Christmas Production 13th Key Stage 2 Christmas Production 2pm & 7pm 17th Pupils' Christmas Lunch 18th Christmas Service am Christmas Activities pm 19th School closes at 2pm for Christmas break</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><u>January</u></p> <p>3rd Children return to School 10th Open Day (9.00 – 10.00 & 2.00 – 3.00)</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>February</u></p> <p>4th – 8th Science Week 12th & 13th Parent/Teacher Consultations 18th – 22nd Half term break 25th Return to School</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>March</u></p> <p>14th Open Day (9.30 – 10.30 & 2.00 – 3.00) 18th -22nd Shakespeare Week 22nd Red Nose Day 26th & 28th Parent/Teacher Consultations Y6</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><u>April</u></p> <p>5th School closes at 2pm for Easter Break 23rd Training day for teachers 24th Children return to School 30th & 2nd Parent/Teacher Consultations (FS-Y5)</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>May</u></p> <p>30th & 2nd Parent/Teacher Consultations (FS-Y5) 6th Bank Holiday 13th Year 6 SATs Week 20th Year 5 Assessment Week 24th School Closed Training Day for teachers 27th – 31st Half term break</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>June</u></p> <p>3rd Children return to School 6th – 10th Science Week – Kew Gardens visit 6th Open Day (9.30 – 10.30 & 2.00 – 3.00) 11th – 14th Year 6 Green Park Residential 28th School closed training day for teachers</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><u>July</u></p> <p>1st – 5th Assessment Week Y1, Y3 & Y4 2nd Secondary School Induction Day (Y6) New Parents Meeting 5th Annual Reports to Parents 12th Sports Day – Greek Theme 17th Reserve Sports Day 23rd 7.00pm Y6 Leavers Production 24th 9.30am Y6 Leavers Presentation Assembly 24th School closes at 2pm for summer break</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Values Assemblies</u></p> <p>All Start at 9.05am 23rd November - Peace Y6 30th January - Responsibility Y5 28th February - Empathy Y3 27th March - Compassion Y2 30th April - Kindness Y6 23rd May - Collaboration Y1 27th June - Respect Y5 18th July - Happiness FS</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Class Assemblies</u> <u>Spring term</u></p> <p>All start at 9.05am 24th January - Year Six 31st January - Year Two 7th February - Year Five 7th March -Year One 14th March - Year Three 21st March - Year Four 28th March - Foundation Stage</p> |

