



Loudwater Combined School

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LOUDWATER NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

Important Calendar Dates

Spring term after school clubs start from Monday 15th – see below for further details.
Year 6 Assembly, Thursday 18th at 9.00am

News from the classes this week:

Foundation Stage

In Foundation Stage this week we have been visited by fairies! We have learnt about the Cottingley Fairies and have designed and made fairies ourselves. We have also had some fairy visitors as we have found little sprinkles of fairy dust around the class room. We have used cubes to weigh fairies and have been surprised to find that some of the smaller fairies were heavier than the larger ones. We have also enjoyed the story of the three little pigs. We have been acting out the story in our role play area and testing out building houses from straw, sticks and bricks.

http://hoaxes.org/photo_database/image/the_cottingley_fairies/

This is an *adult* website which will explain what we have learnt about the Cottingley Fairies. You could ask your child to tell you about the pictures, or share some of the text with them. They wouldn't be expected to use it by themselves.

Year One

In English this week we have been introduced to our new class author Mick Inkpen. We have enjoyed learning about one of his most popular books, "Jasper's beanstalk". We worked in pairs to sequence the story. We have also written super sentences to retell the story and have used some great adjectives to make some of the story sentences even better. Year 1 has also been very clever by learning all about making a word into a plural by adding s. In Maths it has been a busy week learning about time! Year 1 loved listening to the story 'What's the time Mr Wolf' by Debbie Gliori. We used analogue clocks to make the o'clock time in the story. Then we matched o'clock times to a selection of clocks and moved on to learning how to read and make half past times.

In Topic this week we have been introduced to our new topic; "Greenfingers". We have been labelling parts of a flowering plant. We also observed the trees around school; chose one of these to draw and labelled it with the words trunk, branch, roots and twigs. We learnt that we can identify different trees by the shape of their leaves and sorted a selection of leaves from deciduous trees.

Useful websites

www.ictgames.com/sharkNumbers/sharkNumbers_v5.html (choose numbers up to 99)

www.ictgames.com/dinosaursEggs/ (focus on the 100 words)

Year Two

This week, in Year 2, we have been enjoying the start of a Fairy Tales unit in English. Our text is "Jack and the Beanstalk" by Richard Walker. Using the text, we have explored the structure and features of a Fairy Tale story and described the setting and the character of the Giant. We have been learning how to select appropriate adjectives and developing our ability to write noun-phrases. In Phonics, we have been learning how to read and write

words with the suffix -ly. We have used these words to help us to write sentences beginning with adverbs such as: quickly, secretly and wildly. In Maths, we have been exploring number bonds for 100, looking at patterns. We have also represented these number bonds using the coins 10p, 20p and 50p. In Topic, we have begun our new topic "We Are What We Eat". We have begun this topic with an Art focus, looking at the work of Giuseppe Arcimboldo. We also developed our observational skills by sketching real fruits and vegetables.

www.giuseppe-arcimboldo.org/

Year Three

Welcome back to Year Three! In English this week we started our new text, 'Storm', written by Kevin Crossley-Holland. We have explored imaginative description, which had the class stepping into the shoes of the main character, Annie. The class wrote about various locations in the book using descriptive writing. Towards the end of the week, we wrote various character descriptions, showing the similarities and differences between the characters. In Maths, we have been working on various adding and subtracting strategies. Specifically, we have focused on adding/subtracting 10, 50, and 100. We have used 'money' as a tool to help us understand these concepts. Towards the end of the week, we worked on word problems that involve adding and subtracting numbers into the hundreds. This week in Topic, we have started our new unit "Gateways to the World". We have shown our knowledge of airports and other countries through discussion, drama, and various forms of writing. We have also learned about African style dancing in P.E.

<http://www.funkidslive.com/learn/behind-the-scenes-at-the-airport/fun-airport-facts/>

Year Four

This week in English we have begun reading our new book for this unit, which is called "The Firework-Maker's Daughter". We have drawn imaginative designs for our own fireworks and written about these fireworks using descriptive language. We have also thought about the characters from the story and have written instructions on "How to look after the white elephant". In maths we have had a focus on number and place value. We have been rounding to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000 as well as comparing and ordering four-digit numbers using maths symbols. During our topic lessons we have begun our new unit called "Shake It!" We have found out the properties of a solid, liquid and acted out how the particles of these states of matter behave. We have investigated the properties of milk using scientific methods and done our own research into milk before designing a leaflet detailing everything we have discovered about milk so far.

Year Five

This week in English, Year Five has started a new text called "Oranges in No Man's Land" by Elizabeth Laird. As background research for this, we have been writing non-chronological reports on the civil war in Lebanon- and even had a civil war break out in the classroom! We have started looking at the main character, Ayesha, and the key events which happen at the beginning of the story. In maths, Year Five has been exploring place value with six digit numbers. We have been extending our knowledge of rounding, by rounding numbers to the nearest ten thousand and hundred thousand, and have been exploring negative numbers. This has included finding the difference between positive and negative numbers, and using addition and subtraction with negative numbers.

Year Five has started a new topic this week called "The Great, The Bold and The Brave." We will be learning about many aspects of Roman life and society. So far, we have looked at classical buildings and designed their own Roman mosaics.

www.ducksters.com/history/ancient_rome.php

Year Six

In English this week, we have written boasting poems and have started a new unit based on a film clip called "Eye of the Storm". We have written descriptions of the setting and characters – the mysterious pilot and the dragon. Our grammar focus has been identifying and writing subordinate clauses and our current spelling rule is adding suffixes beginning with a vowel to words ending –fer. In Maths, we have been adding and subtracting negative numbers, interpreting line graphs and plotting coordinates across all four

quadrants. We have started our new Topic for this half term which is the Ancient Mayans. We have discovered where they lived and have thought been what we already know about them and what we would like to find out. On Thursday evening, those of us who attend the Matrix sessions went to the rescheduled Celebration Evening at Wycombe Wanderers Football Club. The children gave presentations on their learning and demonstrated some of the activities that they took part in to their parents.

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

Achievement Award Winners

	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

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 Evan	Amy Shayley	Lily Munopa	Mason Urszula	Ryan Teyha	Kayin Hewa	Rhys Charlotte

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%

Punctuality

Number of children arriving after 9.00am

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
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12.01.18 Lots of children late this week but we think this was due to the roadworks rather than anything else.

House points for this week

	Elgar	Beethoven	Tchaikovsky	Mozart
12.01.18	315	275	272	313

House Captains and Vice Captains

These Year 6 children have been chosen to be Captains and Vice Captains for the spring term.

	Captains	Vice Captains
Elgar	Lee	Maya
Beethoven	Sarah	Natalia
Mozart	Aaron	Mackenzie
Tchaikovsky	Leah	Arianne

The **Head teacher's Award** this week goes to; all the children for their positive attitudes to school and to learning, particularly demonstrated during our OFSTED inspection - very well done and thank you to all.

Matrix Celebration Evening



Matrix celebration evening: Thursday 11th was held at the Cressex centre – a great evening to celebrate achievements of all: Runo, Harry, Lee, Maya, Mackenzie, Keeley, 'Bodger' Tia, Natalia, Skye, Arianne, Freya, Lilly. (Nikola, Rhys and Maia were unable to attend the celebration evening.)

Many thanks to Bob Armstrong for the photographs.

The following Matrix awards go to:

Most Improved	Maya
Top Goal Scorers	Natalia & Lee
I Am Learning Champion	Natalia
Fastest Speed Stacking	Lee

Ofsted

This Wednesday we were visited by Ofsted. Thank-you to all parents who took time to complete the Ofsted questionnaire on Parent View and who spoke to the inspector at the start of the day. The report should be available for publication in 19 working days and we will share this with you as soon as we can.

Spring Term Clubs

As we are still in the winter months and it is darker earlier, football for both KS1 and KS2 will start after half term. Multi-skills is currently postponed, however we are able to offer two new clubs: Dodgeball on Tuesday evenings for Years 2 - 6 and Tag Rugby also for Years 2 - 6.

All external clubs need to be booked online. Please do not send your child to a club organised by an outside provider without first booking and paying online.

A full listing of all clubs, times, contact arrangements and payment details are attached below.

We have arranged for our clubs to commence on the week beginning Monday January 15th although the Radio club will have a slightly later start with the first session on Tuesday 23rd January.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club runs daily from 7.45 am. Cost of £2.50 without breakfast and £4.00 including. It is proving very popular with some regulars. We ask that all sessions are now booked in advance to ensure sufficient places available for your child. If you wish your child to attend on Monday, please book this **before** the weekend to ensure they have a place.

Choir O2 Performance

We will be distributing the ordered tickets along with written information to all Choir parents on Monday.

Year 6 Residential 2018

As you are aware we have once again organised our Year 6 residential trip to Green Park. All our Year 6 Parents have been sent full information by email and the Gateway is now open for deposits and instalments. The trip will take place between 11th and 14th June and an information meeting will be organised nearer the time. Please feel free to contact us if you have any concerns about your child taking part.

Flu Vaccinations

The Bucks Immunisation Team is running a final catch up clinic for any children in Reception to Year 4 that missed their flu vaccination. The Clinic will be at Rectory Meadow Surgery, Old Amersham, HP7 0HG on 16th January between 3.30 and 4.30. If you would like to book an appointment please ring 07810815891 and they will be happy to help.

Children Starting School September 2018

Children born between 01/09/2013 and 31/08/2014

A reminder from Bucks County Council: the application portal for primary applications closes at 3pm on 15 January 2018 – please see below link:

https://emsonline.buckscc.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2FCitizenPortal_LIVE%2F

Positive Parenting Programme

The Family Resilience Service will be running a Positive Parenting Programme at Wycombe East Children's Centre starting on 21st February.

There are only 10 places available and this programme has also been offered to 2 other schools, therefore confirmation of a place will be on a first come, first served basis. The course is fully funded and free childcare may be available on request.

This programme is designed to help you raise happy, confident kids, manage misbehaviour, set rules and routines, encourage behaviour you like, take care of yourself as a parent and feel confident you are doing the right thing.

If you would like to book yourself a place please complete the attached form and send it directly to parentinggroups@buckscc.gov.uk and cc. to sedwards@loudwater.bucks.sch.uk

If you would like any further information about the programme please contact Sharon through the office or on 07792 142825. E. sedwards@loudwater.bucks.sch.uk

FOLS Meeting - Wednesday 17th January, 7pm at school

FOLS are raring to go with fundraising activities for the spring and summer term!

Please do join us at our next meeting on Wednesday evening and have your say. All are welcome.

Yours faithfully

Clare Cunningham

Mrs C Cunningham
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

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

Internal Clubs for the Spring Term

Day	Club	Year groups	Any other information
Monday Lunchtime	Top Trumps	1, 2, 3 & 4	Children will be collected from the playground at 1.00. With Miss Weston in the Y1 classroom.
Monday Lunchtime	Recorders	3, 4, 5 & 6	In Foundation Stage with Miss Harris.
Tuesday Lunchtime	Art & Drawing	3, 4, 5 & 6	Max. 20 children. With Miss Brown in the Y5 classroom at 12.30.
Tuesday 3.30-4.30	Radio Club	6	Year 6 children continuing from last year - start Jan 23rd
Tuesday 3.30 -4.30	Netball Club	Years 4 5, & 6	PE kit needed. Maximum of 20 children. Restarts in the lighter evenings.
Thursday 3.30 – 4.30	Choir	Years 4 , 5 & 6	Maximum of 30 children Places in the choir will initially be given to those who joined last term
Thursday 3.30 -4.30	Home Learning Club	Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	Bring home learning activities and a reading book. Priority will be given to those who have already been attending.

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
Thursday 3.30 – 4.30	Tag Rugby	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
Friday 3.30 – 4.40	Active Gamerz	Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	PE kit needed. Maximum of 20 children There will be a cost for this club. Please book online at richard@activegamerz.co.uk
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



Family Resilience Service

GROUP TRIPLE P- POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAMME

Day: Wednesdays

Time: 12.30 to 2.30pm

Venue: Wycombe East Children's Centre, Herbert Road, Wycombe HP13 7HS

Wk	DATE	TOPIC
1	21 st February 2018	Positive Parenting
2	28 th February 2018	Helping Children to Develop
3	7 th March 2018	Managing Misbehaviour
4	14 th March 2018	Planning Ahead
5	21 st March 2018	1:1 Session
6	28 th March 2018	1:1 or Telephone call
	4 th April 2018	NO SESSION EASTER HOLIDAY
	11 th April 2019	NO SESSION EASTER HOLIDAY
7	18th April 2018	Celebration

The course is designed to be relaxed and informal. You will gain a range of skills and strategies which will support you in your parenting. In order to gain the most from this course it is important that you are able to commit to attending all the sessions.

This course is most beneficial to parents of children aged between 2 & 10 years of age.

To book your place or if you have any questions please contact –
parentinggroups@buckscc.gov.uk

OR

Telephone – 01296 382412



Parenting Group Booking Form			
Name(s) of parent/carer and partner (and dates of birth)			
Name of the group you wish to attend			
Address			
Telephone number(s)			
Email address			
Parent's Ethnicity			
How did you hear about the course			
Child/rens details			
Name of child	1)	2)	3)
Date of birth			
Any known disabilities			
Ethnicity			
Name of child	4)	5)	6)
Date of birth			
Any known disabilities			
Ethnicity			

I/We consent to the Family Resilience Service contacting other agencies who may have knowledge of me/us or my/our children so that they can carry out an assessment and plan services for our family.

I/We understand that the Family Resilience Service will record information about the work they do with the family. The information I give is confidential to the Family Resilience Service. Information about me will be shared without my consent only if the information suggests a person is at risk or to prevent a crime being committed. (My Family Resilience worker will tell me they are going to do this if they possibly can.)

I agree that information about me may be shared with other professionals and organisations where it is in the best interest of me and my family and is necessary to achieve better outcomes.

Name (in capitals).....

Signature (electronic).....

Date.....



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 9 week course.

The session dates are as follows:

Jan 2018 3.20pm-4.30pm	Feb 2018 3.20pm-4.30pm	March 2018 3.20pm-4.30pm	In total of:
16/01/18	06/02/18	06/03/18	
23/01/18	20/02/18	13/03/18	
30/01/18	27/02/18	20/03/18	
			Total £40.50

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 £40.50 for 9 sessions, a cost of £4.50 per session.



FAB Academy will be providing Loudwater Primary School with a
Year 2-6 Tag Rugby Club.

The lead coach for the club will be Frankie Bashir.

The club will allow pupils to participate in a weekly Tag Rugby session whilst improving fundamental physical skills; agility, balance and co-ordination. The club will be running from 3:20pm-4:30pm.

The session dates are as follows:

January 2018	February 2018	March 2018	Total Amount of 10 Sessions:
18/01/18	01/02/18	01/03/18	
25/01/18	08/02/18	08/03/18	
	22/02/18	15/03/18	
		22/03/18	
			Total £40.50

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 Tag Rugby Club. The club comes at a cost of £40.50 for 9 sessions, a cost of £4.50 per session.

DANCE CLUB



For KS2

Monday afterschool 3:30 – 4:30

Starting 15th January

Book online at www.premierperformingarts.co.uk

Any questions please email

dmcarthur@premiersport.org

