



Loudwater Combined School

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LOUDWATER NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

Important Calendar Dates

Friday 26th May – Teacher Training Day
Return to school on Monday 5th June
Clubs as normal on our return after the half term.

News from the classes this week:

Foundation Stage

In Foundation stage we have rounded off our learning about bears, with a Teddy Bear's Picnic! We all took our bears down to the Kingsmead and we sang songs, shared our picnic and played games. You will be very glad to hear that all the bears were very well behaved, probably because the children set them such a good example. The adults were proud of them all.

We have also done lots of activities related to the picnic, like making lists, recounting what we did, and sketching picnics.

You can see photos of the picnic on our class page on the school website.

<http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/Phase3Menu.htm>

Play any of the Phase 3 Games to reinforce this half terms learning in phonics.

Year One

In English Year 1 have been focusing on their author of the half term, Jez Alborough.

We have written information about him in super sentences! We have also written a book review of our favourite Jez Alborough book; this was a hard choice as there are so many great books to choose from! We have also been learning about how and where to use the suffixes er and est.

In Maths, Year 1 have squeezed lots into their Maths lessons this week. We have been counting in 5ps and finding out how many 5ps we would need to make different amounts. We have also been learning about repeating patterns and 2d and 3d shapes.

In topic we have been learning about the types of structures that animals make. We looked at a real birds nest! We also found out a bit more about wasp's nests and spider's webs. Games to support robotting and blending such as phonics play (all phases) and poopdeck pirates

www.iboard.co.uk/iwb/Banana-Conveyor-Belt-610

resources.hwb.wales.gov.uk/VTC/simple_patterns/eng/Introduction/MainSession.htm

Year Two

This week Year 2 has been continuing to enjoy the story of 'Penguin in Peril'. They have written a newspaper article about the Penguin's peril and a letter to the Penguin from the cats. In Phonics, they have been revisiting rules for adding suffixes, observing how the word class changes. In Maths, they have been finding $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ of numbers and shapes. In Topic, they have been looking at the paintings 'Monarch of the Glen' by Edwin Henry Landseer and 'Surprise!' by Henri Rousseau. The children used these pieces of art to inspire their own pictures of an animal in its natural habitat.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/literacy/joining_words/play/

Year Three

This week in English, Year 3 have been writing their very own newspaper reports on what Lucy and her family had to go through when the wolves came out of the woods. They began the week by looking at the structure of newspaper reports and then led onto planning and writing.

This week in Maths, Year 3 started the week by recognising equivalent fractions with small denominators. They then looked at adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominator within one whole. Towards the end of the week they moved onto solving number and practical problems involving measures.

In Topic we looked at creating games and activities that use specific muscle groups. We have also looked back through and evaluated what we have learned in our topic of Shaping Up. After half term Year 3 are going to start our final Topic of Settlers and Scavengers.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/guides/z34djxs>

Year Four

This week in English, Year 4 have enjoyed writing play scripts based upon Little Red Riding Hood. They began by practising their descriptive writing skills and used this to write, in groups, a setting description of Grandma's House. Continuing in their groups, they then wrote the scene where Little Red Riding Hood meets the wolf at Grandma's house. At the end of the week they all thoroughly enjoyed rehearsing and performing their plays in the outside classroom. In Maths, Year 4 have been consolidating their knowledge of fractions and decimals and now feel more confident adding and subtracting fractions and converting between decimals and fractions. In Topics, in order to finish their rooms for the class house, Year 4 have had fun using clay, paint, saws and glue guns to create and fix their furniture into their rooms. They are looking forward to putting the house together after half term.

www.topmarks.co.uk

Year Five

This week in English, Year 5 have been finishing their assessments in spelling, punctuation and grammar, and reading comprehension. They have also started to write their own creative and imaginative version of what happened to Ben (from Gangsta Granny) at his dancing competition! They are looking forward to finishing Gangsta Granny this week, and finding out what happens when Ben and Granny try to steal The Crown Jewels!

In Maths, Year 5 have been converting fractions into decimals and percentages. To do this, they have been revising how to multiply and divide numbers by 10, 100 and 1000 and they have started to convert these into percentages as well. They are now finding percentages of amounts.

In topic lessons, Year 5 have been investigating the life cycles of different types of animals. They have been comparing the life cycles of mammals, amphibians, birds and insects as well as making animations on Scratch to show the life cycles of flowering plants.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/clips/zc234j6>

Year Six

This week Year Six have been on a residential trip to Green Park activity centre to experience a week of outdoor learning and challenges which they tackled well and all seemed to have thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Having now returned to school they are no doubt looking forward to a well-earned half term break.

Year 1 Values Assembly

Earlier today Year 1 had a values assembly, the topic being, COLLABORATION. The award winners are listed below:

Values Award Winners

	Foundation Stage	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
25.5.17	Emy Lewis	Lilly Weedon	Jacob Worthington	Lara Sohrabian	Aaminah Ali	Luke Golton	School Trip

Citizens of the month for May

	Foundation Stage	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
25.5.17	Jasmin Subhan	George Springle	Lucy Sarl	Vanessa Czajkowska	Ella Green	Erin Timberlake	School Trip

Achievement Award Winners

	Foundation Stage	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
05.5.17	Ella Bowler	Raza Akhtar	Baylee Seymour	Adam Maaref	Rosie Brewer	Skye Simpson	Emma Merry
12.5.17	Ciaran Cleland Mason Weber	Ellie Badger	Kyla Taylor	Riley McGrady	Ella Green	Oliver Fiander	Whole class
19.5.17	Joshua De Mendonca Freya Ward	Alacia Yearwood	Joseph Timpson	Amy Avery	Max Floyd	Maya Ghailan	Karolina Kukhta

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
05.5.17	Emy Lewis Ciaran Cleland	Lilly Weedon Chloe Bowden	Xandros O'Connor Kyla Taylor	Lily Cleere-Horwood Ayaan Younis	Breanna Carter Hewa Farag	Lee Bampton Tia Armstrong	Jake Green Holly Watmore
12.5.17	Joshua De Mendonca Benjamin Tate	Lily Rees-Curphey Milla Smith	Aundrea Johnson Rohan Patel	Nikhil Kumar Sri Addada	Gabrielle Sarl Tyler Merry	Nikola Czajkowska Lilly Coope	Raqeeb Ahmed Woody Abrams
19.5.17	Teagan Andrews Ella Bowler	Ellie Badger Adna Adegbulugbe	Zachary Burch Mason Bates	Ryan Cleland Lara Sohrabian	Rosie Brewer Alayda Safi	Alice Betts Luke Golton	Dylan Richards Nathan Long

Attendance

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
05.5.17	98%	91%	99%	97%	99%	99%	96%
12.5.17	96%	95%	100%	98%	99%	97%	100%
19.5.17	98%	97%	100%	97%	95%	97%	98%
25.5.17	97%	99%	98%	98%	98%	94%	Trip

Congratulations to Year 2 who had the best attendance this month at 99%. Well done!

Punctuality**Number of children arriving after 9.00am**

	Foundation Stage	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
05.5.17	0	1	0	0	2	1	0
12.5.17	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
19.5.17	0	1	0	2	2	1	0
25.5.17	0	0	0	0	0	1	0

House points for the month

	Elgar	Beethoven	Tchaikovsky	Mozart
May 2017	796 (1 st)	669 (4 th)	699 (3 rd)	738 (2 nd)

FOLs – Fete Planning Meeting

Reminder that there will be a meeting held at the school on Thursday 8th June at 7pm to organise the Summer Fete. All parents who are interested in helping out with the organisation are welcome to attend.

FOLS Lottery

The winner of this month's lottery is Paula Wakelin – Congratulations!

Hot School Meals

Thank you to those that have already sent back comments on the current catering offer. As we have previously stated, we will be renegotiating the provision of hot school meals with our catering company. If you have any further feedback to help us in this process please email the school office with your comments by the end of May.

Swimming Pool – update

As you are no doubt all aware, the swimming pool is in need of repair. The works have been agreed with a local company who plan to start work the first week of June for a period of 4 to 5 weeks; we should be swimming in July. Thank you for your patience.

After School Clubs

All clubs will be in full operation on return from the half term break, starting with Dance on Monday 5th June.

School Gateway

June is going to be a busy month for trips. Please remember that the School Gateway is open for your consents and payment.

- Year One are off to the Chiltern Open Air Museum consent and payment required.
- Year Three also the Chiltern Open Air Museum again consent and payment.
- Year Four will be visiting the Ashmolean Museum consent and payment.

If your child has guitar lessons the Gateway is open for the Summer Term fees that are now due.

Teacher Training Day

A reminder to all parents that the school will be closed on Friday 26th May due to a Teacher Training Day.

Half Term Break

Finally I would like to wish you all a lovely half term break; I trust that the warm weather continues.

We return to school on Monday 5th June 2017.

Yours faithfully

Clare Cunningham

Mrs C Cunningham
Head teacher

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.

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Calendar of events for 2016-17

<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>
26th School Closed Training Day for teachers 29 th -2 nd June Half term break	5 th Children return to School 29 th Open Day 9.30-10.30am & 2-3 pm 23 rd Class photographs 30 th School closed teacher training day	4 th Secondary Induction Day (Y6) New Parents Meeting 7 th Annual Reports to Parents 8 th FOLS Summer Fete 13 th Sports Day 14 th FOLS discos for pupils pm 17 th Reserve Sports Day 20 th 7.00pm Y6 Leavers Production 21 st 9.30am Y6 Leavers Presentation Assembly 21 st School closes at 2pm for summer break

New items in green – the date of Sports Day has changes

<u>Values Assemblies 9.05am start</u>
29 th June – Respect Y4 19 th July – Happiness FS

TERM DATES - SEPTEMBER 2017 - JULY 2018

Autumn Term 2017 Training Days Mon 4 th & Tue 5 th September Term begins Wednesday 6 th September Half-term Mon 23rd – Fri 27th October Term ends Tuesday 19 th December	Spring Term 2018 Training Day Wednesday 3 rd January Term begins Thursday 4 th January Half-term Mon 12th – Fri 16th February Term ends Thursday 29 th March
Summer Term 2018 Term begins Monday 16 th April May Day Monday 7 th May Training Day Friday 25 th May Half-term Tue 29th May - Fri 1st June Training Day Friday 29 th June Term Ends Tuesday 24 th July	Please note: Pupils should not be taken out of school during term time for family holidays

Half Term Fun



WYCOMBE MUSEUM

Ruff Times - Tudor Craft

Tuesday 30 May and Thursday 1 June

Have a go at some of our lovely brass rubbings, make your own Tudor ruff to wear and medieval coin bag to take home.

Sessions at 10.30am, 11.30am, 2.15pm and 3.15pm

Buy timed tickets on the day.

Drop In ● £3

Chilterns' Traditional Arts and Crafts

Sunday 4 June ● 12 - 5pm

As part of Wycombe Arts Festival, join us for an afternoon to celebrate traditional crafts of the Chilterns and see the skills of some local craftspeople at work.

Demonstrations will include:

- Chair 'bodger', demonstrating 'log to leg' woodturning
- Basket-making and willow weaving
- Traditional woodcarving
- Chair caning by Wycombe Cane and Rush works
- As well as straw plait, lace-making and more...

Free

Get Crafty

Learn straw plaiting and create your own corn dolly!

12.15pm, 1.45pm 3.15pm ● Age 6+

Make a miniature wooden Windsor chair!

12.45pm, 2.15pm, 3.30pm ● Age 8+

Book ● £4



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