

# LODDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

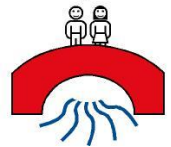
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## NEWSLETTER NO 18

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Dear Parents/Carers,



### House Gems

Congratulations to the following children who have received a Values 'House Gem' celebrating their actions in promoting our school values.

- Miles B Y1 Earth Courage when trying new foods.
- Chelsey M Y3 Earth Quality work completed independently.



### Time to celebrate!

As we approach the end of the academic year we wish to congratulate all our pupils on their many achievements this year. We have just received the Y6 test results and again our pupils have achieved great success. With 95% L4+ for reading, 92% L4+ for spelling, punctuation and grammar, 98% L4+ for writing and 100% L4+ for Maths these represent the school's best results yet. We have also performed well at L5 and L6 - well done Y6!

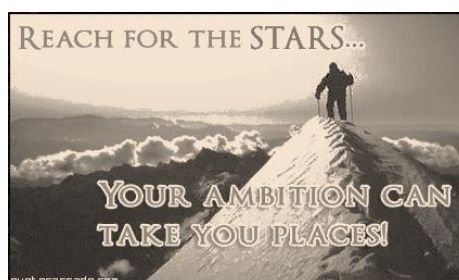
Our Y2 pupils also achieved well improving on last year and Foundation 2 pupils attained their best results to date especially in the area of writing.

It's not all about test results of course and this week as I observed the values mural being created by pupils in the front reception area, the truly inspiring rehearsals for the Lion King and the FSU sharing assembly I was reminded of the diversity of talent that our pupils possess at Loddon as well as the team spirit which has flourished in recent years. I am also appreciative of the dedication of Loddon families and staff in nurturing our Loddon values. Loddon truly is achieving its ambition to realise the potential in everyone.

### Value of the Month Ambition

This month our value is ambition and we have been sharing our wishes, hopes and dreams for the future. The children have considered role models, goals and next steps in fulfilling their ambitions.

Ambition will also form a theme within our transition work as children prepare to move to a new year group or in the case of Year 6 secondary school.



## School Uniform reminder

As we approach a new school year we would like to remind you of the school uniform policy shown below. In particular children should wear black school shoes not trainers for school and plain black shorts for PE. I would also ask you to note the uniform code for socks - although socks may be small when they are non-uniform colours they are very obvious!

School sweatshirts and fleeces, are available from [www.yourschooluniform.com](http://www.yourschooluniform.com) (our uniform supplier). House PE shirts, PE/swimming bags and book bags can be purchased from the school office. Everything else can be brought from normal school uniform suppliers. With so many children in identical uniform please ensure **everything is named**.

A watch, religious necklace or bracelet and plain ear studs/sleepers can be worn discreetly (For safety reasons the children may be asked to remove jewellery before sports activities). Long hair should be tied back at all times for hygiene and safety reasons with a plain coloured hair band or tie. Hair colouring, hair gel and patterns cut into the hair are not appropriate for school.

When selecting school shoes, please remember that children are very active especially in their outdoor play and therefore for safety reasons, shoes should be flat-heeled, flat-soled and have closed rather than open toes.

Uniform for children in FSU is a school sweatshirt or cardigan with their own clothing as explained at the new parents' meetings and in your booklets.

### *Boys*

Grey school trousers or shorts  
White shirt or polo shirt  
Blue Loddon sweatshirt  
Black or grey socks  
Black school shoes  
Blue Loddon fleece jacket (optional)

### *PE equipment (in a drawstring bag)*

House T-shirt  
Lightweight trainers  
Black shorts  
Smart Plain Tracksuit (optional)  
Long socks and shin pads  
Black, grey or white short socks

### *Girls*

Grey skirt, pinafore or school trousers  
(No miniskirts)  
White blouse or polo shirt  
Blue Loddon sweatshirt or cardigan  
Blue and white checked dress  
Black, white or grey socks  
Black or grey tights  
Black school shoes  
Blue Loddon fleece jacket (optional)  
Black or white short, plain headscarf worn for religious reasons (thin material advisable)

### *Swimming (in a waterproof bag)*

Swimming trunks, one-piece swimming costume or modesty swimming costume (or equivalent)  
Swimming hat  
1 or 2 towels

### *Other Equipment*

Large shirt or overall to protect clothing during Art and DT  
Named purse (for dinner money etc.)  
Named water bottle  
Blue sunhat (optional: summer only)  
Book bag (Foundation Stage to Y3 inclusive).



## **Berkshire Maestros music lessons at school- enrol now for September start!!**

Now is a good time to consider enrolling your child for music lessons with Berkshire Maestros as there are spaces available to start in September in various classes such as keyboard/piano and many more. Please go to <http://www.berkshiremaestros.org.uk/> and click on enrol today!

### **School Library and reading books**

Please return all school library books and school reading books by Tuesday 14th July. If a book is not returned we may unfortunately have to ask for a contribution towards the cost of a replacement copy.

### **Record Breakers - Wokingham Libraries Children's Summer Reading Challenge**

Go for a personal best this Summer! Sign up to Record Breakers, the Summer Reading Challenge 2015 for primary aged children. Record Breakers brings together fact and fiction, challenging young readers to explore astonishing real-life achievements and world records. Simply read any six books from your local Library between 11 July and 13 September. If you complete your challenge you will win a medal and a certificate.



### **Gardening Club**

Thank you to those parents who have sent in plants, the gardening club have enjoyed planting them and they are growing nicely. If anyone has any spare/old watering cans that are no longer needed, we would also be very grateful for these.

### **Wokingham Borough Council Sports and Leisure**

Wokingham Borough Council Sports and Leisure team would like to provide you with this link to show you what is available for you and your children across the borough:

<http://www.wokingham.gov.uk/sports/>. If you have any enquiries or would like further information please email [sport@wokingham.gov.uk](mailto:sport@wokingham.gov.uk).

### **Lunchtime Controller vacancy from 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2015**

We are looking for a friendly and capable person to join our lunchtime team with children in years 1-6 from 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2015. Applicants should enjoy working with children and be available to work every day from 12.10pm - 1.25pm during term time only. You will be on Grade 3 SCP 14 and earn £2,274.65 per year (equivalent to £9.59 per hour worked inc. holiday pay). Full induction will be given.

Applications will be considered on receipt and should be made via the support staff application form which is available from the school office or online via the school website.

\*The school is committed to safer recruitment practice and pre-employment checks will be undertaken before any appointment is confirmed. This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Barring Service check.\*

### **Summer holiday activities**

Please review the community pages on the school website for family activities taking place during the School Summer holiday.

### **End of Pupil Summer Term**

We would like to remind you that School closes for the Pupil Summer term at 3pm on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July. For Foundation children, the morning session will finish at 11.10am and the afternoon session at 2.50pm for ALL children. Picnic club and buy-ins are not affected and will be accommodated as usual. Foundation children attending After School Club will be collected at 2.50pm and taken to the After School Club.

Yours sincerely

Mrs. S. Phillips  
Headteacher

### Diary Events List: Summer Term 2015

Date	Time	Event
13/07/15	13.45	Y5/6 dress rehearsal to the school
14/07/15	13.45	Y5/6 dress rehearsal
14/07/15	19.00-20.00	Y5/6 performance
15/07/15	9.00-10.00	Parent Tea/Coffee in the Hut - All parents/carers welcome!
15/07/15	Morning	Transition - class swap morning
15/07/15	13.30-14.30	Pets in Practice visiting 5JO
15/07/15	15.30-17.30	FSU parents evening
15/07/15	19.00-20.00	Y5/6 performance
16/07/15	9.00-11.00	PSP CAN (Parents Supporting Parents) meeting in the Hut.
20/07/15	18.00-19.00	Swimming Pool Committee meeting. If you would like to attend please contact the Chair in advance.
21/07/15	All day	Y6 Leavers trip
21/07/15	19.00-19.30	Y6 Leavers presentation event
22/07/15	9.00-10.00	Parent Tea/Coffee in the Hut - All parents/carers welcome!
22/07/15	11.10 / 14.50	End of Pupil Summer term - FSU morning children finish at 11.10am and afternoon children at 2.50pm.
22/07/15	15.00	End of Pupil Summer term - Y1-6 morning children finish at 3pm
23/7-31/8/15		Summer holiday
01-02/09/15	All day	INSET days School closed for staff training
03/09/15		Start of Pupil Autumn term F2-Y6
07/09/15		Start of Pupil Autumn term F1 and two year olds

