

LODDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

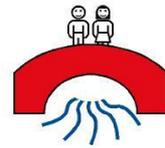
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Dear Parents/Carers,



House Gems

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

Shiven P	Sea Horses	Earth	Caring and thoughtfulness on sports day
Eesha N	Starfish	Earth	Independence and quality in PSHE learning
Anwasha D	Starfish	Fire	Independence and quality in PSHE learning
Rajath I	Kites	Water	Determination and responsibility at the PTA Summer Fair
Tianna C	Turtles	Water	Courage and confidence in school
Esha J	Longwings	Water	Caring and thoughtfulness on the playground
Amria P	Longwings	Water	Caring and thoughtfulness on the playground
Libby C	Phoenix	Earth	Showing many values including quality in her Egyptian project

Ambition - Value of the month

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noun

a strong desire to do or to achieve something, typically requiring determination and hard work.

As a school we are ambitious for our future and the leadership team, including governors, recently agreed the vision of how we would like Loddon to look by 2026; this being the year in which our youngest current pupil will leave for secondary school. This vision follows for your information and interest. As a school team we feel inspired by the vision to do our very best for the children and community of Loddon, although we of course recognise it will also require hard work and commitment for the vision to be achieved!

During July we will be sharing the vision with our children and asking them to consider the role they will play in making this vision a reality. In sharing our vision with you we also invite you to reflect on how you might support us in achieving our dreams, for Loddon's future, and in so doing 'realising the potential in everyone.'

Our Vision for Loddon Primary School by 2026

Working together to realise the potential in everyone ...

At Loddon we believe in the key importance of positive relationships based on trust, equality and mutual respect and this will form a central feature of our values-education based school. Children and adults will radiate joy and feel happy to be at Loddon. Their well-being and positive mental health will be enriched by being a member of Loddon Primary School.



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We will be an open and honest school where people feel welcome and share a sense of belonging. Parents and community members will want to contribute to Loddon Primary School and to play a key role as part of our school family. Our children in return will give back to the local community of Earley as ambassadors for values-education.

We want to recruit and retain quality staff with ambition, enthusiasm and professionalism that go the extra mile to achieve Loddon's dreams. At Loddon we will actively research and reflect on the best practice: locally, nationally and internationally to inform the approaches we take to our teaching. Through our reflective approach and commitment to on-going professional learning we will be a centre of excellence for professionals at all stages in their career.

We will offer a physical and emotional environment which inspires our learners as we believe that a quality environment both inside and outside will lead to higher levels of engagement and deeper learning for our children.

We will use the best of modern technology to inspire and innovate and will be a leader in the educational application of such technology.

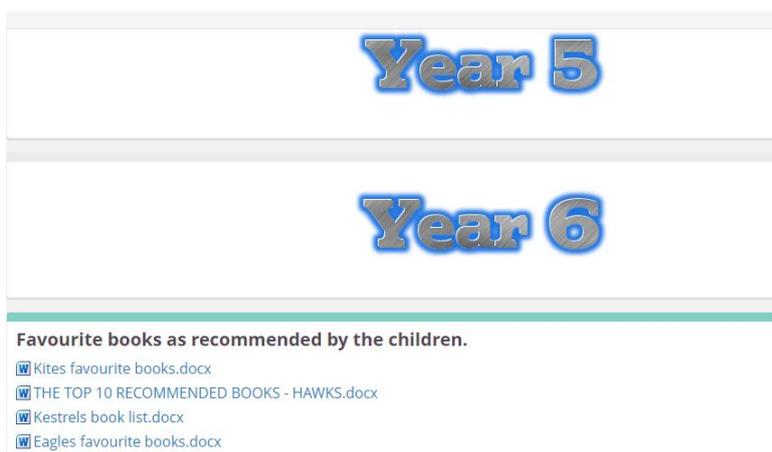
We believe that learning does not always happen in formal blocks of time or knowledge and so we will be flexible in our organisation and planning to allow children to have greater ownership of their own learning.

At Loddon we believe in the limitless potential of all our children and our pupils will leave Loddon recognising that their time with us is only the beginning of an exciting and life-long journey of learning. Loddon's legacy will be that our children are confident and determined to make a positive difference to our ever changing world.

Children's Favourite Books Lists

Each class in school has put together a list of their favourite recommended books for other children to select from.

The lists are now available on the School Learning Platform; you can login either by using your child's login or a parent log-in such as *Username: Y6 Password: loddon* or *Username Y5, Y4* etc. The lists can then be found having then clicked on the relevant team button. Why not pick some books from the list to enjoy with your child this summer?



The screenshot shows a digital interface with two main sections. The top section is titled 'Year 5' in large, blue, bubbly font. Below it is a section titled 'Year 6' in the same font. Underneath the 'Year 6' section, there is a heading 'Favourite books as recommended by the children.' followed by four links, each with a small document icon: 'Kites favourite books.docx', 'THE TOP 10 RECOMMENDED BOOKS - HAWKS.docx', 'Kestrels book list.docx', and 'Eagles favourite books.docx'.

Online Safety

As we approach the summer break and children may be spending more time on line we would like to remind parent/carers of some useful links for advice on keeping your child safe on line.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

<http://www.vodafone.com/content/digital-parenting/learning-and-fun/digital-parenting-magazine.html>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-we-do/campaigns/safe-internet-explorers/>



Keeping children safe this summer

Should you have a significant concern about a child whilst school is closed for the summer break,

- All immediate concerns should be discussed with a social worker by calling the WBC Referral and Assessment Team (Children's Safeguarding and Social Care Team) on telephone 0118 908 8002 or by email: triage@wokingham.gcsx.gov.uk
- For concerns out of hours contact the Emergency Duty Team - **out of office hours**: telephone: 01344 786 543

Staff changes

At the end of term we will be wishing Mr Dibley a fond farewell as he relocates to Devon; we thank him for his commitment to Loddon during his time with us. We also thank Mrs Howard for her valued work as a Teaching Support Assistant as she relocates to Germany. New staff members Miss Baker and Miss Gardner will join us, as Key Stage 2 team leaders, in September and I know are very much looking forward to coming to Loddon. We have also been very pleased to welcome Mr McMillan, as our new assistant site controller, this summer. Also joining our staff team, in Foundation Stage, is Teaching Support Assistant Mrs Michelle McKie-Small.



Swimming Pool Donations

As we reach the end of the Summer term, if your child has swum this summer there is still time to make a donation for this swimming season. A suggested donation of £15 per season helps to support the high running costs of the pool; however we are grateful for any amount you are able to offer. Thank you. *Jenny Sumner, School Business Manager*

Summer Holiday Funsplash

Funsplash will be running between 10:00am-11:00am every weekday from Wednesday the 26th July to Friday 18th August the summer holidays. For details of all swimming activities this summer holiday please follow the swimming pool link from the school website.

Please return Sport kits

Please return any sports kits particularly football kits from Year 6 who will be leaving us. Thank you.
Mr Holloway Sports Leader

Please return Library books

Please could all school library books be returned to the library as soon as possible before the end of term. If a book is not returned we may ask for a contribution towards the cost of a replacement copy. Thank you.
Mrs Screene, Librarian

Writing competition being run by the Book People

The Book People are running a writing competition looking for bedtime stories of 200-800 words on the theme of friendships. There will be winners from three age categories. Each winner will receive a prize and one lucky overall winner will see their story professionally published with stunning illustrations by top children's illustrator, Alison Brown. If children would like to find out more or take part please visit www.thebookpeople.co.uk/bedtimestory
Mrs Postlethwaite



Building work start this Summer Holiday

Please be aware that the next stage of our expansion building starts on Monday 31st July and will run throughout the next year. This stage will involve substantial building work and so there will be disruption to site. Further details will follow as soon as they become available but for now please be aware that there will be **no access to site for vehicles this summer holiday**. Parents using the Summer Holiday Club and/or swimming will need to park off site and walk their children onto site observing relevant signage.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Phillips
Headteacher

Diary Events List: Summer/Autumn term 2017

Date	Time	Event
17/7/17	11.00-12.00	Upper team dress rehearsal performance to the school
18/7/17	11.00-12.00	Upper team dress rehearsal performance to the school
19/7/17	9.00-9.20	'Meet the Teacher' sessions with next year's teachers
19/7/17	Morning	Class swap morning for children
19/7/17	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
19/7/17	18.00-19.00	Upper team production to parents and carers
20/7/17	18.00-19.00	Upper team production to parents and carers
21/7/17	All day	Y6 Leavers trip
24/7/17	18.00-19.00	Y6 Leavers Presentation in the Hillside Hall
25/7/17	11.10/14.50	End of Pupil Summer term: FSU morning children finish 11.10am. Afternoon children 2.50pm
25/7/17	15.00	End of Pupil Summer term: Y1-6 children finish 3pm
26/7-3/9/17	All day	Summer holiday
4-5/9/17	All day	INSET days School closed for staff training
6/9/17	All day	First day of Pupil Autumn term: 8.40 FSU and 8.55 Y1-6
6/9/17	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
13/9/17	All day	Roald Dahl Day in school
13/9/17	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
20/9/17	8.30-9.30	Personnel and Finance Governor meeting: Attendance by invitation of Chair or Headteacher only
20/9/17	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
27/9/17	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
27/9/17	18.00-19.30	Curriculum Governor meeting: Attendance by invitation of Chair or Headteacher only
27/9/17	20.00-21.30	PTA AGM in the Hut
3-10/10/17	After school	Travelling Book Fair

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3/10/17	10.15	F1 Prospective Parents Monthly Tour
4-6/10/17	Residential	Y5 trip to PGL
4/10/17	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
11/10/17	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
11/10/17	18.00-19.30	Full Governor Body meeting: Attendance by invitation of Chair or Headteacher only
18/10/17	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
23-27/10/17	All week	Half Term
30/10/17	All day	INSET days School closed for staff training

