

# LODDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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29<sup>th</sup> September 2017

## NEWSLETTER NO 2

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.

Mason F	Longwings	Air	Quality home learning
Cailin G	Bennu	Fire	Extra values home learning
Antonia P	Bennu	Air	Extra values home learning
Lydia S	Hawks	Fire	A role model for Quality learning and behaviour

### Interfaith Week 12-19<sup>th</sup> November

This year at Loddon we will be marking Interfaith Week with a community celebration, assemblies and curriculum activities. Interfaith week is about building good relationships between people of different faiths and beliefs and will link to our school's work on the British Value - *'Mutual respect for and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and for those without faith'*. It is not about worship but rather understanding and education.

We are interested to hear from any parents/carers who would be willing to come into school and talk to the children about what faith means to them? If you would like to do this please complete the slip at the end of the newsletter and return this to school by the 20<sup>th</sup> October.



### Nut allergies

We currently have a number of children at Loddon who have nut allergies. Whilst we are not able to provide an absolute guarantee that the School is 'Nut free' we would like to work with parent/carers to reduce the level of risk associated with nuts, in school, for a significant number of our children. Therefore we request that families avoid sending nuts into school as part of the food they provide to their children - thank you.

### Worried or concerned about your child?

It is so pleasing to see our children have made a really positive start to the new school year however, what should you do if one day your child has a worry in school? Firstly, we encourage our children to use their value of responsibility and to tell a member of staff if they have a worry themselves. This is often the most helpful way to resolve upsets in school as it allows us to deal with concerns immediately. If your child is nervous about speaking to us they can ask a friend to help, speak to a peer mediator or use the 'Worry Box' on our Learning Platform. Please encourage your child to speak to an adult in school if they are worried about anything so we can help.

If instead you need to share a concern with us yourself please speak to your child's class teacher or key worker in the first instance. There are many ways to do this; either by e-mail, by leaving a message with the staff on the doors in the morning or by requesting an appointment at the office for example. Please note we do ask that you do



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not speak at length to teachers during drop-off time as they need to safely supervise the children coming into school and also to start the teaching day. (We also ask that all communication to our staff, in whatever form, is polite - thank you.)

Finally, should your concern be more serious then please contact one of our team leaders for support: Mrs Hampton FSU, Miss Calvert Y1/2, Miss Gardner Y3/4 or Miss Baker Y5/6. The office can support you to do this. The team leaders will also liaise with the Assistant, Deputy and Headteacher if required and you may contact them directly for the most serious concerns via the school office.

### **SEN SURGERY**

Wokingham SEN in conjunction with SENDIASS are pleased to offer drop-in sessions for any SEN related queries for young people, parents, carers, educators and practitioners on a fortnightly basis starting today (Thursday 21st September 2017).

We have the conference room at Highwood Annexe (RG5 3RU) booked for our availability. Tea and coffee are on offer and a member of the SEN Team and SENDIASS will be present to receive all, to discuss any concerns and provide a general overview of processes and provision Wokingham has to offer.

No pre-booking is required! Parking is available on site however as this is a busy school, spaces are limited but local parking is possible off the main road.

For information about any of the drop-ins, please contact Wokingham SEN on 01189 746216 or [sen@wokingham.gov.uk](mailto:sen@wokingham.gov.uk)



### **Travelling Book Fair**

The Travelling Book Fair will be visiting school on Tuesday 3rd October - Monday 9th October. It will be open after school from 3.30 - 4pm in the Foundation Stage hall.

There are hundreds of exciting books to choose from with prices starting from £2.99. There will also be a selection of pocket money priced stationery. Every book you buy helps us to get new books for the school library. Please come along and have a look!

Payment is by cash or cheque only. Cheques should be made payable to 'Loddon Primary School'

*Mrs Screene, Librarian*

### **FS and KS1 Phonics information evening for Parents**

There will be a Phonics information session for parents/carers of children in Foundation Stage and Key Stage one. The session will take place on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October from 7pm to 7.30pm in the Foundation Stage Hall.

*Mr Hempson-Jones, Phonics Subject Leader*

### **Donations of crates please**

If you have any old, strong plastic milk crates that you no longer use and would be happy to donate to the Foundation Unit then we would be pleased to receive them. Please bring them to the Foundation Unit or the School office. Thank you!

Yours sincerely,

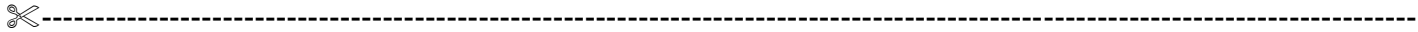
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### Diary Events List: Autumn term 2017

Date	Time	Event
3-10/10/17	After school	Travelling Book Fair in the FSU Hall
3/10/17	13.30-15.30	Y1 REInspired session: Baptism and Belonging. At Brookside Church
4-6/10/17	Residential	Y5 trip to PGL
4/10/17	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
5/10/17	10.15	F1 Prospective Parents Monthly Tour
10/10/17	19-19.30	FS and KS1 Phonics information session for Parents/Carers
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
18/10/17	9.00-11.00	Positive Parenting Course in The Hut
23-27/10/17	All week	Half Term
30/10/17	All day	INSET days School closed for staff training
31/10/17	13.30-15.30	Y3 RE Inspired session at Brookside Church
01/11/17	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
01/11/17	9.00-11.00	Managing Challenging Behaviour Course in The Hut
02/11/17	10.15	F1 Prospective Parents Monthly Tour
03/11/17	All day	Y6 trip to Kew Gardens
08/11/17	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
08/11/17	16.00-19.00	Parents evening FSU-Y6
09/11/17	9.30-10.30	Whole School Open morning
09/11/17	16.00-19.00	Parents evening FSU-Y6
15/11/17	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
16/11/17	15.00-15.20	Y5 Class sharing assembly - Parents/Carers welcome
17/11/17	15.30-17.00	Interfaith week Celebration
22/11/17	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
23/11/17	9.15-10.15	Y6 RE Inspired session
24/11/17	Morning	Flu immunisation for children in F2-Y4
29/11/17	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
29/11/17	18.00-19.30	Full Governing Body meeting: Attendance by invitation of Chair or Headteacher only
30/11/17	10.00-12.15	Y6 RE Inspired session at St Nicolas Church
05/12/17	13.30-15.30	Y6 RE Inspired session at Brookside Church
06/12/17	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
06/12/17	18.00-19.00	Assessment evening for parents/carers of children in years 3-6
07/12/17	10.15	F1 Prospective Parents Monthly Tour
07/12/17	15.00-15.20	Y6 Class sharing assembly - Parents/Carers welcome

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13/12/17	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
19/12/17	As shown	Christmas Celebration at St Nicolas Church: Children in F2-KS1 9.30am Children in KS2 10.30am
19/12/17	End of day	Final day of Autumn term - Children finish 30 minutes earlier than their usual time.
19/12/17-02/01/18	All week	Christmas holiday
03/01/18	All day	Start of Pupil Spring term



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Expression of Interest**

To: Loddon Primary School office team (Please tick boxes to indicate)

I am interested in coming into school to talk to the children about what faith means to me.

Please add a little information on what you would like to share below:

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Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_ class: \_\_\_\_\_

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SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this slip by 20<sup>th</sup> October, thank you.



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