

LODDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

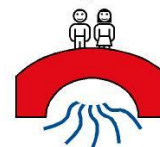
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Loddon
Primary School



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NEWSLETTER NO 3

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.

Aimee A	Y6	Water	For taking responsibility and showing respect in class.
Tayshaun C	Y5	Water	For quality work and behaviour in class.
Sophie G	Y6	Air	For challenging herself to complete quality work.
Adi A	Y2	Earth	For quality painting due to his own determination and great enthusiasm.



Value of the month Friendship

This month's value is Friendship and one of our Year 3 children summed up the approach to this value beautifully during a discussion in assembly last week when they commented that *'The best way to make a friend is to be a good one yourself.'* Through our assemblies and PSHE work we will be reflecting on friendship; specifically how to be a good friend, what we value in our friends and how to positively resolve our disagreements when friendship goes wrong. We will also be reviewing during this term our approaches to Anti-Bullying and the children's role in keeping themselves safe in school, at home and on the internet.

If you are interested in further guidance on Loddon's Anti-Bullying policy this can be accessed via the policy section of the school website at <http://www.loddonprimary.co.uk/>



PE Kit

It has become noticeable of late that an increased number of children especially in Y3-6 do not have kit/clothes available for PE lessons. PE is an essential part of our school curriculum and has very well-known health and well-being benefits. All children are expected to have PE kit in school for lessons; we would recommend that kit is available in school every day. Please note that where children do not have kit available they may be asked to borrow clothing from a spare school set to ensure that they do not miss out on their national curriculum teaching.



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Safety in the mornings - School doors open at 8.45

Please can we remind all parents/carers that the school doors do not open until 8.45am each morning. Children should not be left unattended on site before this time as staff are not available to supervise them. Can we also remind everyone that bicycles and scooters should not be ridden on the school site.



Cloakrooms KS2 - small bags only please!

Having moved our cloakrooms to the KS2 corridor can we request that children only bring into school a small bag containing essential items for learning. We do not have sufficient room in the corridors for large holdalls and ruck sacks to be safely stored - thank you.

Boots for Winter

Wearing Boots - A few parents have asked about children wearing boots into school in winter. Your child may wear smart, plain, black and flat boots to school during the winter. If you imagine the kind of shoes that are school uniform any boots should be of a similar type. Uggs, fashion boots or colours other than black are not uniform and if worn should be changed for school shoes on arrival at school. Children wearing black boots will still need their usual change of footwear for PE lessons.

Author Event

To kick start half term, performance poet A F Harold and award winning writer and illustrator Chris Riddell will be visiting Chapter One book shop in Woodley (11am) and Waterstones in Reading (3pm) on Saturday the 23rd of October. Having seen AF Harold perform on a number of occasions, I can highly recommend this as an exciting opportunity to see an engaging and comical children's poet along with being able to meet Chris Riddell who is the current children's laureate. Miss Routh

Travelling Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who visited the Travelling Book Fair on Tuesday 6th October - Monday 12th October. We raised a fantastic £805.46 in commission to spend on new books for the School Library.



Project Paddington - St Nicolas Church

St Nicolas Church is collecting teddy bears to send to refugee children who have left everything behind. If you would like to give to a child then please bring your bear with a note from your child attached to its neck to St Nicolas on Sutcliffe Avenue; there is a box for donations in the front porch. The charity Tearfund are delivering the bears, it costs £3 per bear; if you would like to donate money to help then please give it to the school office in an envelope labelled "Project Paddington".

Parent Hut

And finally we are very pleased that so many families are regularly accessing the Parent Hut however, please can we ask that if you do so you clear the toys away when you have finished and leave the room tidy for the next visitor.

Yours sincerely



Mrs. S. Phillips
Headteacher



Diary Events List: Autumn Term 2015

Date	Time	Event
16/10/15	15.00-17.00	Eid and Diwali celebration - The Main Hall
21-23/10/15	All day	Y5 residential trip to PGL
21/10/15	09.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
26/10/15	All week	Half Term holiday
02/11/15	All day	INSET day - school closed for staff training
03/11/15	13.30-15.00	REInspired Y3 session at Brookside Church on Creation
04/11/15	09.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
04/11/15	18.00-19.00	Y4 Ufton and PGL interest parents' meeting
05/11/15	10.15	FSU Monthly tour for prospective F1 parents
11/11/15	09.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
12/11/15	15.00-15.20	Y5 Sharing assembly - Parents/carers welcome
18/11/15	09.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
18/11/15	18.00-19.30	Governor Curriculum Committee meeting - by invitation of the Chair or Headteacher
19/11/15	09.00-11.00	School open morning
20/11/15	During day	Individual school photos
25/11/15	8.30-9.30	Environment Committee meeting - by invitation of the Chair or Headteacher
25/11/15	09.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
25/11/15	18.00-19.00	Assessment Parent Workshop
01/12/15	10.00-12.00	Y6 REInspired World Aids day session at St Nicolas Church
02/12/15	09.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
02/12/15	18.00-19.30	Full Governing Body meeting - attendance by invitation of the Chair or Headteacher
03/12/15	All day	Y6 trip to Kew Gardens
03/12/15	10.15	FSU Monthly tour for prospective F1 parents
04/12/15	14.00	FSU production dress rehearsal to the school
07/12/15	14.00	FSU production performance for parents & carers
08/12/15	13.30-15.00	Y6 REInspired Faith In Action session at Brookside Church
09/12/15	09.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
11/12/15	14.00	KS1 production dress rehearsal to the school
13/12/15	17.00	Wokingham Schools carol concert at LVLC
14/12/15	14.00	KS1 production performance for parents & carers
15/12/15	18.00	KS1 production performance for parents & carers
16/12/15	09.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
17/12/15	lunchtime	Christmas lunch menu served
18/12/15	9.30-11.30	Christmas service at St Nicolas Church
18/12/15	End of day	Final day of Autumn term - Children finish 30 minutes earlier.



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