

LODDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

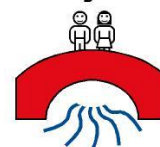
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Primary School



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NEWSLETTER NO 3

Dear Parents/Carers,



Parents Evening Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th October

A reminder that Parents' evenings for Year 1-6 will be next Tuesday and Wednesday 4-7pm. If you have yet to sign up for a slot please either use the sign-up sheets outside the office on Monday morning or contact the office to arrange an appointment on your behalf.

Some of our local Secondary Schools will also be available in the Meeting room by the front entrance Tuesday and Wednesday.

Our governors will be present in the ICT suite 4.30-7pm allowing parents to contribute to a school survey and also to ask questions or give feedback on how you feel we are progressing as a school currently. We hope you will spare a few minutes to contribute to this discussion.

School run clubs Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th October

Please note that any clubs taking place after school which are usually run by our teachers, will not take place next Tuesday and Wednesday due to parents evening.



Travelling Book Fair

The Travelling Book Fair (www.travellingbooks.co.uk) will be visiting school on Tuesday 8th October - Monday 14th October. It will be open after school from 3.20 - 4pm (6pm on Wednesday 9th October). There are hundreds of exciting books to choose from with prices starting from just £1.00. 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!

Strike Action by NASUWT/NUT - Thursday 17th October

As you may have heard in the national press the two main teaching unions NASUWT and NUT are planning strike action on the 17th October. There is no requirement on Unions to tell us which of its members will be striking however, the majority of teachers at Loddon have indicated to me that whilst they share concern about the significant changes to terms and conditions, workloads, pensions and policies for education that have triggered this call for strike action they do not wish to strike on this occasion due to the disruption this would potentially cause to children's learning at Loddon.

Therefore I expect that the school will be fully open on the 17th October. Should this situation change then parents will be notified via the usual communication methods of the website, letters home and parent mail.



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Values Education - Quality

This month we are continuing our work on the value 'Quality'. Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded a 'Quality House Gem'.

- ✓ Elise B (Y1) quality writing
- ✓ Aleena O (Y3) quality pottery design
- ✓ Aryaan A (Y3) quality maths work
- ✓ Sophie H (Y3) consistent effort in all areas of work, producing quality, including beautiful swimming.
- ✓ Kane E (Y4) worked hard in maths, applying division and multiplication knowledge to solve problems.
- ✓ Ryan M (Y4) gave quality explanations about friction such as ice and grips on F1 tyres.
- ✓ Amina Q (Y5) excellent quality home learning, going over and beyond what was asked!
- ✓ Jack R (Y5) gave quality explanations during science last week he explained in detail what had happened and why, using scientific vocabulary.
- ✓ Azzam (6AR) consistently demonstrated high quality presentation in his work across all subject areas.
- ✓ Ross N (Y6) improved quality of writing - both handwriting and content.



Parent Governor Elections September 2013

We only received one nomination by the deadline and so Richard Frazier has been duly elected to serve as parent governor for the next four years. We would like to welcome Richard to the governing body and thank him for putting his name forward. Richard is new to Loddon as his son Isaac started in Foundation this term, but he is not new to the role of a school governor as he chairs the Curriculum Committee at Radstock Primary where his older son is a pupil in year 4. I am sure that Richard will get to know many of you in the playground or at parents' events over the coming weeks. In the meantime you can contact the governors at any time through the school office or by emailing clerk.governors@loddon.wokingham.sch.uk

School Council Election Results

Below are this year's School Council representatives. They have been voted for by their class councils. The council will meet for the first time next Wednesday where they will decide on actions for this academic year. Thank you to all children who volunteered to be on the School Council this year. If you have any queries regarding School Council, please contact Mrs. Didcock or Mrs. Clapperton.

1CC	Katie & William	1PW	Abigail & Yashas
2CK	Caitlin & Daniel	2TE	Gracie & Luca
3GE	Freya & Callum	3MT	Sophie & Zeeshan
4RM	Nyah & Owen	4SW	Sophie & Rhys
5KF	Damini & Sean	5KT	Parveen & William
6AR	Courtney & Joshua (Elliott - 1 term transition)	6LA	Pearl & Louis (Lucy - 1 term transition)

Y6 Sharing Assembly 3pm on Thursday 10th October in the main hall

Y6 would be happy to welcome parents/carers of Y6 children to join them for their assembly at 3pm on Thursday 10th October. This will be an opportunity to share some of the work they have been doing so far this term.

Daffodil bulbs

A big thank you to Dobbies Garden Centres PLC who have donated Daffodil bulbs that will fill our planters with colour during the Spring term. Mrs. Taylor and the Eco Group will be busy planting the bulbs over the next week or so.



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Second Hand Uniform Sales - Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th October

Thanks to all of you who have donated clean and folded items in good condition. We have received so many uniform donations that it is time for another sale!

- **When?** Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th October
- **Where?** Main playground outside the school office or, in case of rain, in the Parent Hut.
- **Times?** 3:15pm-4pm, then from 4:15-7pm in the school foyer area throughout both Parents' Evenings.

Remember to bring your money if you would like to buy. Prices for second hand items range from 30p for polo tops to £2.00 for a logo sweatshirt and £3.00 for a logo fleece. Proceeds are donated to the PTA for the benefit of all children.

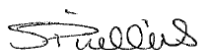
Costumes for School productions

We would like to build up a collection of costumes that can be used for school productions and drama activities across all year groups.

If you have any unwanted costumes, dressing up clothes, glasses or hats that are clean and still in good condition, then we would be grateful of any donations.

Please bring donations into school in a labelled (e.g. policeman aged 5-6) plastic bag, to be given to Miss Routh (6AR) or your child's class teacher.

Yours sincerely



Mrs. S. Phillips
Headteacher

Diary Events List - Autumn Term 2013

Date	Time	Event
08/10/13	15.15-16.00	Second hand uniform sale in the playground
8-14/10/13	15.20-16.00	Travelling Book Fair in The Library
08/10/13	16.00-19.00	F2 , Y1-Y6 Parent Consultation Appointments
09/10/13	9.00-10.00	Weekly Parent tea/coffee in the Hut
09/10/13	16.00-19.00	F2 , Y1-Y6 Parent Consultation Appointments
10/10/13	15.00	Y6 Sharing assembly for Parents
10/10/13	20.00-21.30	PSP Coffee evening in the Hut
14/10/13	All week	Sense of Place week
16/10/13	9.00-10.00	Weekly Parent tea/coffee in the Hut
18/10/13	17.30-19.00	PTA Disco for children in years 1, 2 and 3
18/10/13	19.30-21.00	PTA Disco for children in years 4, 5 and 6
22/10/13	13.30	Y1 REInspired Baptism and Belonging at St. Nicolas Church
22/10/13	18-20.00	Full Governors Committee meeting: attendance by invitation from Chair & HT
23/10/13	3 days	Y5 residential trip to PGL
23/10/13	9.00-10.00	Weekly Parent tea/coffee in the Hut
28/10/13	All week	Half term holiday