

LODDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

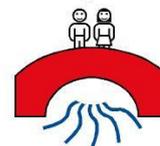
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NEWSLETTER NO 4

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.

Matthew C	Stingrays	Air	Showing determination in his reading.
Sriram P	Stingrays	Earth	Quality, resilience and perseverance in class.
Caitlin G	Turtles	Fire	Understanding friendship and sharing ideas in a poem.
Zain Q	Kites	Fire	Perseverance when completing a Maths task.

Value of the month - Responsibility

This month's value is responsibility. Our work will include discussing the ideas that responsibility is about being fair, doing my share of the work, taking care of myself and others, caring for the school, local community and wider environment. We will also consider the link between individual rights and liberties and the responsibilities that come with these for example every child has the right to an education and it is every child's responsibility to then try their hardest in their learning.

Please support our work on this value by encouraging your children to take increased responsibility for school routines such as wearing the correct uniform, completing home learning on time or sharing messages/letters from school. Increased ownership of these routines will support your children to develop the idea of personal responsibility as they grow older and eventually reduce the amount you have to do on their behalf!



Everyone's Responsibility to Safeguard Children

Everyone has a responsibility to safeguard and protect children and if you are concerned about a child at our school you should report this. If you have any worries about a child or young person who you feel is being ill-treated please share this information urgently as children and/or their parents may need help.

You can share information via:

A conversation with the Designated Child Protection Officer at school. (See names below)

The Early Help Hub (Children's Safeguarding and Social Care Team) Telephone 0118 908 8002 or email: triage@wokingham.gcsx.gov.uk;

Emergency Duty Team - out of office hours: telephone: 01344 786 543

Thames Valley Police: telephone 101

NSPCC (National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children) 24 Hour Helpline: 0808 800 5000

In emergency call 999.

The designated person for Child Protection at our school is Mrs Sarah Phillips and in her absence Miss Lucy Andrews or Mrs Gemma Didcock. Further information about our school practices in relation to safeguarding are available in our Safeguarding Policy which can be read via the school website or a copy can be requested at the school office.



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Bug Club Launch

Recently the school have purchased an online resource called Bug Club which has hundreds of interactive resources to support Reading, Spelling and Phonics. This is a fantastic and engaging resource which includes key questions related to the reading assessment focuses and fun activities to support your child with their learning in Grammar. Your child's teacher can allocate resources and books which can then be accessed via the Learning Platform. The more questions and activities your child answers, the more points they earn to build virtual worlds within Bug Club. To access this amazing resource, the children need to log into the Learning Platform with their existing login and password.

The school code for bug club is a3qj and children will need this to log in.



Loddon Loves Reading

At Loddon Primary one of the greatest gifts in education we can give to our children is a love of reading. The learning they gain from being immersed in a rich variety of both fiction and non-fiction books ignites their curiosity and desire to find out more. Ultimately the goal is that through reading we encourage our children to become life-long learners and we would like your invaluable support with this. In partnership with you we want to encourage our children to read as frequently as possible and therefore ask that you support us in the following ways:

- Sign your child's home learning diary every time they read, even if this is independently and not out aloud. The more they read, the greater the number of house points they earn.
- Ask your child questions about the book and always encourage them to refer back to the text to support their answers.
- Promote a love of reading.

'Free' Maths and English classes at Loddon Primary School

Bracknell College via (Wokingham Borough Council) have provided us with an opportunity to run 'free' Maths and English classes at Loddon Primary School in the early part of the year 2016.

The programmes is 30 hours long (typically meeting once per week over 15 weeks for 2 hours) held in the Parent Hut which leads to a recognised City & Guilds qualification. We would need full commitment from parents/guardians that they could attend for the duration of the courses and complete the final assessment. Please let me know if are interested to register, before the 16th December 2015.

If you would like further details please contact Kam Bhogal (PSA). *Kam Bhogal*



Reminder - playing on site before and after school

Please can we remind all Loddon families and friends that non-school organised play, especially ball games, should not be taking place on school site before or after school. This is for a number of reasons including the reduced level of facilities such as first aid available in school before 8.45am and after 3.45pm, the increased likelihood of an accident happening on site if playing at dusk on unlit surfaces and that school is unable to take responsibility for activities of this sort when we have not risk assessed or organised the activity ourselves. We would ask that families and friends are respectful of our request not to play these games on site out of hours - thank you.



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Congratulations to Gardening Club and Miss Benson

Year 5 and 6 members of the Gardening Club recently made a scarecrow to enter in a competition at Newbury Showground. Grandpa NODDOL as he became known won 3rd prize out of 25 entrants and now stands proudly in our garden area at the school. The prize money will enable us to buy supplies for future planting. Very well done to everyone involved!

Star Baker for Children In Need

The Star Baker for the 'Children In Need' charity took place in the parent hut on Wednesday morning and we had a great turn out. Congratulations to Loddon's STAR BAKER Kirsten Cowell (a Year 4 Mum) and the runner up Dr Zainul Leitch (Mum of a child in Year 3). We appreciate the time and effort made by everyone. Photos have been displayed on the Parent Hut door. A big thank you to the other contestants who took part, our judges from FSU (Mrs Ridell and Mrs Griffin) had difficulty in deciding, as all cakes were scrumptious and aesthetically pleasing! The event raised £34.73 towards the BBC Children In Need charity appeal.

Vacancy for an Office Cleaner

Ridgecrest who are the company that clean the school, are looking for an office cleaner to work 2 hours per day between 3.30-5.30pm. If you would like to find out more about the vacancy please contact Steve Locke on 07793242252.

Fairytale Fashion - A Costume Presentation by the History Wardrobe Monday November 30th 6pm to 7pm
Once upon a time... Step into your favourite stories as we explore the world of magical clothes - the red riding hood, cloaks of invisibility, seven league boots and, of course, the legendary glass slippers.
 In *Fairytale Fashion* we explore the enchanting history of the Princess dress, from Cinderella's ball gown to Princess Diana and Disney. A dazzling fairy godmother dresses Cinderella for all the glory of an 18th Century ball. Taking place at Woodley Library, £10 charge for adults £5 charge for children eight and over.
 To book a place please call Woodley Library on (0118) 9690304

Yours sincerely

Mrs. S. Phillips
 Headteacher

Diary Events List: Autumn Term 2015

Date	Time	Event
13/11/15	As shown	PTA Disco Y1-6. (Y1-3 @ 17-18.15, Y4-6 @ 19-20.15)
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



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Date	Time	Event
25/11/15	09.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning in The Hut
25/11/15	18.00-19.00	Assessment Parent Workshop
27/11/15	9.30-12.00	Flu vaccination for children in Y1-2.
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
05/12/15	14.00-16.00	Christmas Fayre
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
10/12/15	TBC	PTA FSU PJ party
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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