# LODDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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#### **NEWSLETTER NO 6**

Dear Parents/Carers,



# Learning Platform Latest News for Year 1 to Year 6 parents

If you would like to find out more about what your child is learning at school ask them to show you the latest resources on our learning platform. This can be accessed via the 'its learning' logo at the top of our school website. From here you can view the information that is relevant to your child's year group along with a variety of associated learning and information resources.

We will shortly be issuing individual parent logins, on a rollout year group basis, to provide you with additional information relating to your child's learning activities. If you have any queries please email Mrs Elliott at tracey.elliott@loddon.wokingham.sch.uk.



### Anti-Bullying

This month, as part of our value of Responsibility we will be revisiting Anti-Bullying strategies within assemblies and asking the children to give feedback on their current experiences at Loddon.

We also encourage families to speak to us immediately if you have any concerns about your child. It is always easier to deal with problems which are small rather than ones that have continued over a longer time. Usually you child's class teacher will be the most appropriate person to contact however, team leaders, the Deputy Headteacher, Headteacher or other staff members are also here to assist. You might also like to note that there is a 'Worry Box' section within 'Its Learning' which can be used by your child to share information with us.

Our trained Y5 and 6 'Peer Mediators' are available to support with friendship disagreements at lunchtimes. They do a great job with this and have been trained when to pass concerns to adults in school should they be of a more significant nature.

Dealing with Bullying can be complex so please work with us on your child's behalf. Whilst it might be tempting to encourage your child to hit back or take action yourself rather than come into school this rarely leads to positive change. Please instead give us the information and time needed to work together to resolve the situation to everyone's satisfaction.

If you would like further information around Bullying there are a number of useful resources on the Child Line website. Our Parent Support Advisor Claire Allison will be offering workshops to parents around this topic on 22nd January at 9am and again on the 5th February at 6pm. Please look out for further details.















#### House Gems

As we continue our work on the value of 'Responsibility'. Congratulations to the following children who have received a Values 'House Gem'.

Olivia G (Y3) Responsible behaviour when helping in class

Lucas 5 (Y3) Taking responsibility for looking after the tennis rackets others had used

Joey B (Y3) Responsible attitude and hard work

Abidah B (Y5) Responsible behaviour and helping a friend

Subash 5 (Y3) Tidying up even though it wasn't his mess!

### Parking around school

We regularly ask for your support in promoting and ensuring the safety of pupils, families and staff on the roads around school. You may be aware that the police are issuing penalty notices to drivers parked illegally on roads around the school site. If you have to use your car to drop off and pick up your children then please park safely and considerately. If you notice a vehicle that is persistently parked illegally then please let the school office know the number plate, make and model and we will inform the police.



## **Books that Help Parents**

We have recently bought some books that can help parents with a wide range of family and parenting issues. General parenting books cover relevant topics from toddlers to pre-teens. There are also some books that cover topics relating to divorce and separation. These books will be available for parents to browse each week at Parent Tea / Coffee in the Hut every Wednesday 9-10 am. Parents can also borrow a book for a 2 week period to read at home. Books will need to be signed out if they are borrowed and returned promptly please. Look out for flyers in book bags next week which show the book titles. You can also view the flyer on the school website under Parents>Parent Support.

Claire Allison - Parent Support

# Wokingham Borough White Ribbon Week 25th - 29th November 2013 Standing together against Domestic Abuse

If you would like to know about services offered in and around Wokingham Borough that can help keep you and your loved ones stay safe, come along to one of our community events. Someone will be on hand each day for an informal chat, whether for information for you or someone you know. If you prefer not to talk then pop along for a hot drink and browse our information stands.

Wokingham Town Centre 25<sup>th</sup> November 10am - 2pm Woodley Town Centre 26<sup>th</sup> November 10am - 2pm Finchampstead Childrens Centre 27<sup>th</sup> November 10am - 2pm ASDA Lower Earley 28<sup>th</sup> November 10am-2pm Twyford and Disctrict Youth Centre 29<sup>th</sup> November 10am - 2pm

For more information please visit our website: www.wokingham.gov.uk/communities/communitysafety/domesticabuse

## Eid and Diwali celebration

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Eid and Diwali celebration on 8th November. We had a very successful afternoon coming together as a community to enjoy the wonderful food and activities on offer.













# BBC Children in Need Charity appeal 2013

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Children in Need cake sale. Well done to the children from the School Council for arranging the event and helping on the stall. The cake sale raised £298.94 and a further £138.40 was raised by children bringing a bear to school and/or wearing Pudsey accessories. Altogether we raised a grand total of £437.34. Also thank you to Rachel M in Y4 who raised a further £100 with the sale of friendship bracelets she had made.

## Request for used light bulbs

Do you have any used light bulbs that you would be happy to donate to a Year 6 Art /DT project? If so please hand them to Year 6 teachers or bring them into the School Office. Year 6 need them by Wednesday 27th November. Thank you.

Yours sincerely

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Mrs. S. Phillips Headteacher

Diary Events List - Autumn Term 2013

| Date     | Time        | Event   |
|----------|-------------|---|
| 26/11/13 | 18.00-20.00 | Curriculum Committee: attendance by invitation from Chair & HT                    |
| 27/11/13 | 9.00-10.00  | Weekly Parent tea/coffee in the Hut   |
| 28/11/13 | 10.00-11.30 | Y6 REInspired "WAD" at St. Nicolas Church   |
| 29/11/13 | All day     | PTA Mufti day in aid of Christmas fayre   |
| 02/12/13 | All week    | Last week of School-run clubs   |
| 04/12/13 | 9.00-10.00  | Weekly Parent tea/coffee in the Hut   |
| 05/12/13 | 10am        | FSU Nativity 'Shine Star Shine!' - Dress rehearsal performance for School         |
| 05/12/13 | 20-21.30    | Parents Supporting Parents group in the Hut - All welcome                         |
| 06/12/13 | 10.15-11.15 | F1 Tour of Foundation Stage Unit for prospective families                         |
| 07/12/13 | 14.00-16.00 | PTA Christmas fayre   |
| 09/12/13 | 13.30-15.00 | FSU Nativity 'Shine Star Shine!' - Performance for families                       |
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| 10/12/13 | 10.00-11.30 | Y6 REInspired "Faith in Action" at St. Nicolas Church                             |
| 11/12/13 | All day     | Governor Day in School  |
| 11/12/13 | 9.00-10.00  | Weekly Parent tea/coffee in the Hut   |
| 13/12/13 | 13.30-14.30 | Lower Team Production 'A Midwife Crisis' - Dress rehearsal performance for School |
| 16/12/13 | 14.00-15.00 | Lower Team Production 'A Midwife Crisis' - Performance for families               |
| 17/12/13 | 18.00-19.00 | Lower Team Production 'A Midwife Crisis' - Performance for families               |
| 18/12/13 | 9.00-10.00  | Weekly Parent tea/coffee in the Hut   |
| 18/12/13 | 11.00-14.00 | FSU Christmas Party (all part time children attend during this time only)         |
| 19/12/13 | 12.00-13.30 | School Christmas lunch menu only - No alternative meal served                     |
| 20/12/13 | 9.30-11.30  | Christmas service at St. Nicolas Church   |
| 20/12/13 | 11.10am     | FSU morning children finish early at 11.10am.                                     |













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| 20/12/13 | pm          | Y1-Y6 Class Parties  |
| 20/12/13 | 2.50pm      | FSU afternoon children finish early at 2.50pm.                           |
| 20/12/13 | 3pm         | End of pupil Autumn term Y1-6 children finish early at 3pm.              |
| 21/12/13 |             | CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY  |
| 22/12/13 | 17.00       | PTA family pantomime trip to Jack and the Beanstalk at the Hexagon.      |
| 06/01/14 |             | Staff Training Day SCHOOL CLOSED   |
| 07/01/14 |             | Start of Pupil Spring term.  |
| 13/01/14 | All week    | First week of School-run clubs   |
| 14/01/14 | pm          | Y2 REInspired Signs and Symbols at St Nicolas Church                     |
| 21/01/14 | 8.30-9.30   | Personnel & Finance Committees: attendance by invitation from Chair & HT |
| 29/01/14 | 18.00-20.00 | Governor Curriculum Committee: attendance by invitation from Chair & HT  |











