

Loddington Church of England Primary School Newsletter



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Friday 6th May 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

This is a short, but busy half term, with lots to pack in, as always.

We have been very busy behind the scenes, organising the removal of our oil storage tanks, which will take place over the summer break, in order to become more carbon neutral. A heat pump will replace our tanks. We are also updating aspects of the children's toilets and some windows in both buildings.

Next week, our Year 6 children will undertake their SAT tests, which resume post lockdown. We will ensure they get off to a flying start with a full English breakfast each morning. Year 2 will also undertake their SAT tests the week after. The children have worked incredibly hard in the build up to these assessments and we know they will do their very best.

Wishing you all a very happy weekend.

Mrs Dowsett

Our School Value Focus this half term is:



Trust



"Those who trust in the lord will never be disappointed."

Isiah 49:23

Our School Office Email address has changed

Our school office email address has changed to: office@loddington.pdet.org.uk
Please use this new email to correspond with our School Office.

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Ethos Committee News

The Reading Retreat and Place of Prayer Cabin space is looking very colourful with our canvas art work depicting The Story of Christianity.

Please do join us at our Time for God Service at St. Leonard's Church, Loddington this Sunday at 9:15 for a presentation on belonging.



Sporting News

Mr Umney is busy preparing for golf, cricket and tennis competitions. Look out for news on his upcoming clubs soon.

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School Council News

Please see our poster below with information about raising money for our chosen charity, Barnardo's.

Loddington Cake Bake Sale



Please join us on Friday 13th May at 3:20pm on the front playground to buy some delicious cakes and treats.

We are raising money for our chosen charity: Barnardo's.

Pocket money prices - 20p/30p/50p/£1

Parents/Carers/Grandparents/Friends

Can you help bake or buy some cakes for us to sell please? If so, please send in your tasty treats on the morning of Friday 13th May.



PLEASE SUPPORT US!

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Loddington School Jubilee Celebrations

Party on The Playground

Dear Parents/Carers,

*We invite you to celebrate the Queen's Platinum
Jubilee on*

Friday 27th May from 1:30pm

*Please bring your picnic blankets and enjoy
refreshments served by our FOLs team - tea/coffee
and a range of cakes (All funds raised go back into the
School).*

*The children will entertain you in song and
drama, highlighting Her Majesty the Queen's 70-
year reign.*

A full programme to follow soon.

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Online Safety

Supporting, setting up and implementing the 4 D's at home is vital for children:

- **Digital free zones** – keep technology out of bedrooms if we can, maybe use it in a familyroom, identify early on where technology is not allowed in the house, flat etc
- **Digital role models** – parents and carers lead by example online and with digital usage
- **Digital sunset** – ideally young people need to come away from technology 1 hour before they go to sleep, but pick your battles. What time do you think is appropriate for your children to come away from technology to get a good nights sleep?
- **Digital detox** – as a family try a gadget free day or hour. Try no technology after 6pm or a certain time, have break before breakfast or in the morning, can dinner tables be digital free zones and have a break and time out over dinner.

Jargon Buster

Gamer Tag

An alter ego made from an alias, picture or avatar.

Grooming

Someone who gains a child's trust for sexual exploitation or trafficking.

Griefer

Someone who deliberately harasses online gamers.



House Teams Tally - Weekly Winners



Date	House Team Colour
22 nd April	Red
29 th April	Blue
6 th May	Yellow

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Our School Prayers

Year R/1

Dear God, thank you for the people in our lives that we can trust. Especially for our parents, teachers and friends who help to teach us. Please help all those who might feel like they have no one to trust in their lives. Help them to know that they can trust and rely on you. Amen.

Year 2

Dear Lord, please can you help us to find trust with a new friend. Friendship would be harder to show without trust. Please trust us to take care of your world, I am sorry for those who have broken this trust. Amen.

Year 3/4

Dear Lord, we thank you for our school family and community. Please help us grow together as we learn, build friendships and show our faith in you. Thank you for showing we can always trust in you and your guidance. Help us to become trustworthy people who always show kindness, honesty and thoughtfulness. We thank you Lord. Amen.

Year 5/6

Dear God, thank you that we can always trust you. We know that you won't ever let us down or leave us on our own. You are always there for us. Amen.



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Year R/1 - Phoenix

What a great start to the Summer term Phoenix class have had. We have been very busy exploring our new topic 'Spring to life' with a very exciting delivery of our class caterpillars. The children are loving watching the caterpillars grow and are very excited to check in on them daily! We are looking forward to observing the caterpillars changing over the next few weeks. In English, the children have been writing recounts based on their Forest School trip. All the children have amazed me with the independence that they have shown in this task and have written such lovely recounts. In Maths, the Reception children have been recognising and building numbers to 20 and the Year 1 children have been exploring capacity with lots of hands on experiments. What a wonderful start back to term Phoenix class, keep up the good work! 😊



Year 2 - Dragon

What a busy start back Dragon class have had! This week we have been focusing on quarters and thirds in Maths, using counters and cubes and drawing to help us. In English we have started our next Narrative using Stardust by Jeanne Willis as well as looking at different types of sentences and spellings in our Grammar focused lessons. In Reading, we have been finding and copying synonyms of words as well as continuing to strengthen our inference skills. In Science, we have started our Plants unit and are closely observing our French beans and Dutch Iris bulbs as they begin to grow! We have also tested if seeds can germinate in the light and dark - with interesting results! We have then discussed different experiments to carry out that would test what plants need to be healthy. We will start these tests from next week! In History, we have begun our Summer Term unit of Explorers! We have looked at what life was like in the 1400s and life for a merchant at that time - particularly Christopher Columbus! This week we found out about his first voyage to where he thought was India! 😊

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Year 3/4 - Centaur

It has been a busy start to the term in Centaur class. In English, we have been working on writing a narrative using the picture book "Flood" as a stimulus. This book has no words, so we have been enjoying building our own writing to fit the pictures, which tell the story of a family who have to leave their home because of a terrible storm. In Maths, we have started a unit on fractions, carrying out practical lessons to develop our understanding of what fractions are. In Science, we are looking at food chains and have learned how all living things are part of a food chain. Next week, we will be going on a walk around our local area to see if we can spot any examples, and we will begin to construct some food chains back in the classroom. Finally, we have started our new unit of work in History on the Anglo Saxons and have transported ourselves back to the end of the Roman era. In RE, we started considering why festivals and celebrations are important to different religions. Finally, we welcome William into our class, who has settled really well into life at Loddington - well done William! Keep up the amazing work Centaur class!!" 😊



Year 5/6 - Griffin

Since returning from the Easter holidays, Griffin class have been working incredibly hard. We have been concentrating on revision for the upcoming SATs, the Year 6 children have been very focused with their work and they should all be very proud of themselves for the huge amounts of effort they have put in. In our new Science topic all about 'Evolution and Inheritance,' the children have been looking at how animals have adapted to their environment in order to survive. They worked in groups to complete research on a variety of species. In Music with Mr Adams, they have been working on a new unit related to their Geography unit on the Amazon, using their bodies and tuned instruments to create percussion. In our Geography unit, the children looked in depth at how the land of the Amazon is used across different communities. We had great discussions reflecting on moral dilemmas surrounding the controversy of how the land is used and who should have most rights. Have a lovely weekend Griffin Class! Year 6 make sure you have a rest, don't worry about next week you will all be amazing. 😊

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Dates for your Diary

Monday 9 th - Thursday 12 th May	Year 6 SATs week. (Please ensure your child arrives at school between 7.45am & 8am to have a cooked breakfast).
Friday 13 th May	Loddington Cake Bake Sale, 3.20pm, Front playground
Wednesday 18 th May	Year 5/6 Tennis Competition - SELECTED CHILDREN ONLY More information to follow.
Friday 20 th May	Year 6 School photos ONLY (Please ensure your child comes to school dressed in School uniform with their PE kit in a backpack).
Friday 27 th May	Jubilee Celebrations - Party on the Playground, 1.30pm
Friday 27 th May	SCHOOL CLOSSES at 3.20pm - MAY HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Monday 6 th June	SCHOOL RE-OPENS at 8.40am
<p>PE Days - please ensure your child comes to school dressed in their PE Kit Year R/1 Wednesday, Year 2 Monday, Year 3/4 Tuesday, Year 5/6 Friday</p>	



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