

LPPS Newsletter

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For vital notices and dates of open classes, assemblies, clubs

Next week's life skill focus: **Manners**

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Year 6 have their end of KS2 assessments next week and all year 6 children are **strongly encouraged to come into school for Year 6 breakfast** on each of the test days. While having a good free breakfast before the test, the children also have the opportunity to chat to their friends and this calms any nerves. There is no charge for this breakfast. If they already come to Breakfast Club, then they can eat with Year 6 instead.

On 13th-16th May, children should come into the hall via main reception at 8.15am. They will take their coats and bags down to Year 6 after they have eaten. Children who cannot attend should come into school as normal at 8.40am using the Breakfast Club door too as registration will take place in the hall. However, it's worth noting that there has always been 100% take up for the opportunity to socialise at 8.15am.

Year 6 has recently written letters to Dominos and Subway asking if they would provide a donation for our end of SATs celebrations. We have now heard back from both businesses who have kindly agreed to donate food. Therefore, Year 6 do not need to bring lunch with them on **Thursday 16th May** (although they may still wish to bring a snack for breacktime or something to eat for lunch if they do not like pizza, sandwiches or cookies!) As a thank-you for working so hard this year.

Year 6 will be having a further special treat next **Friday morning (17th May)**. We will be leaving school around 9am and walking to Cineworld to see the film, Spiderman; into a *SPIDER-VERSE*. Please ensure that your child wears their school uniform, and a waterproof/warm coat (or sun hat if we are lucky with the weather!) They will also need to bring in a packed lunch as we will have a picnic in the park on the way back.

The week beginning 20th May, **year 2** will be undertaking their SATs also. These are required by the government to inform teacher assessments for the children. The dates are: 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd May. All take place in the morning in calm, supportive environments and we encourage a similar balanced approach at home as not to cause any unnecessary anxiety. A polite reminder, please ensure your child is in school on all the above dates; if for any reason they cannot attend please do inform us as soon as possible.

Year 1 loved having ZooLab in yesterday. Gary shared his personal zoo with us to help us learn about animal classification or groups. We met Bilbo the tiger snail, Gary Barlow the hissing cockroach, Monty the tree frog, Tatter the pink coral snake and Luna the gerbil. The children were very brave and respectful handling the animals. They were brimming with science and animal facts for their list writing the next day. Well done Year 1!

Year 2 had an exciting time, travelling back in time to the Viking era this week. We even got to meet a tough and strong Viking called Bjorn. He taught us lots of new things and we were able to practise our fighting skills, as well as handling real weaponry. We pretended to be real Vikings, making up a Viking name and writing it using the Viking alphabet. We had a truly fantastic day. Year 2

Yesterday, **Year 3** went on a trip to Didcot Railway Centre. "We saw some trains that they used in World War 2 time and we were able to have a ride on one. We also saw a carriage used to carry Spitfire propellers. We were able to experience going into an air raid shelter and felt that it would have been petrifying to have been down there as the lights flickered on and off. We had a go signalling trains which was really hard. All of us really enjoyed it." *By children in Year 3*

The manager of the centre was very complimentary, saying that the children were an asset to the school.

Next week – No music lessons next week due to SATS

| Date | Activity | Time | Place | Notes |
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| Mon 13 th May | Yr 6 SATS | morning | Year 6 | Yr 6 to attend Breakfast Club |
| Tues 14 th May | Yr 6 SATS Nature through Nurture Club Library Club | morning 3.15pm-4pm 3.15pm-4pm | Year 6 Class 6 Library | Yr 6 to attend Breakfast Club |
| Weds 15 th May | Yr 6 SATS Spanish Club | morning 3.15pm-4pm | Year 6 Class 8 | Yr 6 to attend Breakfast Club |
| Thurs 16 th May | Yr 6 SATS Year 4 Swimming Year 5 Cake Crumbly Netball Club Arts and Crafts Club Girls Football Club | morning morning 3.10pm 3.15pm-4.15pm 3.15pm-4pm 3.15pm-4.15pm | Year 6 Harwell Sch Courtyard Class 15 Class 6 Class 11 | Yr 6 to attend Breakfast Club Remember to bring cakes to sell |
| Fri 17 th May | Yr 6 Cinema Trip Yr 3 VE Day Celebration + Open Classrooms | morning 2.30pm | Cineworld Year 3 | Parents are invited |

NOTICES ...

Advanced notice..... **Sports Day** is on 26th June during our **GET ACTIVE WEEK**. More details about this week and sports day will follow.

Andrew Markham and the school team



The Vikings
Saxons, Vikings, Celts, and Vikings Re-Enactment

Viking invaders!

The Great Heathen Army is terrorising the Anglo-Saxon kingdoms. After successfully subduing the kingdom of Mercia, the Vikings once again turn their attention to Wessex. Crossing the Thames one of the war bands reaches the village of Harwell. The local Saxons are trying to repel them while waiting for reinforcements from Wantage. Will the Saxons stand their ground or will the Vikings manage to overrun them? Visit our living history camp and talk to the Saxon and Viking ladies and men demonstrating various crafts. Ask the warriors about their weapons or to tell you stories of their brave deeds.

We would like to invite all school children and their parents to come and visit us Sunday 26th May 12pm-5pm at the Harwell Recreation Grounds. The living history camp will be open with a small arena for the warriors to train their skills, and at 2pm-2.30pm the children will have a chance to train to be in the Saxon shield wall and fight the Vikings in Kiddie Vike.

This event is free of charge.



Harwell Feast:

<https://harwellfeast.com/category/2019-feast/>

Monday 27th May Harwell Feast.

The living history camp will be open during the Feast, and the Warriors will give a weapons display and a shield wall battle in the main arena.

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