

LPPS Newsletter

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

Next week's life skill focus: **Respecting possessions**

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I hope everyone had a restful week and your children are refreshed for our last term. There is a lot of activity in Term 6 so please take time to look at our 'up and coming' events on our website.

Closure tomorrow: Thank you again for your understanding. I am aware that it is likely to have been an inconvenience that school is closed tomorrow for staff to attend Mandy Whitmarsh's funeral. Your support and kind words have met a lot to us all during this difficult time.

Congratulations to Lucy, Sammy, Olivia, Theodora, Simran, Rosie, Molly and Isla for their cake sale which raised £48.32. This will go in equal measure to their two chosen charities. Concerning a previous sale, the school has received a letter of thanks from the Salvation Army for Leah, Danielle, Katie and Zofia- well done again!

Next week: Girls Football Club is no longer running this term.

Date	Activity	Time	Place	Notes
Mon 10 th June	Phonics Check Week	All Week	KS1	See below for further information
Tues 11 th June	Cycle Training Ned's Mindset Mission Library Club	afternoon afternoon 3.15pm-4pm	Ladygrove KS2 Library	Selected Yr 5 children Letter was emailed to parents this week
Weds 12 th June	Drama PERFORM in school Spanish Club	morning 3.15pm-4pm	Hall Class 8	Classes 2, 3, 4 & 5
Thurs 13 th June	Year 4 Swimming Spelling Bee Final Class 8 Visit Didcot Library Didcot Archery Competition Year 2 Cake Crumbly Netball Club Arts and Crafts Club Girls Football Club	morning morning Morning 2.45pm 3.10pm 3.15pm-4.15pm 3.15pm-4pm 3.15pm-4.15pm	Harwell Sch Yrs 5 & 6 Didcot DGS Courtyard Class 15 Class 6 Class 11	Remember your Library Books Selected children Remember to bring cakes to sell THIS CLUB IS NO LONGER RUNNING
Fri 14 th June	Non Uniform Day	All Day	School	Sweets and Chocolate donations required

Next week it is **Phonics** testing for children in **Year 1**. The phonics screening check is statutory for all children in Year 1. It is a quick and easy check of your child's phonics knowledge and progress. All children are individuals and develop at different rates. The screening check ensures that teachers understand which children need extra help with phonic decoding.

How does the check work?

Your child will sit with their teacher in a calm, quiet area and be asked to read 40 words aloud.

Your child may have read some of the words before, while others will be completely new.

The check normally takes just a few minutes to complete and there is no time limit.

If your child is struggling, the teacher will stop the check.

The check is carefully designed not to be stressful for your child.

What are 'non-words'?

The check will contain a mix of real words and 'non-words' (or 'nonsense words').

Your child will be told before the check that there will be non-words that he or she will not have seen before.

Many children will be familiar with this because many schools already use 'non-words' when they teach phonics. Non-words are important to include because words such as 'vap' or 'jound' are new to all children.

Children cannot read the non-words by using their memory or vocabulary; they have to use their decoding skills.

This is a fair way to assess their ability to decode.

After the check

The school will inform you about your child's progress in phonics in the end-of-year report to parents.

If your child has found the check difficult, the school will put in place help for him or her to improve.

You might like to ask how you can support your child to take the next step in reading.

Children who have not met the standard in year 1 will need to retake the check in year 2.

NOTICES ...

Advanced notice..... **Sports Day** is on 26th June during our **GET ACTIVE WEEK**. More details about this week and sports day will follow. Please remember that children should now be wearing a coloured t-shirt for PE. **OAK house is a GREEN t-shirt**, **WILLOW house is a YELLOW t-shirt**, **BEECH house is a RED t-shirt**.

Book corner revamp! Do you have any spare blankets, cushions, beanbags, rugs etc lying around at home that you no longer need? Before the end of term, the whole school will be working on revamping the class reading corners so that they are inviting, comfortable and user-friendly spaces to be. This is part of our whole-school push on encouraging reading for pleasure. We are also looking for baskets, boxes and magazine files to help organise the class books so that they are easy to access. If you have anything that you think would be of use in a book corner, please bring it in to the school office. Many thanks for your support with this.

KS2 NEDS Mindset Mission is coming to LPPS on Tuesday 11th June. Letters were emailed to KS2 parents with further information this week. NED's Mindset Missions is a positive behaviour assembly visiting our school. A world-class performer will take our children on a 45 minute journey filled with storytelling, illusions, yo-yo tricks and humour. NED's message and memorable friends inspire children, promote academic achievement and support our school goals. NED will become a positive role model at both school and at home. Yo-Yo's and accessories will be available to buy on this day after school.

Armed Forces Day Assembly: We will be celebrating **Armed Forces Day on Wednesday 3rd July at 1pm** in a special Armed Forces Day Assembly. We would like to invite any members of our community who have served in the Armed Forces Day to join us. Children may like to bring in a photo of family members who have served in the Armed Forces and share their stories. We will learn how to do a proper salute and take a picture for #SaluteOurForces. We would love to learn how to salute from a member of the Armed Forces and to find out more about life in the Armed Forces so please contact the office if you would like to attend.

Dates this term:-

TERM 6	
7th June	SCHOOL CLOSED TOMORROW
12th June	am – Class 9 visit Didcot Library 9am-11am - Drama Workshops for Classes 2-5 - Mermaids, Pirates and Peter Pan theme
13th June	am - Yr 4 swimming am - Class 8 visit Didcot Library
14th June	All Day - PALS Non School Uniform Day - donations of chocolates and sweets required 2.30pm – Year 4 Hill End Assembly – Parents Invited
w/b 17th June	Year 6 at Kilvrough all week
19 th June	Class 10 visit Didcot Sewage Plant
26th June	Sports Day
27th June	am - Year 4 swimming
28th June	All Day - Year 1 visit the Natural History Museum, Oxford All Day – Year 2 visit Cotswold Wildlife Park – NB; Allergen free packed lunches required
29th June	PALS Summer Fete
1st July	All Day - Year 6 visit their secondary school pm - 'Moving On' afternoon
2nd July	All Day - Year 6 visit their secondary school Yr 3 & 4 visit St Johns School re: Pumpkin Story
3 rd July	Class 11 visit Didcot Sewage Plant - tbc
4th July	am - Year 4 swimming
8 th July	Pm – Class 7 visit Didcot Library
9th July	pm - Cycle Test - selected Year 5 children pm – Class 6 visit Didcot Library
10th July	All Day - Year 5 Experience Day at SBS & DGS
11th July	am - Year 4 swimming
12 th July	Reports home to Parents All Day – Year 3 'Moving Monsters' Activity Day
16th July	1.30pm and 6.15pm - Year 6 Production to Parents - Tickets cost £1.50 pm - Last day for Class 1 children
17th July	All Day - Apollo@50 Event - Selected Yrs 5 & 6 children pm - Class 1 closed - staff on home visits
18th July	9am - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - Parents Invited 3.15pm-5.15pm - Year 6 Leavers' Party pm - Class 1 closed - staff on home visits
19th July	1.15pm - School Finishes

Andrew Markham and the school team

Fundraising! As many of you know, I have been through breast cancer recently, and my husband is taking on the mammoth task of **cycling solo from our house in Didcot to Barcelona** in just 6 days this August. He is doing it to raise funds for **Breast Cancer Now**. I have had a few parents and staff ask for the link so thought this was the easiest way to share!
If anyone would like to sponsor or read his story then please follow this link:
<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/richard-hoskins1>
Thanks, Sarah Hoskins (mum to Mikey in class 12, Eilidh in class 4 and Niamh in class 1).

2019 Summer Fair is coming, save the date.... Saturday 29th June between 2pm - 5pm

We are hoping for good weather and are in the final stages of pulling together our annual summer fair. This year we are looking forward to continuing the celebrating the schools 20th year.

On Friday 14th June, it is NON UNIFORM day with a suggested donation of sweets, chocolates or £1 which will go towards the much loved Summer Fair tombola.

The week before the Summer Fair, PALS will be asking for donations of old unwanted crockery, toys, books, costumes and bottles of wine for the wine or water stall and of course the cake donations for the refreshments stall. Many thanks in advance for your kind donations.

Do you have a Gazebo that you could kindly lend PALS for the Summer Fair?

If you are able to help please complete the section below or contact PALS via ladygrovepals@gmail.com

Finally, calling all volunteers to help assist on a stall during the fair on Saturday 29th June, if you could kindly donate 1 hour of your day to help pull this very busy event together and be apart of the team on the day, please complete the form below and return to the school office post box.

Volunteering for the Summer Fair

Name: _____ Class: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

I can help with (please tick): **Setup** **2-3pm 3-4pm** **4-5pm Clear Up**