



LPPS Newsletter

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I hope everyone found some rest time during the half term holiday. We updated our guidance following the Prime Minister's announcement on Saturday. For primary schools there is not much change, our current update represents tweaks largely based on changes we made during last term. There are no fundamental changes and the document which was sent out on Tuesday can be found on the School App, on the front page of the website and was emailed out via ParentPay. Currently we are seeing a slight uptick in numbers of children isolating as a household precaution and a few isolating with symptoms.

PALS are continuing their virtual work to ensure we have external events to look forward to. They are doing a great job of raising money where possible. Most recently Mrs Mottershead has procured a further grant from the link we have with The Midcounties Co-operative Community Support Donation Fund. This is for £250 which is greatly appreciated as it helps provide Christmas cheer. On a loosely related note, we expect Father Christmas to be dropping in with a small present for each child around the end of term. Please see the PALS messages at the end of this newsletter.

Ladygrove Park Primary School Photography Competition

Thank you for all the wonderful entries for our first school photography competition - it's going to be tough to judge and how wonderful we have so many budding photographers at school! Winners will be announced next week. *Mrs Barringer*

Year 1 ended this week with some bonfire night themed activities. The children learnt about bonfire night, Guy Fawkes, the gunpowder plot and why we celebrate with fireworks each year. The children also made Guys, on display outside our classes, to help them remember our fireworks safety talk. We shared a poem by Enid Blyton, 'The Bonfire at Night', and coloured and created pictures of fireworks. A great end to the week and maybe useful over the coming weekend. Enjoy any fireworks this weekend and stay safe. *Year 1 Team*

Do you have any unwanted board games and jigsaws (no missing pieces please)? If so, After School Club would love to take them off your hands! Please leave donated items outside reception. Many thanks. *ASC*

COMING UP.....

Flu Vaccinations: Letters were emailed to parents last term and a reminder email was sent at the beginning of this week. This is also on our website under the 'letters' tab.

ACTION IS REQUIRED as this letter contains the link to the consent form and further information about the flu vaccine. Please ensure you do this as a matter of urgency. Failure to do so will mean your child/ren will not receive this immunisation.



New Menu for Term 2 We have a new menu starting this term. This is a 2 week rota menu and details are on our website <https://www.ladygrove-park.oxon.sch.uk/curriculum/school-menu> Next week is 'week 2 menu'.

NOTICES ...

Reminder: Admissions to school (Academic Year 21/22): If your child was born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017 you must apply for a school place for your child for entry in the academic year September 2021. You will be able to apply on-line from 3rd November 2020. Please visit www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions for further information. NB The deadline line date for online applications is 15th January 2021.

Please remember the following:-

- It is the responsibility of parents/carers to apply for a school place by the deadline of 15 January 2021
- If your child is attending nursery classes within a primary school, you must still apply for a place in the main school
- You can list three different schools in order of preference. We strongly advise you to use all three preferences
- We advise you to enter your catchment (or designated) school as one of your preferences

- Attending your catchment school does not entitle you to free home to school transport if it is not your closest school and / under 2 miles away
- If your application is late, you are far less likely to get a place at one of your preferred schools.

Click on this link for easy access to OCC website

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/apply-school-place>

Please remember that each Friday we finish early at:-

Reception 1pm	Years 5, 3, & 1 1.10pm	Year 6, 4 & 2 1.20pm
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Andrew Markham and the school team

PALS:

All the children have produced some Christmas artwork which can be made into **Christmas cards** and other gifts. We get 20% commission on all the orders. To view your child's artwork visit www.mychildsart.co.uk/order username: LadyGrovePark password: L288Z7qZ

In absence of a school Christmas fayre PALS have set up a **virtual winter market** running through November to January. Please join our group on Facebook (Parents at Ladygrove School Virtual Winter Market) and look at what all the lovely stall holders have to sell. You may recognise some stalls and businesses from past school events and from our school community. If you have a craft business and you want to be part of this, please get in touch.

PALS AGM is less than 1 week away! This will take place over zoom on Thursday 12th November 19.30. Meeting ID: 884 8661 5107 Passcode: 280913

Everyone is invited to attend. If you would like to have a look through the minutes from the last committee meeting you can find them under the files section on our Facebook page. We are still on the lookout for the next Secretary.

PALS is also looking for a volunteer to review the PTA accounts. PALS is registered as a Charity and requires an annual independent examination of the accounts and underlying records. Ideally we are looking for a qualified accountant to carry this out. The review is fairly straightforward. You will be required to attend the AGM and present a report to the members. You need to be available to do the work from September 2021. If you are interested in either of these roles please contact ladygrovepals@gmail.com

YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

WE'VE LAUNCHED A LOTTERY

Buy your tickets now to help our fundraising

- Tickets cost just £1
- All profits go to our school
- Local cash prize every week
- Chance to win the £25,000 jackpot!
- Drawn every Saturday at 8pm

To start supporting, visit:
yourschoollottery.co.uk
and search for: Ladygrove Park

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older

How do you tell a child that they are autistic?

Sharing news of a diagnosis is a big thing and how and when you do that can have a real effect on how a young person sees themselves in the future. Getting it right and supporting them to make it a positive thing can unlock their particular set of skills and abilities and free them up to be the best version of themselves which is essential for long-term mental health.

The new **LIVE** Dream Team webinar on **Wednesday 18th November 2020 from 6.30-9.30pm** with Dean Beadle, Dawn Brown, Sally Glossop and Lynn McCann.

We bring a host of different expertise including:

- Autistic perspectives
- What it's like as a parent
- Working with young people struggling with their diagnosis
- Celebrating autistic identity

Don't forget that we have an opportunity for you to ask your burning questions of the Panel in the Q&A session at the end AND a survey on the registration page so that we can answer YOUR concerns.

How to tell your child they are autistic

Wednesday 18th November 6.30pm – 9.30pm
A webinar from 5 amazing autism specialists

Dean Beadle
Dean will discuss "Finding out you're autistic: how I made sense of who I am."

Sarah-Jane Critchley
Sarah-Jane will talk about "Step by step: the process you need to make it a positive experience."

Lynn McCann
Lynn will show resources and articles to help you have those conversations with your child.

Dawn Brown

Sally Glossop
Dawn and Sally will talk about "I am me and that's ok."

ONLY £15 per person

To find out more and book **CLICK HERE:**
<https://www.differentjoy.com/DT3HowToTellYourChild>

Can't make the LIVE WEBINAR? No Problem! There's even a replay for 7 days in case you can't make that time, or get dragged away and miss a bit. We are doing everything we can to make it accessible for as many people as possible, so please share widely!

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