



Number 3
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LPPS Newsletter

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The children in Reception have just completed their first full week at school. They have been settling really well into the new routines and have enjoyed beginning to make new friendships. We have been very lucky with the weather and lots of children have been taking the opportunity to explore the outside environment. This week we have been talking about our families and learning the word 'relative' and what it means.

You can access the school blog via the school website or directly using the link:

<http://ladygrove-park.blogspot.com/>

The latest entry is from Class 13 while at Forest School.

Covid update

This week presented us with challenges around the changes to government expectations for schools even though there remain positive cases in the community. It is still the expectation that 'Test and Trace' are supposed to contact individuals who are in close contact, independently of the school. They only contact the school if they perceive that there is a spread which might be forming an outbreak. Therefore, to keep you informed, we have decided to send 'Inform Letters' if there is a child who was in contact with the class who subsequently was found to be positive. The Inform Letter is just for information because the child will have already been sent home or kept at home and **all other children will be expected at school unless they are symptomatic, found to be asymptomatic or for other legitimate absence reasons.** We discuss any perceived spread with Public Health but classes will be closed very rarely, in favour of maintaining or further strengthening our control measures.

COMING UP...

PALS are holding an informal event planning meeting. We will discuss what events we can put on this year and any new fundraising ideas. If you would like to be involved we would love you to join our zoom meeting on Wednesday 22nd of September at 7pm. Please contact the office to get the login details for this meeting.

PALS AGM - Thursday 7th October 2021

Everyone is welcome to join us for our PALS (Parents Association) AGM on Thursday 7th October at 7.30pm. Venue to be confirmed, dependent on restrictions. We would love you to join us and find out more about the fundraising we do for school.

LPPS Reading Challenge! To encourage a lifelong love of reading at home and school, we will be running a **sponsored reading challenge** in association with **Usborne Books** between **Monday 20th September** and **Friday 1st October.**

We are inviting you to take part in this fun reading event. Children are sponsored to complete as many of the reading challenges in the grid as they can for the duration of the event and all the money raised will go towards brand new books for our school. This project is being organised in conjunction with our **Usborne Books representative**, Gemma Cotterell. In addition to the sponsorship money, Usborne will also donate up to 60% of the total raised in **EXTRA FREE BOOKS** to the school. **So for every £600 raised we will get an extra £360 in FREE Usborne books!** Please help us to enhance our reading resources for pupils by encouraging your child to raise sponsorship and complete as many of the fun reading challenges as possible. Should you wish to support our sponsored reading challenge a sponsorship form for your child along with a grid of challenges to complete will be sent home **on Monday.** After the event, please send all the sponsorship money (in cash) that your child has raised to the school by **Friday 8th October.** Thank you for your support and happy reading!

Gemma Fowkes, Year 5 Classteacher

NOTICES ...

Kilvrough 2022: Reminder to current year 6 parents to continue to pay regularly for your child's residential trip that is planned for next summer. Regular payments will ensure you are not having to pay for the full amount nearer the time.

The Ladygrove Park Primary School Inclusion Team:

Our Inclusion Team consists of the Assistant Headteacher for Inclusion, the Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities Co-ordinator (SENDCo), Inclusion HLTA/ELSA, and Inclusion Class teacher. The Assistant Headteacher for Inclusion is Carrie Barringer, the SENDCo is Carol Turner, our Inclusion HLTA and Emotional Literacy Support Assistant is Sarah Cheetham and the Inclusion Class Teacher is Amber Parsons. Our governor with responsibility for SEND is: Victoria Brown.

What expertise can we offer?

Carrie Barringer (Assistant Headteacher for Inclusion) manages the Inclusion team and leads with strategic planning for SEND. Carol Turner (SENDCo) has achieved the National Award for SENCo. Both our SENDCo and Assistant Headteacher for Inclusion have attended various training courses on SEND. Our Inclusion HLTA is very experienced working with children with autism and has training as an Emotional Literacy Support Assistant. Our Inclusion Class Teacher has a special interest in inclusion and SEND (particularly supporting pupils with dyslexia) and supports the staff with training and ideas for quality first teaching in the classroom.

You can contact the Inclusion team by calling the school office: Tel: 01235-519235.

Email: office.2609@ladygrove-park.oxon.sch.uk

Reminder: Admissions to school (Academic Year 22/23): If your child was born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018 you must apply for a school place for your child for entry in the academic year September 2022. You will be able to apply on-line from 2nd November 2021. Please visit www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions for further information. NB The deadline line date for online applications is 15th January 2022.

Please remember the following:-

- It is the responsibility of parents/carers to apply for a school place by the deadline of 15th January 2022
- 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>

Reminder: Admissions to Secondary School:

Year 6 parents can now apply on line for secondary schools and the closing date is 31st October 2021.

Remember, to ensure your child transfers to the school that you consider most appropriate, you must apply before the closing date.

Please visit secondary schools websites for information about 'virtual' tours/parent meetings.

Click on this link for easy access to OCC website.

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

For transport information click on this link <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/travelling-school>

Secondary School Open Events:

Families are warmly invited to join us at Aureus School for our autumn open events.

Year 5 and 6 Open Evening – Thursday 7th October, 5-7pm

Join us for a student-led tour of the school, meet some of our wonderful teachers, take part in activities and listen to a talk from our Headteacher, Ms Hunter (there will be two talks taking place at 5.15pm and 6.15pm).

Year 6 Open Mornings – Monday 11th October and Monday 18th October, 9-10am

The morning will comprise of a student-led tour of the school and a talk from Ms Hunter.

The open mornings will primarily be for Year 6 families. Year 5 Open Mornings will be held in the Summer Term.

To register your place, please visit <http://www.aureusschool.org/548/open-events>



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Open Morning School Tours

9am-10:15am

Tues 28th, Wed 29th, Thurs 30th September

Tues 5th, Wed 6th, Thurs 7th October

Tues 12th, Wed 13th, Thurs 14th October

to book a tour, please visit:

www.st-birinus-school.org.uk/openevents

We kindly request one adult per family for the tours

OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 22nd September 2021

5:30pm-8:00pm

Headteacher talks to take place at 6pm and 7pm

NO BOOKING NECESSARY

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School Tours 2021

Tours will take place on the following mornings

Please note that we can only accept one adult and one child per family

Monday 4th October

Tuesday 5th October

Thursday 7th October

Friday 8th October

Monday 11th October

Tuesday 12th October

Wednesday 13th October

Thursday 14th October

Monday 18th October

Tuesday 19th October

All School Tours 9am-11:15am

To book a place please use the links on the Open Events page of our website

Open Evening

Wednesday 29th September

4:30pm-7:30pm

No booking required

Staggered drop off and pick up times

We are currently keeping these timings but will communicate any changes as much in advance as possible.

Reception 9am drop off 2.50pm pick up	Years 1, 3 & 5 8.40am drop off 3pm pick up	Year 2, 4 & 6 8.50am drop off 3.10pm pick up
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After School Club finishes at 5.30pm

Andrew Markham and the school team