

# LPPS Newsletter

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Last Friday we had the **Spelling Bee** final and I announced the winners in last week's newsletter. Year 3 completed their final on Monday and the winner is Simanyu. Well done Simanyu!

**Foundation Stage** thank you for your support with their 'under the sea' dress-up day on Monday. It has really inspired the children and they are hungry for knowledge about the topic! There were some very excited children when we learnt about beach habitats this week: there may be many requests for a trip to the seaside over the summer holidays!

**Year 4** parents got a glimpse into life at Hill End yesterday, as pupils performed an assembly, written by themselves, about their stay. Parents heard about the infamous mud walk, the problems with keeping clean, the fantastic (and endless supply of) food, and all the activities they took part in based around habitats or teamwork. They were also treated to two favourite campfire songs.

**Year 2** children are visiting Cotswold Wildlife Park today for their topic 'Habitats Around the World'. The children are going to see lots of animals including giraffes, meerkats and penguins. They are also going to listen to a great talk by zoo keepers on how animals adapt to their environment.

**Year 6** children (and staff) have had a fantastic week at Kilvrough (more details about that in next week's newsletter) and are currently packing up and ready to travel back to the Shire. Their eta is 7pm, however, this could change depending upon traffic. Updates will be put up on the newsflash on our website so check this regularly for the most up-to-date time of arrival.

## NOTICES ...

As a parting gift to the school, **Year 6** will be improving the sensory garden over the next few weeks. The aim of the sensory garden is to create a peaceful, calming, tactile environment for our children to make use of when necessary. Year 6 will be giving the fence a fresh lick of paint, introducing different textures and colours, hiding 'LPPS rocks' which give positive messages to the finder, and planting flowers to attract wildlife. We are asking for a donation of compost and any plants, especially those that release a strong smell (such as honeysuckle, lavender and herbs) to help us with this. Please place any donations outside the Year 6 creative area or give them to your child's teacher. Thank you for your help and support with this!

A reminder about the **new PE kit**... We will be moving towards having house colour T-shirts for PE kit in the future, these are available to order from Trutex and are printed with the school logo. They are £4.50 each. For the rest of this year and 2018-19 academic year the options for PE shirts will be either a plain white t-shirt or a school house colour t-shirt with logo purchased from Trutex. From 2019-20 academic year house colour t-shirts will be PE kit. Non-logo coloured shirts need to be replaced with the house colour T Shirts as and when they wear out for your child. For **Sports Day** children need to wear their coloured house shirts (either plain or if you have already purchased it, coloured t-shirt with a logo on it).

**Extended Services:** From September 2018 our ASC will be £10.00 per session. Breakfast Club will be £4.60 per session

Proofs of **Foundation Stage and Year 6 class photos** went home last week.  
Deadline date for orders is **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June**. Any late orders will incur a late payment fee.

We have a new **magazine rack** in our reception area. Any outside clubs/organisations and useful information will be displayed on this rack. Please feel free to take anything that you may find useful. Also, please remember we have a **post box** outside the office (*on the wall next to the hatch*). Please use this for anything you need to hand in to school.

## COMING UP...

**Year 4** will be painting on Wednesday 20th June. Although we have some painting shirts, there are not enough for both classes and lots are getting a bit small. Please could you send one in if you would like your child to wear one on this date.



On **Friday 6th July** we are holding a **whole school book swap**. Last year's book swap was a huge success with children exclaiming how pleased they were to receive a new book in place of book they no longer wanted. The purpose of the book swap is so children can choose a nearly new book in place of one they have already read, as well as exposing them to different types of books and encouraging them to read over the summer holiday. Please can children bring in a book they no longer want (possibly because they have already read it, it is no longer age appropriate or it is no longer interesting to them) and hand it to their class teacher, starting from next week. On Friday 6th July the children will then choose another book to bring home. It would be great if we had a range of books to offer including fiction, non-fiction, picture and chapter books. If you are having a clear out then we are more than happy to take multiple books so that children have a wider range to choose from. We also struggle to collect books for our older children so if you have any books from older siblings that are no longer needed then they would be greatly appreciated.

A selection of children that **learn musical instruments** at Ladygrove School will be invited to participate in a **Summer Music Concert** on 20th June at 4pm. Parents of performing children are also invited to attend this concert and letters went home yesterday with your child if they are involved in this. This will be in the school hall – After School Club will be in Class 1 on this afternoon (parents to pick up from nursery).

### Dates w/b 11<sup>th</sup> June:

Date	Activity	Time	Place	Notes
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Yr 5/6 Anti-Bullying Performance	afternoon	Hall	
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> June	C11 visit Didcot Library	morning	D Library	Remember library books
	Yr 5 Brass Lessons	afternoon	Burrow Library	
	Cross-Stitch Club	3.15pm-4pm	Library	
	C8 visit Didcot Library	afternoon	D Library	Remember library books
	Colouring & Mindfulness Club	3.15pm-4.15pm	Year 1	
Weds 20 <sup>th</sup> June <b>FS &amp; Yr6 Photo Orders Deadline</b>	Football Club	3.15pm-4.15pm	Meet in C9	Remember football kit
	Yr 4 Painting	All Day	Yr 4	Painting shirt needed
	Digital Leaders	12.30pm-1pm	Meet in C14	
	Rounders	3.15pm-4pm	Meet in C15	
	Headteacher's Tea Party	2pm	Courtyard	By invitation only
ASC in Class 1 (Nursery)	ASC in Class 1 (Nursery)	3pm-6pm	Class 1	Music Concert going on in hall – pick up from C1
	Music Concert	4pm	Hall	Letters have gone home with individual children
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Year 4 swimming	morning	Harwell	
	Year 1 Cake Crumbly	3.10pm	Courtyard	Remember to bring cakes to sell
	Netball Club	3.15pm-4.15pm	meet in C13	
	Gardening Club	3.15pm-4.15pm	Meet in C8	
	Spanish Club	3.15pm-4pm	Meet in C9	Existing members only to continue
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	DGS Dancers	morning	Hall	Foundation Stage
	Yr 1/2 OPEN Athletics Tournament	afternoon	LPPS	

Finally, tomorrow is our **SUMMER FETE 2pm-5pm** – the PALS team have been working incredibly hard in organising this event so come along and support your school (it's our main fundraiser of the year). Keep all your fingers and toes crossed for fine weather and looking forward to seeing everyone there!

*Andrew Markham and the school team*

Ladygrove Park Primary School calls out for **votes to bag a share of Tesco's bag fund**. Ladygrove Park Primary School is bidding to bag a massive cash boost from the Tesco Bags of Help initiative. Tesco teamed up with Groundwork to launch its community funding scheme, which sees grants of £4,000, £2,000 and £1,000 raised from carrier bag sales in Tesco stores awarded to local community projects.

Three groups in every Tesco region have been shortlisted to receive the cash award and shoppers are being invited to head along to Tesco stores to vote for who they think should take away the top grant.

Ladygrove Park Primary School is one of the groups on the shortlist for a 'playground makeover'

Voting is open in all Tesco stores from 1<sup>st</sup> July through to 31<sup>st</sup> August and customers will cast their vote using a token given to them at the check-out in store each time they shop. Tesco's Bags of Help project has already delivered over £52 million to more than 16,000 projects up and down the UK. Tesco customers get the chance to vote for three different groups every time they shop. Every other month, when votes are collected, three groups in each of Tesco's regions will be awarded funding.

Alec Brown, Head of Community at Tesco, said:

*"Bags of Help has been a fantastic success and we've been overwhelmed by the response from customers. It's such a special scheme because it's local people who decide how the money will be spent in their community. There are some fantastic projects on the shortlists and we can't wait to see these come to life in hundreds of communities."*

Groundwork's National Chief Executive, Graham Duxbury, said:

*"Bags of Help continues to enable local communities up and down the UK to improve the local spaces and places that matter to them. The diversity of projects that are being funded shows that local communities have a passion to create something great in their area. We are pleased to be able to be a part of the journey and provide support and encouragement to help local communities thrive."*

Funding is available to community groups and charities looking to fund local projects that bring benefits to communities. Anyone can nominate a project and organisations can apply online. To find out more visit [www.tesco.com/bagsofhelp](http://www.tesco.com/bagsofhelp).

- The Bags of Help initiative is supported by money raised from carrier bag sales in Tesco stores.
- So far Bags of Help has awarded £52 million to over 16,000 community projects. For more information please visit: [www.tesco.com/bagsofhelp](http://www.tesco.com/bagsofhelp).

Are you an imaginative and creative individual who enjoys providing enjoyable activities for children? Do you have the motivation and determination to encourage the continued success of our already existing **Extended Schools Services**? If so, would you like to join our team? We are looking to recruit **new members of staff**:

**Breakfast Club:** 7.30am-8.30am (Mondays-Fridays), term time only

**After School Club:** 3pm – 6pm on Fridays, term time only.

**Pay is Grade 5 (FTE £17,681).**

If you are interested in the above (either both positions or individually), please complete an application form available from the school office or on our website. The deadline for applications is **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June, noon**.

Interviews will be on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July consisting of a 20 minute session in setting, meeting the children and staff and then a 20 minute interview with Mrs Li-Koo and Mrs Jones. *Due to this post having access to children, candidates will be required to undertake an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check (DBS). The possession of a record will not necessarily prevent an applicant from obtaining this post, as all cases are judged individually according to the nature of the role and information provided. DBS checks and references are conditional to appointment.*

