

LPPS Newsletter

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Congratulations to Ella Mae, Anoushka, Louisa and Olivia who undertook a cake sale for Children in Need yesterday. They raised £38 as all cakes sold out in just a few short minutes. Well done.

Letters have gone home this week about **Christmas lunches** (this has also been emailed to you and is available to view on our website under the 'Key Info' tab, 'School Menu'). Please take time to read this letter and make a note in your diary about the days your child needs a packed lunch.

Since going to print the vegetarian option is now **Quorn Roast**.

Thank you to everyone who has already returned slips – remember slips need to be returned by 20th November if your child wants a Christmas lunch.

LPPS Girls' Football Team, looking confident in their new kit courtesy of **A&G Landscapes**, had their first league match of the season on Wednesday against Stephen Freeman school. The match saw some powerful shots on target from goal-scorers Olivia and Freya. Lois came close to scoring and certainly put a lot of effort into her tackles. Abigail C held her own in goal, saving some good shots and Ella-Mae and Marie were superb supporting her in defence. Molly, Kambuchi and Kamdi supported their team in midfield and tackled well. Well done also to Abigail S - it was her debut for the team. The final score was 5-2 to Stephen Freeman. *Coach Shorrock*

It was lovely to see so many parents (and Grandparents) at our motor workshop on Wednesday. Thank you for coming along and taking part in the activities with the children. There was an information booklet available to take away from the session that we will also be sending home to everyone who wasn't able to make it. The children are looking forward to performing "We're going on a Bear Hunt" for you this afternoon. Thank you for continuing to take such an active part in your child's learning at school! If you can't make Friday there will be another opportunity to come and see our innovation of the Bear Hunt story later in the term. *Foundation Stage Team*

Yesterday, **Year 6** had an amazing opportunity for some hands-on Science and were lucky enough to dissect a real (pig's) heart and lungs! They learned all about the different chambers of the heart; how the heart and lungs connect to form the circulatory system; were able to see a lung cut open to investigate how the bronchi branch off; and experimented with pieces of lung floating in water to show that lungs are full of oxygen! It was a fantastic afternoon and most of the year group loved getting stuck in to our exciting Science work and pushed through the fear-factor. A big thank you to Miss Loveless for arranging such an engaging activity for the year group.

Yesterday, Nkembuchi, Oliver, Laura and Shubham from Year 6 entered the maths challenge at Headington Prep School. The challenge consisted of completing timed maths activities. These included solving equations, finding totals and using their knowledge of the 4 maths operations. After completing each question one member of each pair had to race to the front of the hall to have the question marked by a panel of senior girls before moving on to the next. The children showed great resilience, teamwork and determination, representing the school perfectly - well done!

Poppy Appeal: We have British Legion poppies and a collection box outside the school office. There are also lots of different items available this year. Please support the British Legion and buy a poppy!



COMING UP...

Next Friday will be our non uniform day for PALs and also for Children In Need. If you would like to support PALs please donate something for the raffle. If you would like to support Children In Need please donate £1.

After a very successful Term 1 workshop on anxiety, the second of our Mental Health and Well Being Workshops will be held on Tuesday 11th December from 5pm-6pm and will focus on 'Ages and Stage: helping children to grow and develop independence at the right age', delivered by our learning mentor, Carol Saunders. During the workshops discussions will be held around what parents expect of children at the different stages of development and how this aligns with what we already know about development of children. Whether you have high or low expectations of your child's independence, this workshop will give you useful tips to take home so that your child is developing their independence at the right pace. We are limiting places to 25 so that an informal atmosphere is upheld in which everyone feels comfortable saying what they want to say. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. If you would like to attend please email us at office.2609@ladygrove-park.oxon.sch.uk you will then be notified whether you are successful in securing a place on the workshop.

Ladygrove will be thinking about **bike safety** during national Road Safety week, starting 19th November. There will be activities across the school including a Beep Beep day on Wednesday 21st November in KS1 and an assembly and poster competition for KS2.

NOTICES ...

The Travelling Book Fair returns to Ladygrove! During the week commencing Monday 26th November, the Travelling Books Book Fair will be open every morning and afternoon. We hope to have it in the courtyard again this year, unless it is terrible weather in which case we will relocate to the library. Don't miss out on the chance to get some of your Christmas shopping done early! Remember, any money raised from the book fair helps towards new books for our book corners and school library.



[New voice for parents in Oxfordshire](#)

A new Oxfordshire Parent Carer Forum has been set up by a group of parents with children who have Special Education Needs and Disabilities (SEND), to work with Oxfordshire County Council and the local NHS to help improve services for children with SEND.

Web: www.oxpcf.org.uk, Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/oxpcf/> Twitter: @OxPCForum, Instagram: ox_parentcarers_forum

Dates next week:

Date	Activity	Time	Place	Notes
Mon 12 th Nov	Fire Safety & Awareness FS Mystery Readers	am 2.40pm	hall F Stage	Years 5 & 6 children
Tues 13 th Nov	Flu Immunisations Class 6 visit Didcot Library Cycle Training Boys Football Club Girls Football Club Knit & Natter Club	All Day am afternoon 3.15pm-4.15pm 3.15pm-4.15pm 3.15pm-4pm	The Burrow Didcot Library Ladygrove Meet in C9 Meet in C9 Library	FS-Yr 5 children Remember library books Remember bikes and helmets
Weds 14 th Nov	Recorder Club	3.15pm-4pm	Class 7	
Thurs 15 th Nov	Maths Workshop Class 7 visit Didcot Library Choir Club Netball Club Yr 4 Cake Crumbly	8.45am-9.30am am 3.15pm-4pm 3.15pm-4.15pm 3.10pm	F Stage Didcot Library Class 8 Class 15 Courtyard	Foundation Stage parents invited Remember library books Remember to bring cakes to sell!
Fri 16 th Nov	PALS Non-Uniform Day and Children In Need	All Day	School	Chocolate donations for Christmas Fair £1 Donation optional for Children In Need

Reminder: Admissions to school (Academic Year 19/20): If your child was born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015 you must apply for a school place for your child for entry in the academic year September 2018. You will be able to apply on-line from 25th October. Please visit www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions for further information. The deadline line date is 15th January 2019.

Please remember the following:-

- It is the responsibility of parents/carers to apply for a school place by the deadline of 15 January 2019
- 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/cms/content/online-school-applications>

At various times through the year we will use **video clips/DVDs** to enhance our curriculum. The clips/DVDs are either suitable for all ages (U) or will, on occasions, be a PG. All PG films will be vetted for their content before showing them to the children. We would like your permission to allow your child to watch a PG film. Please let us know by email or by completing the slip below only **if you are not** willing to allow your child to watch a pre checked PG film in school.

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Child's name:..... Class:.....

I **DO NOT** give permission for my child to watch a PG rated film in school.

Signed:..... Date:.....

Andrew Markham and the school team

Improving transport for Didcot and the surrounding area – Have your say!

View OCC plans and have your say on the proposed package of transport improvements at www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/didcot
Visit one of their public exhibitions:

Wednesday 7 November 12pm - 8pm **Didcot Civic Hall**, Ladygrove Room, Britwell Road, Didcot, OX11 7JN

Saturday 17 November 10am – 4pm **Cornerstone, Didcot**, Willow Room, 25 Station Road, Didcot, OX11 7NE

Online consultation opens: Friday 2 November

Closing date for comments: Sunday 25 November 2018 at 11:55pm