

# LPPS Newsletter

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This week's life skill focus: **Respect**

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Today has been **PALS 'Break a Rule' Day**. Children have been excitedly *breaking specific rules* and paying 50p per rule for the privilege! Some children styled their hair any way they wanted, called teachers by their first name, wore hats in the classroom and wore nail polish. The rule which most demonstrated child innovation was the option to change your name. Marie called herself "Youcangohome". So many rules to break in one day and it's safe to say that staff will be very pleased to have the normal rules back on Monday! I will update you how much was raised next week.

The children paid close attention during **Safer Internet day** this week. As before, it is worth highlighting our core messages: avoid strange or difficult interactions online, know who to talk to/what steps to take if you feel uncomfortable about something, ensure you don't become part of the problem: say/share nice things or say/share nothing at all.

Last Wednesday, Sophia from '**Relax Kids**' took parents and staff through the 7 steps of supporting children with mindfulness for our 3<sup>rd</sup> Mental Health and Well Being Workshop. Sophia is passionate about giving children the tools to create happy spaces in their mental and emotional well-being, relax and harness their imagination positively and was able to share some of these strategies for parents to use at home. Our staff use elements of Relax Kids in school and so using it at home ensures a consistent approach. If you were unable to attend but would like to find out more visit [www.relaxkids.com](http://www.relaxkids.com). Watch out for more information on our Term 4 workshop!

**Year 4** are visiting Didcot Girls School next Wednesday to experience their International Day. Please can I remind children to bring a named plastic bag with them to take home the crafts and other bits they might collect on the day (no big rucksacks!) Remember to take a packed lunch too.

Good luck to our **football** team today. As we go to print, the ESFA football finals are still going ahead. The netball game planned for today has been cancelled.

**Bicycle use:** it is important to stress that all pupils need to ride their bikes with care, paying attention to the road rules. Furthermore, it is always good practice for children to ride defensively, try to cycle as if other road users have not yet seen you. To be clear, there has been no incident but while the days remain gloomy, it should not be assumed that you have been seen. This also applies to pedestrians crossing roads, especially in front of the school gates.

Next week it is **parent meetings** and appointment times went home this week. Please can I remind you to keep to the 10 minutes allocated time slot. If you feel a longer meeting is required please make another appointment, on another day, with your classteacher straight after school.

## COMING UP...

Dates next week: **NO CLUBS RUNNING NEXT WEEK**

Date	Activity	Time	Place	Notes
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Cycle Test Year 4 Open Classrooms Parent Meetings	afternoon 2.40pm 3pm-6pm	Ladygrove Year 4 C10, C12	Remember your bike and helmet – good luck! Parents invited Parents of children in Class 10 and Class 12 only
Weds 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Year 4 International Day Parent Meetings <b>Yr 1 Cake Crumbly</b> Football Club Science Club	All Day 5pm-8pm <b>3.10pm</b> <del>3.15pm-4.15pm</del> <del>3.15pm-4pm</del>	DGS School <b>Courtyard</b> School Field Year 1	Remember to bring in a plastic bag Please keep to your allocated time of 10 minutes. <b>Please note this has moved to Wednesday next week</b> <del>Meet in Class-9 cancelled due to parent meetings</del> <del>Meet in Class-5 cancelled due to parent meetings</del>
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Yr 4 @ Willowbrook Mystery Readers Parent Meetings Netball Club Choir Club	afternoon 2.40pm 3pm-6pm <del>3.15pm-4.15pm</del> <del>3.15pm-4pm</del>	Willowbrook F. Stage School School Court Year 3	Remember PE kit  Please keep to your allocated time of 10 minutes. <del>Meet in Class 15-canceled due to parent meetings</del> <del>Meet in Class 8-canceled due to parent meetings</del>
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Hot Chocolate with HT Yr 6 @ Willowbrook Term 3 finishes	10.30am afternoon 3.10pm	Burrow Willowbrook	14 selected children Remember PE kit School finishes at normal time

## NOTICES ...

Last term saw the successful return of Maths Matters to Ladygrove Park School. The sessions were structured carefully (by experienced Ladygrove staff) to build on the children's confidence and deepen their understanding of maths operations, stretching those students who were already confident and supporting others. This term, we will continue to tailor the sessions to the needs of the children. Our focus for Term 3 will be Multiplication/Division (19 Jan), Shape (2 Feb) and Graphs and Charts (16 Feb). As always, there are two sessions: years 2, 3 and 4 at 10 am and years 5 and 6 at 11:15 am. For more information, or to book your child onto the sessions, priced reasonably at £15 each, please email: [didcotmathsmatters@gmail.com](mailto:didcotmathsmatters@gmail.com) New students are always welcome.

**Andrew Markham and the School Team**



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## Girls, Can you kick it ???

**Didcot Town Youth would like to invite...**

**The Girls of Didcot to join our Football**

**Taster session at Edmonds Park**

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> February**

**10:00am – 11:30am**

**Ages 7 – 12**

**All abilities welcome!**

**Contact Adam Rouse on 07738048115**



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