

LODDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

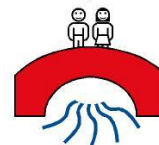
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Primary School



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NEWSLETTER NO 19

Dear Parents/Carers,



House Gems

Congratulations to the following children who have received a Values 'House Gem' celebrating their actions in promoting our school values.

Miles B	Stingrays	Earth	Showing courage when swimming under water
Lily M	Turtles	Earth	Showing courage when swimming under water
Amie S	Phoenix	Air	Thoughtfulness when carrying out Charity work
Jake T	Stingrays	Air	Determination and courage when swimming



Building work in Riverdale for new Reception (FS2) and Year 1 classes

The building work is progressing well and is on track to be completed by the end of August. Please check the school website at the end of August (after 26th August) for further updates on progress. We still hope that the works will be completed in time to allow an opportunity when families may visit new classrooms at the end of the holidays.

The children were pleased last week to welcome the architect in charge of project planning to our assembly and find out more about their new classes. The children were also able to ask questions about the work roles on a building site and we now have a number of budding architects at school!

Letters from September

This is to remind all families that letters will be sent home via Parentmail from September and not paper copy. If you wish to continue to have a paper copy you will need to request this specifically at the school office. Letters will also be added to the school website as currently.



Funsplash

Funsplash will be running between 10:00am-11:00am every weekday throughout the summer holidays, starting from next Thursday. Please contact swimmingpoolenquiries@loddon.wokingham.sch.uk if your child would like to take part or for further information.



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Children returning to Nursery in September

Please note that the beginning of the Autumn term for our children who currently attend Nursery (and are staying in Nursery) will be Monday 12th September.

Staff changes 2016

Our best wishes go to Mrs Simpson (Teaching assistant, TA) who retires from Loddon this summer. Mrs Simpson first joined Loddon Infant School as a Lunch time controller in 1996 before moving into TA work. Mrs Simpson is looking forward to spending more time with her family after 20 years of service. Additionally we wish Miss Nixon and Miss Archer well as they take up teaching posts elsewhere in the country. Mrs Kite will also be absent next year as she begins her maternity leave ready for the birth of her third child.

In September we will welcome the following new staff members: Mrs Postlethwaite as Year 6 teacher, Mr Boitsidis Year 5 teacher, Mr Rathbone Year 2 teacher, Mr Hempson-Jones Year 1 teacher, Miss Drewery Year 1 teacher, Mrs Khatun Reception (FS2) teacher, Mrs Guy Reception (FS2) keyworker, Mrs Howard Year 1 TA, Mrs Siddiqi Year 1 TA and Mrs O'Halloran Sports Assistant. New staff members have visited Loddon to complete induction and are looking forward to working as part of the team from September. If you have any questions regarding staff arrangements for September please do not hesitate to contact us.

Keeping children safe this summer

Should you have a significant concern about a child whilst school is closed for the summer break,

- All immediate concerns should be discussed with a social worker by calling the WBC Referral and Assessment Team (Children's Safeguarding and Social Care Team) on telephone 0118 908 8002 or by email: triage@wokingham.gov.uk
- For concerns out of hours contact the Emergency Duty Team - **out of office hours:** telephone: 01344 786 543

School Uniform

We believe that high standards of uniform are an expression of pride in our school and ask parents to support us to ensure their children are dressed appropriately. All children are expected to be clean and tidy and dressed appropriately for school.

For safety reasons children should only wear small stud earrings to school and a small watch, religious bracelet or necklace no other jewellery should be worn. Also for safety reasons jewellery will have to be removed during PE including swimming. It is not appropriate for pupils to bring or wear make-up (including nail varnish) to school.

Long hair should be tied back at all times for hygiene and safety reasons. Hair colouring, excessive hair gel and patterns cut into the hair are not appropriate for school.

Agreed uniform - Foundation Stage

FS2 - Blue Loddon sweatshirt or fleece or cardigan worn with own choice of trousers/skirt

A House T-Shirt (children will be allocated to a House during FS2) and shorts for PE

FS1 children may also wear a Loddon sweatshirt or fleece or cardigan if they wish to

All Foundation Stage children will also need suitable outdoor wear and flat footwear

Year 1-6

Grey school trousers, shorts or skirt

White shirt, blouse or polo shirt

Blue Loddon sweatshirt or fleece or cardigan

Blue and white checked dress

Black, white or grey socks (no other colours)



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Black or grey tights
 Black plain shoes or boots in winter (flat and closed toes for safety)
 Black or white short, plain headscarf worn for religious reasons (thin material advisable)
 Children also need suitable outdoor wear such as a coat in winter and a hat in summer
PE Equipment (in a small drawstring bag - needed in school every day)
 House T-Shirt
 Lightweight trainers
 Black shorts
 Tracksuit (optional)
 Long socks and shin pads
 Black, grey or white short socks

Brookside Church's annual Church Camp

Kids' Fun Days are happening at RUSHALL FARM BIG BARN 21st -23rd August 2016. Starting with a family fun afternoon 21st August with crafts, games, a woodland trail, bouncy castle, BBQ and more, suitable for all the family 2-5pm £10 per family. Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd are kids activity sessions 11-3.30pm run by the Church Camp 2016 Wonder Team including stories, crafts, sports, bouncy castle, live band and tonnes more fun! £10 per child per day with a bargain offer of £15 per child per day for 2 days! All aimed at primary school children, children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult. Contact Louise Bisset to enquire/book 07738714414 or lbisset@brooksidechurch.org.uk



And finally we wish you all a happy and hopefully sunny summer holiday enjoying time with family and friends. We send our thanks to each of you for your contributions to another successful year at Loddon Primary School. It is always a genuine pleasure to watch your children learn and develop and this year they have again made us proud.

I also wish to finish the year with thanks to the dedicated staff of Loddon who work tirelessly to offer the best care and education they can to your children despite the changing political landscape, increasing demands of the job and sometimes a lack of available budget to support this in real terms. I observe our staff every day continue to go over and above in their time, effort and care at Loddon for which I thank them unreservedly.

As well as having fun in the sun please support your children to continue to read throughout the summer as well as practise their times tables so that their skills are kept up to date for the new school year.

We look forward to seeing you again in the new academic year and wish Y6 as well as departing staff success at their new schools.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Phillips
 Headteacher

Diary Events List: Summer/Autumn term 2016

Date	Time	Event
20/07/16	9.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee in the Hut
20/07/16	9.00-11.00	Parents Supporting Parents (PSP) CAN Support Group
20/07/16	11.10/14.50	End of Pupil term - FSU morning children finish at 11.10am & afternoon at 2.50pm



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Date	Time	Event
20/07/16	15.00	End of Pupil term - Y1-6 morning children finish at 3pm
21/7-4/9/16	All day	Summer holiday
5-6/9/16	All day	INSET days School closed for staff training
07/09/16	All day	First day of Pupil Autumn term: 8.40 FSU and 8.55 Y1-6
07/09/16	9.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee in the Hut
08/09/16	9.00-11.00	Parents Supporting Parents (PSP) CAN Support Group
12/09/16	All day	First day of term for Nursery children returning after the Summer break
13/09/16	All day	Roald Dahl day
13/09/16	9.15-9.45	Meet the Teacher sessions Y1-6
13/09/16	13.30-15.00	Y5 RE Inspired Rules and Codes at St Nicolas Church
14/09/16	9.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee in the Hut
15/09/16	9.00-11.00	Parents Supporting Parents (PSP) CAN Support Group
19/09/16	19.30-21.00	PTA AGM in the Hut
21/09/16	8.30-9.30	Personnel & Finance Governor committee: attendance by invitation from Chair or HT
21/09/16	9.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee in the Hut
22/09/16	9.00-11.00	Parents Supporting Parents (PSP) CAN Support Group
28/09/16	9.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee in the Hut
28/09/16	9.15-10.00	Values workshop for parents in the Hut
28/09/16	18.00-19.30	Governor Curriculum committee meeting: attendance by invitation from Chair or HT
29/09/16	9.00-11.00	Parents Supporting Parents (PSP) CAN Support Group

TERM DATES 2016-1017 ACADEMIC YEAR

AUTUMN TERM 2016:

Staff Training - school closed	Monday 5 th September 2016
Staff Training - school closed	Tuesday 6 th September 2016
Start of Pupil Term	Wednesday 7 th September 2016
Half Term	Monday 24 th October 2016 - Friday 28 th October 2016
Staff Training - school closed	Friday 4 th November 2016
End of Pupil Term	Tuesday 20 th December 2016

SPRING TERM 2017:

Staff Training - school closed	Wednesday 4 th January 2017
Start of Pupil Term	Thursday 5 th January 2017
Half Term	Monday 13 th February - Friday 17 th February 2017
End of Pupil Term	Friday 31 st March 2017

SUMMER TERM 2017:

Start of Pupil Term	Tuesday 18 th April 2017
May Bank Holiday	Monday 1 st May 2017
Staff Training - school closed	Friday 26 th May 2017
Half Term	Monday 29 th May 2017 - Friday 2 nd June 2017
End of Pupil Term	Tuesday 25 th July 2017

N.B. FOUNDATION NURSERY CHILDREN WILL HAVE DIFFERENT START DATES FOR THE AUTUMN TERMS DUE TO INDUCTION ARRANGEMENTS AND WILL RETURN ON 12TH SEPTEMBER.



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