

LODDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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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.

Noah B	Hedgehogs and Moles	Fire	Co-operation, caring and quality
Sam R	Turtles	Fire	Respect, caring and kindness to the lunch staff
Melinda R	Turtles	Fire	Caring
Dia T	Turtles	Earth	Caring
Libby C	Kestrels	Earth	Quality and determination
Sebby P	Stingrays	Fire	Confidence in the mornings
Zohra Q	Kestrels	Fire	Quality and determination in writing
Liyana R	Kestrels	Air	Quality and determination in writing
Eshaal K	Octopuses	Earth	Quality multiplying
Henry H	Eagles	Water	Caring and thoughtfulness
Lamiah S	Octopuses	Earth	Determination and quality
Felix L	Kestrels	Water	Thoughtfulness
Arbab W	Octopuses	Earth	Determination
Eynas E	Kites	Fire	Determination, courage and cooperation at PGL
Isla P	Kites	Fire	Cooperation, caring and determination at PGL
Lucy F	Kites	Earth	Perserverance, resilience, courage and caring
Isaac F	Kites	Fire	Courage, positivity and determination at PGL
Mikail G	Hawks	Air	Caring, kindness and motivating others at PGL
Finlay J	Hawks	Air	Resilience, courage and caring at PGL

Staff updates

Mrs Hampton, FSU team leader, will be starting her maternity leave on Monday 5th November. We are very pleased that we have been successful in securing a replacement team leader for the rest of the year. Mrs Caroline March will take over as part time nursery teacher and leader of FSU. Mrs March has previously been a team leader in early years, at a primary school in Bracknell, and comes with a wealth of experience and enthusiasm. She will be joining us the week after half term to complete a full handover with Mrs Hampton.

Mrs Khatun, teacher of Seahorses, will begin her maternity leave on Monday 12th November. We are very pleased to have appointed an experienced teacher to replace her for the rest of the school year - Miss Vassilakis. Miss Vassilakis has previously completed some supply days at Loddon and impressed us with her organised and friendly approach. She will be joining us fulltime from Wednesday 7th November so as to complete a full handover with Mrs Khatun. Miss Vassilakis is looking forward to working with Seahorses' children and parents during the coming months.

We also wish Mrs Qureshi, from FSU, well as she starts her maternity leave immediately after half term.



Miss Gardner will be starting her maternity leave later this term and we are currently recruiting to her post. Look out for further updates via the school newsletter.

And finally we are advertising for SEND Assistants so if you have an interest in SEND and have some experience in working with children why not take a look at the staff vacancies section of our school website.



<https://www.valuesbasededucation.com/>

Values Based Education Enhanced Quality Mark - Well done Loddon team!

Loddon Primary is very proud to have been awarded the Values based Education Enhanced Quality Mark. This quality mark recognises the school's approaches to values, relationships, physical and mental emotional health and our support of other schools through sharing of our ethos and good practice.

Our assessor commented: *'It was such a privilege to spend the day at Loddon Primary School and I unreservedly recommend awarding the school the Enhanced Values-based Education (VbE) Quality Mark. This is an outstanding example of a school where authentic values-driven leadership and whole-school community support have created a school where pupils and staff are nurtured and given every opportunity to flourish. Many congratulations and a heartfelt thank you from all at Values-based Education for everything you are all doing.'* Sue Webb.

Please remember the value of the month during half term - Caring, 关心 guānxīn, Dekh Baal, Jagratha జాగ్రత్త
Let us know when we come back to school how you have shown caring during half term.



Keeping your children safe online - New resources available

Vodafone's Digital Parenting Magazine has now been made more accessible as a website for parents and adults working with children. The site has detailed tips and ideas about how to keep your children safe online alongside longer feature length articles. This can be found at:
<http://vodafonedigitalparenting.co.uk/>

Similarly, mobile network O2 and the NSPCC have recently joined forces to create a range of online safety resources with the aim to support parents and carers in keeping their children safe online. These can be accessed on the O2 app if they are your network provider or via their website at:
<https://www.o2.co.uk/help/nsppc>



Toy donation request

Again this year, we invite parents/carers of Loddon to donate toys for children living in poverty in Reading supporting our ethos of caring... it's the 'Toys and Teen Appeal'in which we would like to participate. <https://www.readingfamilyaid.org/>

Last year was a huge success when we donated to RBH Children's ward who appreciated this very much. If you would like to take part this year please bring in an unused, boxed, reasonable sized toy to donate.



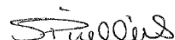
Please refer to the list below to see the items that can be donated and arrange to drop these off on a Wednesday or Thursday to Kam in the Parent Hut or to the school office any other day of the week. *Kam Bhogal PSA*

https://www.readingfamilyaid.org/uploads/1/6/7/9/16795556/toy_donations.png

Toy Donations

Yes Please	No thanks
<p>New or 'as new' toys and gifts as below - clean and complete!</p> <p>Any toys – including battery operated – suitable for children aged 0-16 yrs. Colouring pens, crayons, paints and pencils Colouring books/sketch books Play doh Making and Doing items</p> <p>Books - including new cloth books and those with thick pages for toddlers</p> <p>Craft items Games Jigsaw puzzles Cuddly toys T-shirts for teenagers Hats, gloves and scarves Sports equipment Sweets & chocolates, particularly chocolate selection boxes. Large tins of biscuits. Vouchers for teenagers for Primark, Boots, Smiths, Oracle, iTunes, HMV, Sports Direct, New Look, Accessorize, Claires, barber/hair salon, Steam etc Accessories (bags, belts, make-up bags, toilet bags, jewellery,...) for teenagers Toiletries (male and female) and make-up for teenagers Tickets/vouchers for cinema, theme parks, theatre, panto etc DVDs - excluding those rated 18!! Money with which we can buy gifts New AA batteries</p>	<p>Old, dirty, broken or incomplete toys and gifts and the items listed below</p> <p>Electrical items – if it has a plug on it, I am sorry but we cannot use it. Re-chargeable items - normal battery toys are OK Clothes - except T-shirts for older children Audio cassettes Video cassettes Educational books, reading scheme books, home schooling books and Ladybird books Baby equipment like bottles, changing mats & cribs Food items except chocolate, sweets or tins of biscuits Large items like bikes, pool tables, rocking horses, large push toys</p>

Yours sincerely



Mrs S Phillips - Headteacher

Diary Events List: Autumn 2018

Date	Time	Event
22-26/10/18	All week	Autumn Half term
29/10/18	All day	INSET day - School closed to pupils for staff training
30/10/18	13.30-15.00	Y3 REInspired session at Brookside Church (venue TBC): Creation
31/10/18	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in the Parent Hut
1/11/18	10.30	Tour of the Foundation Stage Unit for prospective parents of F1 children
6/11/18	School day	Thames Valley Police Social Media talk to KS2 children
7/11/18	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in the Parent Hut
7/11/18	9.00-9.45	Karen Bird (Police Liaison Officer) at PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in the Parent Hut: Topics: social media; personal safety; firearms and knife education; stop and search; rules and laws.
7/11/18	9.45-10.00	Meet the PTA members at the PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning
7/11/18	12.45-14.45	Maths course in the Parent Hut
7-8/11/18	16.00-19.00	Parent:teacher meetings for parents of children in F2 - Y6
8/11/18	15.15	Second hand uniform sale in the Parent Hut



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14/11/18	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in the Parent Hut
15/11/18	20.00-22.00	PTA Meeting in the Parent Hut
16/11/18	School day	Cybercrime Theatre Production for Y6 pupils
21/11/18	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in the Parent Hut
22/11/18	9.30-10.30	F2-Y6 Annual open event for prospective parents
23/11/18	17.00-20.00	PTA Autumn Disco Y1-6 17.00-18.15 then 18.45-20.00
28/11/18	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in the Parent Hut
4/12/18	13.30-15.00	Y6 REInspired session in school: Christmas - Mary
4/12/18	17.30-18.30	Assessment Parent information evening for parents of children in Y1-6
5/12/18	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in the Parent Hut
5/12/18	18.00-19.30	Full Governing Body meeting - attendance by invitation of the Chair or HT only
6/12/18	10.30	Tour of the Foundation Stage Unit for prospective parents of F1 children
7/12/18	All day	PTA Mufti day
10/12/18	9.30-10.15	Y2 Christmas production to school (including local community)
10/12/18	14.30-15.00	Y1 Christmas concert to school
11/12/18	9.30-10.15	Y2 Christmas production performance
11/12/18	10.45-11.15	Reception dress rehearsal 1
11/12/18	14.30-15.00	Y1 Christmas concert performance
12/12/18	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in the Parent Hut
12/12/18	9.30-10.00	Y1 Christmas concert performance
12/12/18	10.45-11.15	Reception dress rehearsal to school
12/12/18	14.30-15.15	Y2 Christmas production performance
13/12/18	9.30-10.15	Reception Christmas performance
14/12/18	14.30-15.15	Reception Christmas performance
17/12/18	9.15-9.45	Nursery Christmas Sing Song in Foundation Stage Hall
17/12/18	14.30-15.00	Nursery Christmas Sing Song in Foundation Stage Hall
17/12/18	15.30-16.30	PTA Christmas celebration and hampers
19/12/18	9.00-10.00	PSA Parent Tea/Coffee morning in the Parent Hut
19/12/18	9.30-11.30	Christmas service at St. Nicolas Church F2-KS1 9.30-10.30, KS2 10.30-11.30
19/12/18	End of day	Final day of Autumn term - All children finish 30 minutes earlier than their usual time.
20/12-2/1/19	All week	Christmas holiday