Newsletter

Monday 18th November, 2019

FRIDAY NIGHT IS MOVIE NIGHT



The FOLS cinema night fundraiser is this Friday, 22nd November.

We will be showing two films this time - 102 Dalmatians and Rise of the Guardians.

The children will be served a hot meal consisting of: a hot dog (sausage in a roll), vegetable sticks, a little cake or some chocolate, sweets, and a soft drink.



Jan has asked me to thank on her behalf all those parents, who generously donated to her leaving gift at the special assembly on Friday. She said: "Please would you thank everyone for my warm welcome this morning. It was so nice to see everyone.

"Also, please would you thank the parents for all the lovely messages in my card and the amazing gift. I was so surprised. A big thank you to everyone."

Headteacher's Welcome

THANK YOU FRIENDS OF LEWKNOR SCHOOL (FOLS)



Not only do we have the best children in the world at Lewknor, we also have the best parents! The Friends of Lewknor School have yet again made a HUGE donation to school. The £7,169 will pay for the following: school trips including the Oxford panto this Christmas, books for the children and a range of teaching resources such as computer software Discovery Espresso and Discovery Coding, maths mastery resources, assessment resources such as 2 Simple and Testbase. We were also able to use some of the funding to pay for one of our new state-of-the

art interactive whiteboards. The funding will benefit each and every child at Lewknor Primary (as well as help the teachers plan and deliver fun and interesting lessons).

A special mention must be given to Livvy who recently raised £102 for FOLS by selling her home-made apple juice. Many thanks to all of you who support our school by giving so generously. It is much appreciated.



Above: Some of our children with a cheque designed and made by Marie!

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LEST WE FORGET—REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

Blye, the 15-year-old Chinnor War Horse, returned to Lewknor Primary for our Remembrance Service last week. Husband and wife team Maurice and Lucinda Britnell, who own Blye, came dressed as World War One cavalry soldiers to talk to the children about the harsh conditions soldiers and horses faced during the war.

One of Mr Britnell's ancestors, Albert Britnell who died in the First World War, came from the Lewknor area. Albert served with the 2nd Battalion Berkshire. He died on the first day of the Battle of Loos on the Western Front on 25th September 1915. He was only 24 years old.



Left: Children in the Infants class get a close look at Blye. Blye is normally accompanied by sister 17-year-old Abbie, but unfortunately Abbie pulled a shoe before she was due to set off for Lewknor.

Right: Maurice and Lucinda Britnell with Blye, the Chinnor War Horse.

The Britnells attend many Remembrance Day services around the local area.

The couple support the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. School C of E Primary School

Right: Meira, Erin and Leah took the lead in the special assembly by reading prayers and poetry.

Thank you to Mrs Wakefield, who organised the assembly this year.



Another relative, Arnold Jellis (*see picture right*), was killed near Dunkirk on 30th August 1917. He was an acting bombardier in the Royal Field Artillery and he would have had to 'drive' six horses carrying heavy guns. Mr Britnell said he thought that Arnold tried to save his horses from a gas attack rather than escaping himself.

Mr Britnell explained that some of the cavalry horses would have had to carry 18 stone of provisions including camp beds, water and ammunition. Eight million horses are thought to have died during the First World War, but surprisingly the majority died of malnutrition rather than from battle wounds.



We also had a visit from the Lewknor Blue Cross Rehoming Centre.

Blue Cross worker, Georgina (pictured left with Ralph, Olivia and Leah) talked to the children in the Upper Juniors class about the role dogs played during war time.

Dogs carried aid to the wounded, took messages between the lines, and sniffed out enemy soldiers.



Above: Arnold Jellis



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Right: Peter, our vicar, also took part in the service. He is pictured here with some of the children, who had many questions to ask Mr and Mrs Britnell.





Many parents, grandparents and members of the village community took part in our annual service. Pictured left is mum and governor Dawn Seston with her Thames Valley Police sergeant.

Our children's behaviour was impeccable during the two minutes' silence. They also stood very still and silently while we played Nimrod from Enigma Variations by Elgar and The Last Post.





Our most recent Bag 2 School raised £112. Thank you all for your donations and many thanks to Fiona for organising the fundraiser.

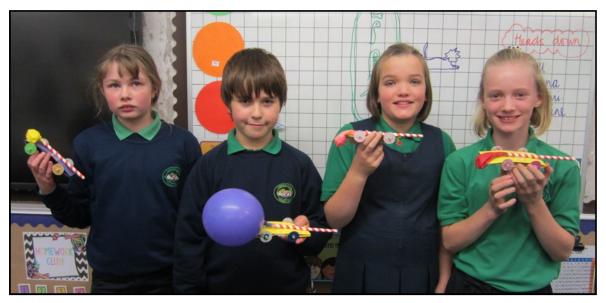


OUR YOUNG ENGINEERS



I love these photographs of our young engineers having fun during the after school STEMKids club (STEM stands for science, technology, engineering and maths). Here they have just made some balloon cars. When you let the air out of the balloon the car zooms off at great speed and travels some distance! One mum was very impressed with how well they worked.

I am hoping that we will have enough children signed up for other sessions. These include making pocket torches, vibrating bugs, windmills and slime. The children are encouraged to think up a design, build it, test it and them improve on their design.



Above: our Year 6 pupils Leah, Elliot, Jess and Meira

Mrs Cole



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Buy Your Tickets Today To Help Our School

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- Lewknor C of E Primary School has launched a lottery
- Tickets cost just £1 per ticket, per week and 40% of all ticket sales are donated to our school.
- A GUARANTEED cash prize to someone on our supporter list every week.
- A further chance of winning £25,000 in a separate draw EVERY WEEK!
- Draws are every Saturday at 8pm and results are posted online.

To start supporting, Visit: www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play

And Search For: Lewknor C of E Primary School



Supporters must be 16 years of age or older.

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A healthy packed lunch should include something from each of the four main food groups -

starchy carbohydrates (bread, rice, potatoes, pasta), fruit and vegetables, protein containing foods (meat, fish, eggs and beans), and milk and dairy foods – as well as a drink. Here are some ideas of items for each group:

Starchy carbohydrates

A sandwich/roll/wrap/pitta bread (trying using wholegrain varieties or 50/50)

Pasta/couscous/rice

Protein filling

Lean meat/chicken/turkey (add lettuce or tomatoes!)

Fish/tuna (add cucumber or peppers!)

Eggs

Beans

Fruit and vegetables

Chop raw vegetable crudités such as carrot sticks which can be great for dipping in hummus

Fresh fruit (apple, grapes, banana, kiwi)

Dried fruits (raisins, apricots)

Dairy

Low fat yoghurt - plain or fruit (watch out for those high in sugar!)

Small pot of rice pudding

Low fat cheese slices

Added extras

Plain popcorn or reduced fat crisps

Sugar-free jelly pot

A plain biscuit

(There's nothing wrong with this, just try to make healthier choices when you can)

Put in a drink – It is important to stay hydrated, so give your child a bottle of plain water, plain milk (skimmed or semi-skimmed), or no added-sugar fruit juice

For complete lunchbox ideas and tips, visit: https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes



Diary dates for this academic year—new or changed diary dates are highlighted in green.

2019-2020

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings - Daily Mile

22nd November	FoLS Film Night for children
26th November	Big Christmas Sing (selected children in KS2)
27th November	Whole school flu vaccinations
29th November	Bright Sparks assembly
5th December	Christingle making (afternoon)
6th December	Christingle Assembly
6th December	FoLS Christmas disco (evening)
9th December	School choir visit to Chiltern Grange Care Home
10th December	School choir visit to Hempton Field Care Home
11th December	Whole school visit to Oxford Playhouse to see Beauty and the Beast
17th December	School Nativity (morning performance at 9.30am)
18th December	School Nativity (evening performance at 6.00pm)
19th December	Whole school Christmas lunch provided and served by FoLS
19th December	Break up for Christmas at 1.30pm
6th January	Return to school
20th January	National Childhood Measurement Programme weights and measures for children in Reception
	and year 6



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3rd-7th February	After School Book Fair	
13th February	FoLS Community Concert fundraiser	
14th February	Break up for half term at 3.15pm	
24th February	Return to school	
TBC March	Junior Citizens trip for year 6 children	
4th March	UJ Class Trip to Chiltern Open Air Museum	
5th March	World Book Day at Lewknor (children to dress up)	
16th-20th March	Sport Relief Week	
19th March	Mothers' Day posy making (pm)	
20th March	Mothers' Day assembly	
26th March	School choir visit to Hempton Field Care Home	
27th March	School choir visit to Chiltern Grange Care Home	
TBC April	Kingswood residential trip meeting for LI class parents	
1st April	Parent evening (3.30-5.00pm)	
2nd April	Parent evening (5.00-7.00pm)	
3rd April	Easter Egg Hunt (whole school)	
3rd April	Last day of Spring term - school finishes at 1.30pm	
20th April	Return to school	
TBC April	LJ class swimming lessons	
22nd April	Bikeability training for all year 5 children (safe, serviced bicycle and helmet required)	
23rd April	Bikeability training for all year 5 children (safe, serviced bicycle and helmet required)	
24th April	School Open Morning	
28th April	Bag2School Collection	



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	29th April - 1st May LJ Kingswood residential trip		
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	TBC May	Puberty talks for UJ class	
	TBC May	Whole school and class photographs	
	1st– 22nd May	KS1 SATS (year 2 children)	
	7th May	May Day celebrations	
	8th May	Bank Holiday	
	11th-15th May	KS2 SATS week (year 6 children)	
	22nd May	Break up for half term at 3.15pm	
	1st June	Return to school	
	6th June	Sydenham Fayre	
	8th-12th June	Year 1 National Phonics Screening	
	13th June	FoLS Fun Day	
	19th June	Fathers' Day Assembly	
	24th June	Practice Sports Day	
	24th June	Year 6 outing	
	26th June	FoLS BBQ for whole school and families (midday-1pm)	
	26th June	Sports Day from 1pm	



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2nd July IMPS fundraiser (year 6 children) 3rd July Whole school moving up day 9th July KS2 production - morning performance at 9.30am 9th July KS2 production - evening performance at 6.00pm 10th July **Reserve Sports Day** 16th July **Parent evening** 17th July Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 17th July End of Summer Term - school finishes at 1.30am



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From April 2015, the threshold figure which forms part of the tax credit free school meal eligibility category is £16,190.

Pupils whose parents/carers receive the following support payments are entitled to free school meals (assuming the parent does not receive Working Tax Credit). Under the current criteria, children who receive, or whose parents receive, one or more of the following support payments are entitled to receive free school meals and eligible for two-year-old funding:-

- Income-based and contribution-based Jobseekers Allowance or ESA on an equal basis
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit, provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income, as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs, that does not exceed £16,190
- Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit
- Where a parent is entitled to Working Tax Credit run-on (the payment someone receives for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit).
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- Working Tax Credit, provided they have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190 per year (eligible for two-year-old funding only)
- Universal Credit

If you believe your child may be eligible to receive free school meals, please complete an application form and return it to the school office **as soon as possible**. Application forms can be downloaded from the school website or found in paper form in the letter rack at school. There is a very simple, confidential, process we can run through Oxfordshire County Council to check eligibility.

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If you would like help raise additional funds for our school via AmazonSmile, please visit <u>https://smile.amazon.co.uk</u> and search for Lewknor School Educational Fund. Thank you!

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SCHOOL INFORMATION

PIANO LESSONS

Michael Davies works in many Oxfordshire schools and has worked at Lewknor for several years.

Michael offers piano lessons and if your child is interested in learning to play, please contact him as follows:

07857 896600



If you would like to sign your child up for drum lessons with Terry Lucas at Lewknor School, please complete a Drum Lesson Interest Form which can be downloaded from the school website (Parents/Music Lessons) and return it to the school office.





Skills and enjoyment for life get into music

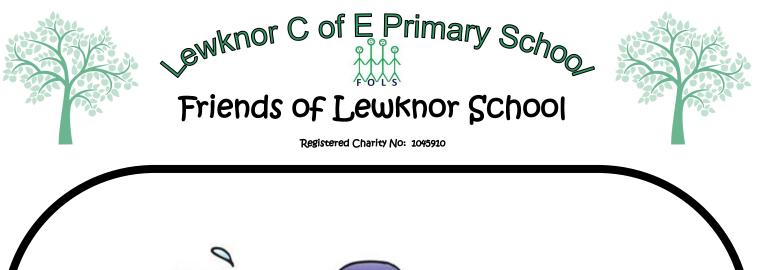
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For information on instrumental/vocal lessons and ensembles, visit: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/musicinterest



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THE 3 LAKES CHALLENGE 2020!!

I'm looking for parents to join me in kayaking the longest 3 lakes in the Lake District in 12 hours to raise money for our amazing school & make our brilliant children proud!!

This challenge is open to all ability levels- you don't need to be an expert - just have a great sense of humour and team spirit.

If you are interested please contact Tiggs (me) for more details Text/call on 07879407767 or email at <u>mcarpenterhanson@gmail·com</u> or see me in the playground· <u>Deadline for signing up is 29th November</u>

> All monies raised will go to FoLS LETS DO THIS!!



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DIARY DATES

22nd November 6th December 19th December 13th February 7th May 13th June

Christmas disco Christmas lunch Community Concert May Day Fun Day

Film Night

Dates for your diary

THANK

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THANK YOU

to

Livvy

for very kindly selling your apple juice to

raise £102 for FoLS!

Thank you also to everyone who bought the apple juice.

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Don't forget that FOLS is registered with Easyfundraising. For more information, please click on this link:-

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsoflewknorschoolfols

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FOLS FILM & TEA NIGHT FRIDAY 22ND NOVEMBER 3.15-5.30PM FILMS: 102 DALMATIONS & RISE OF THE GUARDIANS

Dear Parents

We are holding a film and tea night for Lewknor Primary School children on Friday 22^{nd} November between 3.15-5.30pm. On this occasion, children will have the choice of two films! Tickets costs £6 per child, payable in advance (cash or cheque payable to Friends of Lewknor School) which includes a pork sausage in a bread roll, vegetable sticks, fruit, drinks, sweets and a chocolate.

Please complete and return the form below to the School Office by 3pm on Friday 15th November at the latest, together with your payment. We need to cater based on the number of children booked in, so we may not have sufficient food to cater for late bookings.

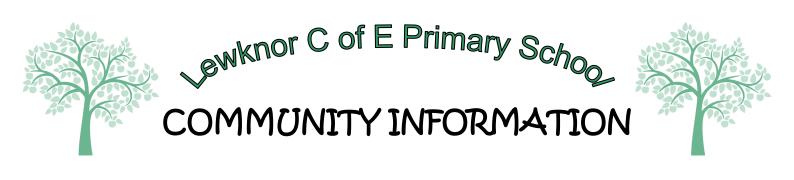
On the day, please arrive to collect your child/children promptly. We will release children to their parents/adults in the playground. Please indicate on the form below if another adult will be collecting your child/children on your behalf.

FOLS FILM & TEA NIGHT

Many thanks.

Friends of Lewknor School

FRIDAY 22 ND NOVMEBER 2019					
Number of tickets required:					
Names of children:					
Film choice (places tick)	102 Dalmations				
Film choice (please tick):	Elf – Rise of the Guardians				
Parent name:					
Parent signature:					
Date:					
Contact number:					
Food allergies (not preference):					
Adult collecting child on the day:					



GRAPEVINE MAGAZINE

The most recent publication of The Grapevine (Parish magazine for Lewknor) can be found by clicking on the link below:-

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