



# Lewknor C of E Primary School

## Newsletter



Monday 27th January, 2020

### FoLS COMMUNITY CONCERT—YOUR SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!

We have a number of great acts lined up for this year's Community Concert, where parents join their children to put on a fantastic show.

We will have music from our very own Valerie Vale aka Miss Lawes and her partner Mark Wallace, and Jess and her mum Fiona, who will be sure to delight the audience with their Pink Panther piece.

Other children will be performing solos or duets, which is extremely brave of them. Some will be singing, others will be playing instruments such as the guitar and drums.

The Lower Juniors will be performing on cornet. And our wonderful choir (KS2 only) will no doubt give an enthusiastic performance.

However, to ensure the concert is a great success, I am asking all mums, dads and grandparents (as well as children) to support it. We will need you there on the night. So do keep the early evening of **THURSDAY 13th FEBRUARY** free. The FoLS fundraising concert starts at 7pm and will be held in St Margaret's Church.

**PLEASE SUPPORT THE SCHOOL  
COMMUNITY AND THE  
COMMUNITY CONCERT!**

Thank You

### Headteacher's Welcome

#### LOWER JUNIORS SINK THEIR TEETH INTO SCIENCE



*Above: Bill hopes the dye is not permanent!*

Children in Lower Juniors have been learning about teeth in science and in last week's lesson they conducted an experiment to see how much plaque they had on their teeth.

They were given disclosing tablets, which when chewed stains plaque (and tongues!) a bright blue colour. The more plaque the darker the colour.

Mrs Wakefield explained that the experiment revealed which teeth the children need to pay particular attention to when they are brushing.

The children then cleaned their teeth with a toothbrush and some toothpaste.

Apart from learning how to keep their teeth healthy, the children will be taught about the different types of teeth and their functions, eg, molars grind food while canines tear food.



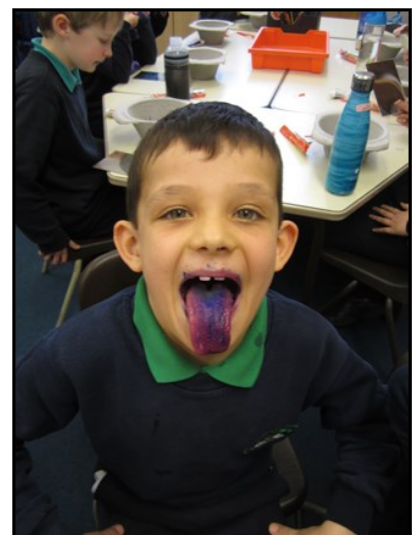
*Left: Mrs Wakefield helps Bill check his teeth using a mirror*

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*These children have learned not only about healthy teeth but that science is fun! Pictured on this page are: Laurence and Livvy, Hattie, Isaac, Noah and Sophia*







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*Left: Jasmine and Laurence*

*Right: Holly*



That's a relief—the dye and plaque are removed after a thorough teeth cleaning session



*Above: Isaac, Sophia, Riley, Ellena and Jayden*



*Above: Heidi, Remi, Thea, Charlie and Harley*



*Left: Wilfred, Sophie, Bill, Scarlet, Jasmine, Laurence and Livvy*





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## WHAT'S COOKING?

Mrs Birch has been helping the children cook a range of mouth-watering dishes at the after-school cookery club. Meira, Laurence, Heidi, Tilly and Wyatt have so far made apple crumble cup cakes, mozzarella and red pepper tart and 'football' cobbler, which had a shepherd's pie base and cheese scone topping. Sounds delicious!

## LUNCHTIME DRUMMING CLUB

Terry Lucas, who runs our lunchtime drumming club, has some spare places if any child would like to start learning how to play the drums.

Terry plans to give a drumming demo at one of our Friday celebration assemblies. I will keep you posted about the date.



## RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS

This month as a school we are going to be undertaking a month of Random Acts of Kindness. The children and teachers have agreed to try to spread a little kindness throughout our community.

Mrs Wakefield, whose idea it was, has issued us with a calendar sheet which contains ideas about how we can be kind to others for every day of the month.

For example, we are being encouraged to: smile at everyone you see today; clean up a mess that wasn't yours; help someone carry their shopping; call your grandparents or an older relative just to say hi; learn something new about someone different from you; and lots more.

Marie, pictured left, was the first child to complete all the Random Acts of Kindness for January, and she did it in a very short time. She even added two more ideas of her own to the list which were: make breakfast for someone; and lend someone something.

I think we should continue with this lovely idea for February and even for the rest of the year.

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The **Hit Squad** (or Squaddie to be more precise as there is only one of them!) is returning to Lewknor. Musician Andy Nice, from the Oxfordshire Music Service, will be taking part in a special assembly to encourage the children to take up a musical instrument. Andy will be demonstrating how to play the cello and violin. Parents are very welcome to pop along to the assembly, which will be held at 2.30pm on Monday 3rd February. The Hit Squad always provide excellent entertainment.

Parents please note that Miss Harjette has organised a **Stay and Learn Session** from 9am to 10am on Tuesday 4th February. Parents of children in the Reception class are invited to stay at school after registration so that they can observe how their children learn in the Early Years.

Mrs Wakefield is inviting parents of the children in Lower Juniors to stay after school on Thursday 26th March to go through important information about the **Kingswood** residential trip.

**Mrs Cole**





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## Diary Dates

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**

<b>20th January</b>	<b>National Childhood Measurement Programme weights and measures for children in Reception and Year 6</b>
<b>3rd-7th February</b>	<b>After School Book Fair</b>
<b>4th February</b>	<b>Stay and Learn session for parents of Reception children</b>
<b>6th February</b>	<b>Sport Hall Athletics for the UJ Class at ICC</b>
<b>13th February</b>	<b>FoLS Community Concert fundraiser</b>
<b>14th February</b>	<b>Break up for half-term at 3.15pm</b>
<b>24th February</b>	<b>Return to school</b>
<b>4th March</b>	<b>UJ Class Trip to Chiltern Open Air Museum</b>
<b>5th March</b>	<b>World Book Day at Lewknor (children to dress up as a character from a favourite book)</b>
<b>12th March</b>	<b>Junior Citizens trip for Year 6 children</b>
<b>16th-20th March</b>	<b>Sport Relief Week</b>
<b>19th March</b>	<b>Mothers' Day posy making (pm)</b>
<b>20th March</b>	<b>Mothers' Day assembly</b>
<b>25th March</b>	<b>UJ trip to Oxford Science Centre</b>
<b>26th March</b>	<b>School choir visit to Hempton Field Care Home</b>
<b>26th March</b>	<b>Kingswood residential trip meeting for LJ class parents</b>
<b>27th March</b>	<b>School choir visit to Chiltern Grange Care Home</b>



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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
29th April - 1st May	LJ Kingswood residential trip
TBC May	Year 6 trip to IMPS
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



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<b>6th June</b>	<b>Sydenham Fayre</b>
<b>8th-12th June</b>	<b>Year 1 National Phonics Screening</b>
<b>13th June</b>	<b>FoLS Fun Day</b>
<b>19th June</b>	<b>Fathers' Day Assembly</b>
<b>24th June</b>	<b>Practice Sports Day</b>
<b>24th June</b>	<b>Year 6 outing</b>
<b>26th June</b>	<b>FoLS BBQ for whole school and families (midday-1pm)</b>
<b>26th June</b>	<b>Sports Day from 1pm</b>
<b>1st July</b>	<b>Year 5 visit to ICC</b>
<b>2nd July</b>	<b>Year 6 Transition Day at ICC</b>
<b>3rd July</b>	<b>Day two of Year 6 Transition Day at ICC</b>
<b>3rd July</b>	<b>Whole school moving up day</b>
<b>9th July</b>	<b>KS2 production - morning performance at 9.30am</b>
<b>9th July</b>	<b>KS2 production - evening performance at 6.00pm</b>
<b>10th July</b>	<b>Reserve Sports Day</b>
<b>16th July</b>	<b>Parent evening</b>
<b>17th July</b>	<b>Year 6 Leavers' Assembly</b>
<b>17th July</b>	<b>End of Summer Term - school finishes at 1.30am</b>



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## FREE SCHOOL MEAL ENTITLEMENT

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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To Help Our School**



- 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.

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And Search For:

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Supporters must be 16 years of age or older.





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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**



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**Have Fun**  
learn to  
**& Drum**

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.



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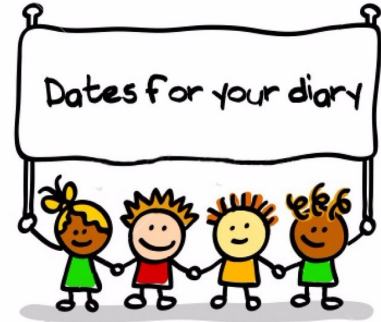
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### FOLS DIARY DATES

13th February	Community Concert
7th May	May Day
13th June	Fun Day



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## COMMUNITY INFORMATION



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