



Lewknor C of E Primary School Newsletter



Monday 24th June, 2019

FABULOUS FoLS

Our fabulous FoLS team organised a fantastic fun day last weekend, which raised a whopping £2,052 for school!

The Rodeo day on Saturday broke all fundraising fun day records—yee hah!



You may have already read the report from the FoLS team but check out next week's newsletter for the photos taken on the day.

In the meantime, a **HUGE** thank you to all of you who made the day such a success. I know how hard you all work and it is very much appreciated by all the staff at our wonderful school.



Headteacher's Welcome

CHILDREN CELEBRATE HERO DADS AT FATHER'S DAY ASSEMBLY



It was wonderful to see so many dads (and granddads) at our recent Father's Day assembly. The school choir sang three rousing songs— I Need A Hero, My Dad, and The Father's Day Song. Our audience enjoyed the adapted lyrics to Bonnie Tyler's 'I Need A Hero' such as 'and he's got to make pizza for tea' as well as 'and his tickles have got to be right'. 'My Dad' was adapted from the Mary Wells hit 'My Guy', for example the children sang, 'Nothing you could say can tear me away from my dad.'

The Upper Juniors are pictured above with some rod puppets they made in class. Miss Lawes asked the children to design a puppet that would appeal to their dads so we had: a giraffe, a cat, an elephant, a mouse, a penguin, a meme and a zombie!

The Lower Juniors (see photos on next page) painted trees with the children's hand prints for leaves, and each child wrote a special message for their dads.

The Infants class made Super Dad cards and the children wrote adjectives to describe their dads, while the Reception class painted portraits of their dads. I am sure all the gifts will be treasured forever.

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Above, so sweet: Olivia, Scarlet and Theo with their Father's Day cards.

Below: The Lower Juniors display their cards. All the children were wearing PJs at school because we had a pyjama day to raise funds for the Ronald McDonald House Charities. School raised £220 for the charity, which helps families while their child receives care and treatment in specialist children's hospitals.





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Left: Our Reception class with their portraits of their daddies



Above: Infants with their Super Dad cards



LUXURY BUG HOTEL GETS 5* RATING



School had two special visitors last week when conservationists Fiona and Gavin (pictured left with the Reception children) took time off from their busy schedule to teach our children how to protect the environment.

Fiona, who lives in Lewknor and works for the Chiltern Society, started the day with an assembly explaining the type of work she does and how some species of plants and animals are under threat. The children were taught how very important it is to take care of their environment.

Each class went on a bug and plant hunt, and Fiona and Gavin were on hand to explain all about the wildflowers and insects the children came across in the church yard and school grounds. The children also collected some bugs in special pots (*Holly is pictured below with Fiona*) as they walked round the grounds, and these bugs were placed in our new bug hotel.

Fiona and Gavin showed the children how to construct the hotel (see picture right). Our local pub, The Leathern Bottle, kindly donated some pallets, which provided the frame of the hotel.



The children had brought in from home plant pots, cardboard and bamboo canes. They also gathered sticks, leaves, pebbles, bark and moss, which all went into the hotel because it helps make the insects feel right at home!



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Above left: the children wander round the church grounds looking for insects

Above right: Isaac and Stanley find snails

Left: Remi and Crispin scoop up some bugs in their pots

Right and bottom right: Cameron discovers something interesting under a stone



Right: Lexi with Harley. Lexi had collected a number of snails





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The children learned that invertebrates like millipedes like to burrow in straw, while spiders, woodlice, centipedes and beetles shelter under layers of wood.

Amphibians, like frogs, enjoy the cool shade of tiles, while the hollow stems of bamboo canes make a great home for solitary bees.

The children also discovered that there could be up to 2,000 species of insects living in their gardens.



Our bug hotel will provide the insects with food, shelter, a nesting and hibernation area, which Fiona says will go towards halting the global decline in insect species.

Above left: Bea closely inspects a flower

Above right: Freya also looks carefully at a flower

Left: the Upper Juniors start building the bug hotel in the Infants garden



Left: Olivia holds a snail

Right: Bea, Ivy and Elektra look closely at the snail Chloe is holding





RASCALLY ROCCO STOPS OFF FOR STORYTIME



Look who's back! Rocco was roaming around the school when he spotted Ollie reading to parent volunteer Sarah Bonner. He leapt up onto the chair to listen to the story Ollie was reading and Rocco thought Ollie read it purrfectly!



PRODUCTION PLEA

Miss Lawes has asked me to put a plea out to parents for a number of items for the school's summer production.

This year the children will be performing Rock Bottom, which is set in the Stone Age, on Thursday 11th July.

We need the following (some of the requests may seem a bit strange):

Large cardboard for scenery and props

Fake fur (largish pieces that can be made into a costume).

Tiger costume / onesie (to fit a child).

Larger dinosaur costume or onesie.

Bird puppets.

Old lady wrinkly mask - needs to have the mouth free for the voice to come across.

Toilet seat.

Three pink handbags.



Production Plea Continued

Miss Lawes has also asked for: cheap oversized T-shirts. They should come down towards the children's knees. The children will be painting them, so they will not be returnable.

x 2 blue
x 3 pink
x 9 green
x 3 purple
x 5 red
x 3 yellow
x 4 black
x 3 white

Mrs Cole



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Ideas for a *'healthy'* lunchbox.....



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>



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Diary Dates

Diary dates for this academic year can also be found on the Lewknor Primary School website. New or changed diary dates are highlighted in green.

2019

24th June	New reception children induction (9.30am-midday) and parent briefing (9.30-10.30am)
24th June	Practice sports day
26th June	ICC buddying session for Year 6 children moving up to ICC
26th June	Year 6 bowling outing—letter to follow
28th June	Sports Day (1.30pm) and FoLS BBQ (12 noon)
1st July	IMPS fundraiser run by Year 6 children (morning obstacle course and after school cake sale - cake donations gratefully received).
1st July	New reception children induction (9.15am-11.45am)
2nd July	Whole school trip to Christchurch Cathedral
3rd, 4th & 5th July	Transition days for Year 6 moving up to ICC
5th July	New reception children taster day including lunch (8.50-1.15pm)
5th July	Whole school moving up day
10th July	KS2 production—afternoon performance (1.30pm)
11th July	KS2 production in the church (6.00pm)
12th July	Reserve sports day
12th July	School reports issued
17th July	UJ Class Trip to Rutherford Appleton Laboratory
18th July	CANCELLED: Whole school walk to Chinnor and games
18th July	Parent evening 3.30-7.00pm
19th July	Non-uniform day in aid of FoLS (£1 donation per child)
19th July	Year 6 leavers' assembly
19th July	End of term and school year—school finishes at 1.30pm



Assemblies are held every Friday at 9.10am. Parents and members of the community are welcome to attend.



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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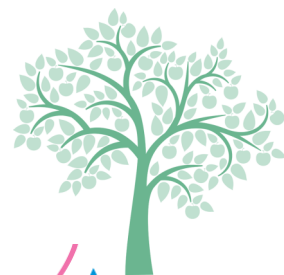
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SCHOOL INFORMATION

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:

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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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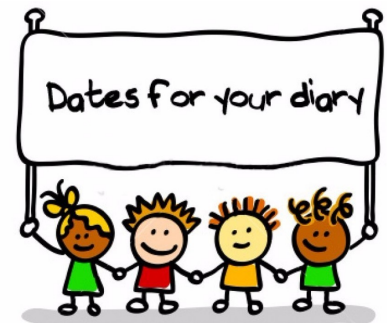
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DIARY DATES

Every Friday	Ice Cream Sale at 3.15pm (Summer term only)
28th June 2019	FoLS BBQ for pupils, staff and parents/families at 12 noon and Sports Day at 1.30pm
19th July 2019	Non-uniform day in aid of FoLS (£1 voluntary donation per child)
TBC September 2019	FoLS Sponsored Walk (details to follow)



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