

Newsletter



Monday 11th November, 2019

TRANSFORMATION EVENING

All parents and grandparents are invited to our Transformation Evening this Thursday, 14th November, from 5pm to 6.30pm.

Transformation Evening show-cases the Topic work completed over the Autumn term by our pupils. In the Upper Juniors the theme is the Second World War while in Lower Juniors it is Ancient Egypt. The Infants class has been studying Florence Nightingale but there will also be displays showing the geography work the children have worked on plus a display of pop art. There will be lots of activities in the reception class with a Children in Need theme.

All parents are welcome to have a look at the work completed not just in their child's class but in all other classrooms.

The children are asked to come dressed as a child of the time they are studying.

The children should escort their parents so that they can inform them what they and their class have been working on.

The evening will end in Miss Lawes's classroom with the children singing a number of songs.

Please may I remind children to stay with their parents throughout and not to wander off and play in the playground because there are no staff available to supervise you to make sure you are safe.

Headteacher's Welcome

BIG ME DAY!



At our Big Me Day, before half-term, the children came to school dressed up in clothes they would wear for the career they would like to choose once they leave education. We had film stars, ballet dancers, doctors, nurses, footballers, explorers, games designers, DJs, soldiers, police officers, fashion designers, jockeys, hockey and tennis players, gymnasts, photographers, a fisherman, a baker, a palaeontologist, a rock star, and the best job in the world...teacher!

Several parents volunteered to talk to the children about their jobs. We had very interesting talks from parents including: Mr Pearce (a pilot), Mr Full (a sound engineer for the theatre, who has worked in the West End), Mr David (who works in marketing and makes adverts for TV), and Mrs Freeman (forensic scientist).



Above: some of the mums and dads who gave careers talks

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Above: Upper Juniors strike a pose. The world is their oyster!



Above: Thea asks is anyone for tennis!

There were also talks from: Mrs Lewis (a life coach and nutritionist), Ms Carpenter-Hanson (who is buying up woodland around the UK to help preserve it), Mrs Bonner (who plans the floor space in John Lewis stores), Mr Bolton (CEO of an engineering company), and Mrs Moore (who talked about her many careers before becoming a teacher). The idea was to show the children that there is a wide variety of careers out there and to tell them they can be anything they want to be, though it can require hard work to achieve their dreams.

Big Me Day also raised funds for Action Aid. Many thanks to Mrs Wakefield for organising the event, and thank you to all the parents who gave up their time to talk to the children.



Left: The three amigos. Ewan (an explorer), Elliot (a fisherman with his shark) and Logan, who would like to join the army and keep us all safe.





Right: Matilda the policewoman

Below: Jasper the scientist





Below: Scarlet strikes a pose as a movie star!



Left: Olivia as a fashion designer
Below: Holly and Poppy as jockeys

Below right: Devon would like to be a hockey

player











So sweet—our ballet dancers Left: Patience and Ariana Right: Camille and Hattie





Left: the footballers— Archie, Laurence, Wilfred, Charlie, Noah, Isaac, Stanley, Jayden and Harley

Right: What a smile! Photographer Ollie shows how to smile for the camera



Right: Our caring doctors and nurses—Lilly, Tilly and Alexia-Rose will look after all of us







Rock DJ! Right: Jack and Taylor. Far right: Crispin





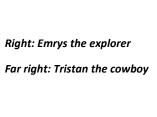
More cool dudes. Right: Charlie the rock star

Below: Remi the astronaut



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Left: Lily the gymnast, Emilie the doctor, Georgie the teacher and Rubie the photographer





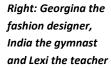


Above: Eris the master chef!

Far left: Izzy the author and Jasmine the make-up artist

Left: Mylah the policewoman

Below: Florence the jockey with Ruby Tuesday the doctor











Below from left to right: Ralph the rugby player, Freddie the palaeontologist and Sophie the tennis player







REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY

We held our whole school Remembrance Day Assembly at 10.50am in the school playground today with a two-minutes' silence at 11am. We were joined once again by the war horses and this year we had members of the Blue Cross as special guests. They gave a talk to the Upper Juniors, about the part brave dogs played during the battles of the World Wars. Look out for next week's newsletter for a full report and photos.

CHILDREN IN NEED DAY

Children can come to school this Friday, 15th November, wearing spots (spotty clothes, spotty accessories and even spotty faces) to help celebrate Children in Need Day. We ask that parents kindly give a donation of £1 to this very worthwhile charity.

YOUNG ENGINEERS CLUB

We still need three more children (Key Stage 2 - years 3, 4, 5 & 6) to join the Monday after-school club. Organisers of the STEMKids Club agreed to cover one session today but unless we have more children, then the club will have to fold (parents will be reimbursed).

Children get the opportunity to design and make various projects such as: balloon cars, pocket torches, vibrating bugs, slime and windmills, and they get to take their models home.

The sessions start straight after school and run until 4.30pm. The cost of each session is £7. For more information or to book, please visit:

https://stemkids.co.uk/product/lewknor-c-of-e-primary-school-yrs-3-6-aut-2-m2/?address=lewknor&lat=51.671955&lng=-0.968283

THANK YOU to Ernestine's family, who sent school a donation after a collection was held in the church following her funeral. We have decided to put it towards the cost of our Christingles. The Christingle service was one of Ernestine's favourite events. The staff and children will think of and remember Ernestine on this special day.







We will be holding a farewell assembly for Jan at this week's Friday assembly. Jan, a much-loved TA who started working at Lewknor in September 2011 and retired in October, will get a chance to say goodbye to the parents.

And talking of farewells... our wonderful school administrator Vicky Ashby has decided the time has come for her to step down and take a well-deserved break from the world of work. Vicky's last day at Lewknor will be on Friday 29th November.

I wish our two members of staff the very best and I must admit I am a little bit envious—they are going to have plenty of time to do their Christmas shopping!

THREE LAKE CHALLENGE

FOLS are looking for volunteers to take part in the Three Lake Challenge in the Lake District to help raise funds for school. Do have a look at the FOLS page of this newsletter for more details. It would be great to have a strong team of parents, who will rise to the challenge and more importantly enjoy it!

Mrs Cole



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- Draws are every Saturday at 8pm and results are posted online.

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www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play

And Search For:

Lewknor C of E Primary School

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older.







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—new or changed diary dates are highlighted in green.

2019-2020

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings - Daily Mile

TBC November Year 5 visit to ICC

11th November Remembrance Day assembly at 10.50am (all welcome)

14th November Transformation Evening (5.00-6.30pm)

come and see what your child has been learning at school

15th November Children in Need (children to come to school dressed in spots)

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 LJ 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

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

1st June Return to school

6th June Sydenham Fayre

8th-12th June Year 1 National Phonics Screening

19th June Fathers' Day Assembly

20th June FoLS Fun Day

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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2019-2020

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings - Daily Mile

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







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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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.





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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 mcarpenterhanson@gmail·com
or see me in the playground·

Deadline for signing up is 29th November

All monies raised will go to FoLS LET'S DO THIS!!



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DIARY DATES

22nd November Film Night

6th December Christmas disco

13th February Community Concert

7th May May Day 20th June Fun Day

19th December



THANK YOU

Christmas lunch

to

Livvy

for very kindly selling your apple juice to raise £102 for Fol S!



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 22nd 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.

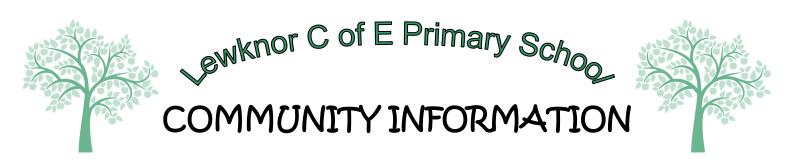
On the day, please arrive to collect your child/children promptly. We will release children to their parents/adults in the playground. Please indicate on the form below if another adult will be collecting your child/children on your behalf.

Many thanks.

Friends of Lewknor School

FOLS FILM & TEA NIGHT FRIDAY 22ND NOVMEBER 2019

Number of tickets required:	
Names of children:	
Film choice (please tick):	102 Dalmations
	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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