



# Lewknor C of E Primary School Newsletter



Monday 7th February, 2022

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Don't shout it out loud but could school be getting back to normal?

We are planning a number of events over the next few weeks such as:

Upper Juniors Evacuee Day—the children will be performing wartime songs in the playground for their parents at the end of the school day on Wednesday 16th February.

World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March. This year's theme is the beautiful book *The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse* by Charlie Mackesy.

Parents' evenings on Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th March.

Red Nose Day on Friday 18th March. School will be taking part in Radio Oxford's attempt to break the World Record for the largest ever game of musical bumps.

Mother's Day Assembly on Friday 25th March.

And...May Day celebrations on Friday 29th May.

More details of each event will follow in due course.

## Headteacher's Welcome

### READY, STEADY, GO...INFANTS GET PRACTISING FOR THE RETURN OF WHOLE SCHOOL RUN-A-MILE



And talking of getting back to normal...we are planning to start running a mile again every week after the February half-term holiday. The children in the Infants' class (pictured above) have already been practising running a mile twice a week round the playground so they should be super fit.

All the children (and teachers / teaching assistants) take part though the children in the Reception class will join the older children after Easter.

The children run up to the village hall and do several circuits of the field before running back to school. The children start off with warm-up exercises in the playground and after the mile run they gather again in the playground for some gentle cool-down stretches.

We always encourage the children to take things at a pace they are comfortable with and some may prefer to jog gently or walk for parts, but by the end of several weeks all children will have noticed an improvement in their fitness levels.

### STOKE MANDEVILLE HOSPITAL SAYS BIG THANK YOU TO UPPER JUNIORS

The children in Miss Baker's class were delighted to receive a thank you letter from the nursing team at Stoke Mandeville Hospital. The Upper Juniors had sent Christmas cards to thank NHS staff for all their hard work during the Covid pandemic. Well done to everyone!

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## BOOK FAIR RAISES RECORD £870



*Left: Thea and Heidi help Amy, Henry and Violet to choose some books*

A HUGE thank you to everyone who supported our book fair which raised a whopping £870—a record for our school. Travelling Books visit school every year (though they have not been able to do so these past two years because of Covid) and they always say they are amazed that our small school manages to raise so much money! I say it's because our children love to read. The children get a chance to look at what is on offer the day before the fair is launched and then they are keen to be first in the queue to buy whatever they have set their heart on. On the first day alone we raised more than £500! Our school also benefits because each teacher was able to pick over £100 worth of books for their class, which is just fantastic!

*Right: Heidi, Freddie and Thea with some of the books on offer*





## BASIA'S NEXT BRILLIANT BRAINWAVE—NOVEL NOUGHTS AND CROSSES



*Above: Amy and Violet play noughts and crosses*

Basia, our brilliant After-School Care Club leader, had a brainwave when she spotted some logs that had been left lying around by the tree cutters who had been in the village felling branches that were growing too close to the electricity lines.

She got the children to ride their bikes over to the logs and then placed them onto the trailers of the bikes for the children to take their loads back to the Reception playground. Some of the logs made very nice seats, and some made very nice tables.

The children then gathered up some pebbles from the school's back garden and painted them as ladybirds and bumble bees.

Basia drew a noughts and crosses grid on the table log and taught the children how to play the game. Genius!



*Above: Noughts and crosses game*

*Right: Amelie and Amy*



## RECEPTION CHILDREN SHINE A LIGHT ON CHINESE NEW YEAR

The children in Miss Harjette's class have been learning all about the Chinese New Year and the Year of the Tiger.

They have made and played Chinese drums, they have made Chinese puppets to retell a story, and they have learned about Chinese food.

On Friday the children made Chinese lanterns that they painted red because this colour represents good fortune.

And people born in the Year of the Tiger are predicted to be brave, competitive, unpredictable, and confident.



*Above: Archie, Henry, Amy and Clark make Chinese lanterns*



## THE HEADTEACHER AWARD GOES TO....DEVON!



Devon more than deserves a Headteacher award for her amazing writing which she completed while she was recuperating from Covid at home. Devon, who is pictured above with artwork that was featured in last week's newsletter, wanted to write a short story with some amazing description.

I want to share it with you because I think some of our children would love to have it read to them as a bedtime story. I certainly think it should be published!

The green, sparkly pink-breasted dragon named Green Flame flew out of his dazzling, beautiful cave. Green Flame flew through the air gracefully like a feather hunting for his food for his grumbly tummy.

Green Flame flew for half a day to get to the crystal blue river. Green Flame waited for three long hours straight for a group of fish to come swimming by. He entered the glistening river, his scaly skin touching the cold freezing water with his mouth wide open ready to gobble up shiny silverfish. He managed to catch the group of fish.

As his tummy started to fill up, he felt alive. As it was getting darker and his tummy was full, he decided to fly towards the sunset on his way home. It was so bright his eyes started to water.

Eventually he arrived at his cave. He landed softly and quietly on his bed. With his tummy feeling complete, his eyes feeling heavy he slipped into hibernation for the cold, dark winter.

The End

By Devon King.

# Lewknor C of E Primary School

## Lewknor Church of England Primary School

is seeking a

### Clerk to the Governors

Permanent part-time role

120 hours per annum

**Grade 5 – Salary range £19,312 - £20,092 pro-rata  
(£10.01 - £10.41 per hour)**



We are looking for a well organised and efficient Clerk to the Governors to support the Governors in directing the school. In this role you will provide essential support by preparing agendas and collating papers for all meetings as well as taking notes and preparing minutes for approval. You will also be responsible for all administrative support and provide important legal advice on structure and the procedures that Governing Bodies must adhere to in accordance with the Governor's Handbook issued by the Department for Education.

The Full Governing Body meetings are normally held on Monday evenings and committee meetings are normally held during the working day on Mondays and Thursdays. Attendance is required at all these meetings. Work outside these meetings is undertaken at home and so you must have access to a PC or laptop to enable you to fulfil this role.

For more information, please view the job description and person specification on the school's website. Ideally, we would like you to apply online by emailing the application form to [office.3184@lewknor.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.3184@lewknor.oxon.sch.uk) but if you would like a paper application form then please contact the school office on 01844 351542. Please feel free to request a visit to the school if you would like to see around before applying by calling the office on the number above.

**Closing date for applications is Monday 14th February 2022**

**Interviews will be held on Friday 18th February 2022**

**PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL WEBSITE (VACANCIES TAB) FOR DETAILS OF JOB DESCRIPTION,  
PERSON SPECIFICATION AND APPLICATION FORM**





Every week in our school newsletter, we will include a prayer and a Bible reading. These are taken from our new Jigsaw scheme of work for PSHE (Personal, Social, Health Education) and RE (Religious Education) and are shared with the children in class and at whole school assemblies.

## PRAYER OF THE WEEK

### Dreams And Goals: Help Others To Achieve Their Goals

Dear God

This week we ask that you give us the inspiration to see where we can support others to achieve their goals. Help us to recognise when others need help and offer it willingly. Amen



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## WORD OF THE WEEK

### Meadow

Noun

A meadow is a field of grass and wild flowers.

## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Galatians 6: 2 and 9-10

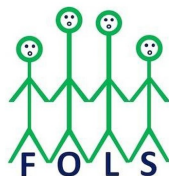
Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfil the law of Christ.

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

Therefore as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people.

Mrs Cole

# Lewknor C of E Primary School



## Friends Of Lewknor School

### Who are we?

A 'Friend' can be anyone with an interest in helping raise funds for Lewknor C of E Primary School. Currently we are a group of parents who give their time to arrange a variety of events with the aim of raising money to enrich the educational life for our children at school. For example; Bags2School clothes donation, Bingo nights, Quiz nights, mufti days, a Christmas Disco, an annual Summer Fun Day, the Spring Music Festival, after school Cinema evenings, cake sales, ice cream Fridays and many more including new ideas from you!

### What is the fundraising for?

All money raised is used to enrich the educational life for the children at Lewknor C of E Primary School. In previous years we have donated amounts between £3000 and £7000 to the school. This money is used to pay for a variety of licenses for computer programmes used in class each week, class trips, the whole school trip to a Pantomime and recently one of the new touch screen white boards.

### How can you help?

There are so many ways that you can help fundraise for our school;  
Join the school lottery- [www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play](http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play),  
shop through the easfundrasing app which gives donations back to the school from the companies you buy from,  
help prepare for an event, run a stall, bake a cake, donate a raffle prize, support events by attending, spread the word to advertise events,  
organise and run your own event in aid of the school and many other ways!  
All of these are very much needed to continue the excellent record of fundraising we have.

### What next?

Well, now you ask..... we are hoping to involve many more families from school in the fundraising and events. We are hoping to increase the committee membership, especially to parents of children lower down the school.

Owing to the pandemic we haven't been able to meet and get to know you as we would like to. Come to the AGM to meet us and hear more.

Please look out for the notice of the AGM coming soon or email  
[friendsoflewnorschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsoflewnorschool@gmail.com)  
for more information



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Registered Charity No: 1045910



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feel good shopping

We understand that this is a very difficult time for many, but we want to take this opportunity to remind you about Easyfundraising.

You can use Easyfundraising to raise money for Friends of Lewknor School, without spending a penny! It's simple to set up an account and when you shop through the website or app, you earn valuable money for us, at no cost to yourself.

If you haven't already registered, please take a look on the following page to see how shopping with the companies registered with Easyfundraising can boost our fundraising pot!

#### CARD READER NEWS!

We are very excited to tell you that FoLS now have a card reader! Over the coming months we will be able to use this at many events, which we hope will make it easier for parents and the committee.



#### BANK DETAILS

We are keen to support the school as much as we can financially, although this year our fundraising will be lower than usual due to the current situation. This may mean that we will be unable to fund all the trips and licenses we usually do. We appreciate that many families are struggling financially, but for those who would like to support us by donating money that they would usually have been spent at our fundraising events, and are in a position to do so, we are providing our bank details.



Wishing every child and family at Lewknor School well.

**Friends of Lewknor School Committee**





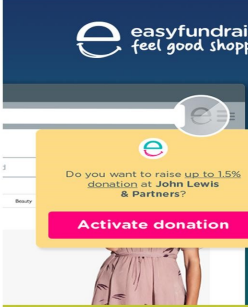
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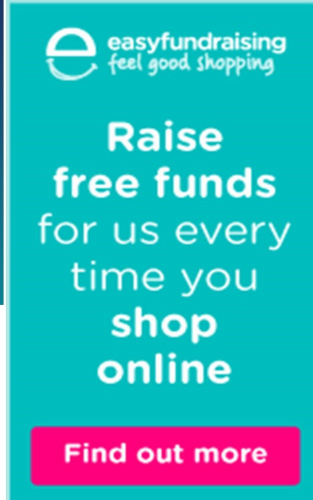




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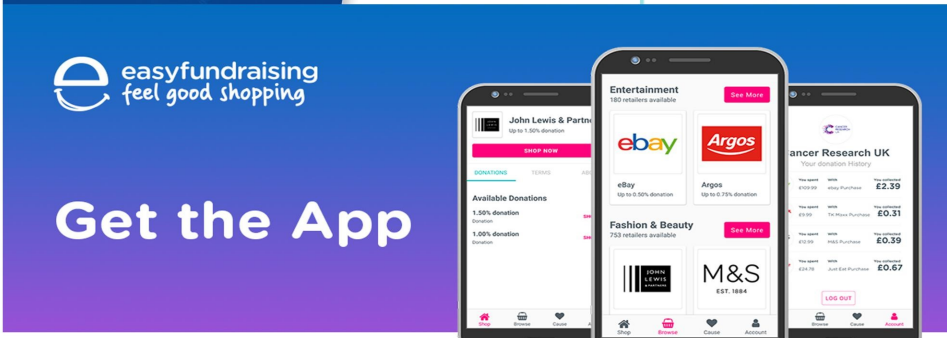


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