



Lewknor C of E Primary School

Newsletter



Monday 15th October, 2018

CELEBRATION

ASSEMBLY FOR PAUL

Everyone is welcome to attend a special assembly in the church to say goodbye to Paul and the Weston boys on Tuesday 30th October, starting at 2.45pm.

As many of you will already know, Paul and his family have moved to Somerset. Paul has been travelling back to Lewknor every week to continue working at school but the time has come for Paul to stay with his family in Somerset during the week and not just the weekends.

The Westons have long dreamed of living the good life in an even more rural setting than Lewknor. And now that 'the girls' are a permanent addition to the family, they have found the ideal home (it's massive!) for their large brood.

Paul says the move is almost perfect—the only thing missing is Lewknor Primary! He wishes he could take the whole school with him.

Paul has been a super TA and caretaker. He is a true gent and an absolute hero—let's give him a good send-off!



Headteacher's Welcome

UPSTAIRS DOWNSTAIRS LIFE AT HAMPTON COURT



The Upper Juniors class visited Hampton Court as part of their topic on The Tudors, *writes Miss Lawes*.

As we arrived, we had lots of compliments on our outfits - the children and their families had made a super effort at dressing as a Tudor person. Additionally, most of our lunches were as authentic as possible with children bringing chicken drumsticks and slabs of bread. Everyone at Hampton Court were very impressed.

First, we met Mistress Anne Harris, who was the King's Laundress. She explained the difference between the Upstairs Servants and the Downstairs Servants. She was really quite an important servant, as King Henry VIII trusted her to wash his clothes! She was also quite well paid, receiving about £10 each year for her work.



Mistress Harris told us about the different jobs that servants carried out at Hampton Court, and she showed us how to bow properly to any courtiers we might come across.

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It was a super day and, from the work the children are producing in class, it has made a terrific impact on their understanding of some aspects of Tudor life.

Left: Honor looks like a Tudor princess

Below left: more princesses, Meira, Chloe and Jess

Below right: the Upper Juniors take a break by the pond



Left: Tara's beautiful and very intricate Tudor hairstyle

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The Upper Juniors in their Tudor finery



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Left: Ivy, Grace, Jess and Chloe having fun





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Macmillan Fundraiser is a Piece of Cake!



The school's Macmillan coffee morning in aid of cancer support raised an amazing £200.

Pictured left are some of the Year 6 children —Cameron, Bea, Elektra and Thomas — selling the left-over cakes at the end of the school day.

Many thanks to all of you who donated a mini mountain of cakes and also to those who attended the coffee morning and bought cakes.

Thanks also to Mrs Wakefield who organised the event.

FORMER LEWK NOR PRIMARY TEACHER VISITS SCHOOL AND WHAT A TALE SHE HAD TO TELL...

Helen Dorritt, who worked as a teacher at Lewknor Primary School in the late Seventies and early Eighties, recently returned to reminisce about the 'old days'. She said how in 1979 the number of children attending Lewknor dropped to 58 and the local authority said that the school no longer needed three teachers, only two (and a half!). Helen, who was to be redeployed at another school, was to be replaced by a part-time teacher.

The headteacher at the time, Mervyn Benford, feared that the standard of education at Lewknor would fall drastically and that the school's future would be placed in jeopardy. He appealed to the local community and asked for funding so that Helen could remain at the school. The story, which made the local news, was picked up by Living magazine and together with funding from villagers and All Souls College, Oxford, they were able to raise the £5,000 needed to save Helen's job.

Helen, pictured above right, was delighted when she heard that Living magazine had contributed £3,500 to the school and the story of Lewknor featured in several issues making Helen, Mervyn and, no doubt, the children minor celebrities!

We gave Helen a tour of the school and she was very surprised to hear that the school now, with 86 children, had a staff of 13! Helen also enjoyed our Harvest Festival and Macmillan coffee morning.





SPORTS SUPERSTAR SAFFY!



Saffy took part in her first biathlon recently and came away with a silver medal.

Saffy had to run 400 metres and swim 25 metres in this tough competition. Her mum Tracey says our school's early morning run-a-mile sessions stood Saffy in good stead.

Saffy repeated her success at the weekend when she finished fourth out of a field of 18 in the Abingdon Vale biathlon. As she has in excess of 2000 points it is likely that she will now qualify for the British National Championships and the School's National Championships. Good luck Saffy!



FREE SPORT TASTER SESSIONS



We currently have space in two of our after school sports clubs—judo and football.

If you think your child might be interested, why not encourage him or her to have a free trial session. Football is after school on Tuesdays and judo is after school on Wednesdays—both clubs run until 4.30pm. To arrange a free trial session, contact Vicky in the office.



Mrs Cole



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 crudité's 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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School Uniform

SCHOOL UNIFORM SUPPLIER - TRUTEX SCHOOLWEAR & MORE

We now have a new uniform supplier, Trutex Schoolwear & More based in Didcot.

To order online, please visit www.myschoolwear.co.uk and search for Lewknor Primary School where you can view uniform items (clothing and bags) and delivery details. Please note that the hooded top available on the website should only be used for PE lessons.

Please be aware that initial orders will take 10-14 days to arrive whilst new stock is ordered in for embroidering.

The quality of uniform provided by our new supplier is much improved and should look better, wash better and last longer.

If you have any questions regarding the supply of uniform, please contact Trutex Schoolwear & More direct (see contact details below).

Trutex Schoolwear & More have a shop in Didcot where you can visit to try uniform on for size and order should you wish.

During the first few weeks (October/November 2018), it would be advisable to contact the shop direct before travelling over to Didcot to ensure they have clothing in stock to try on. Once orders are placed, the uniform is embroidered with the school logo.

Opening Hours

Monday - Friday: 9.00am-5.00pm Monday to Friday

Saturday - 9.00am-4.00pm Saturday

Sundays and Bank Holidays - Closed

Contact details

E-mail: enquiries@myschoolwear.co.uk

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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.

2018-2019

16th October	LJ swimming lesson
18th October	FoLS AGM at 7.30pm, Lewknor Primary School
19th October	FoLS after school film night
19th October	Big Me Day
19th October	Break up for half-term at 3.15pm
29th October	Return to school
31st October	UJ trip to Rutherford Appleton Laboratory
1st November	Stay and play session for Reception class parents, 9-10pm
2nd November	School Open Day
2nd November	Flu vaccinations (Reception and years 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5)
7th November	Cycling Proficiency Test (selected year 5 and 6 children)
8th November	Transformation Evening (5.30-7.00pm)
9th November	Remembrance Day Assembly at 11.00am
11th November	Young Puzzlers (Children's Church) 10am at St Margaret's Church, Lewknor
13th November	Bag2School collection
14th November	Parent evening (3.30-4.30pm)
15th November	Parent evening (5.00-7.00pm)
16th November	Children in Need
29th November	Visiting Pantomime
30th November	Christingle service
30th November	Year 5 visit to ICC
TBC December	Science Club Assembly
7th December	Choir to visit Chiltern Grange
9th December	Young Puzzlers (Children's Church) 10am at St Margaret's Church, Lewknor
14th December	FoLS whole school Christmas lunch
14th December	FoLS Christmas disco



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Diary Dates



2018-2019 continued...



14th December	Choir to visit Hempton Field
19th December	Nativity dress rehearsal at 1.30pm (reception and infant classes)
20th December	Nativity at 6.00pm (reception and infant classes)
21st December	Non-uniform day in aid of FoLS (£1 donation per child)
21st December	End of term - school finishes at 1.30pm
TBC January	Whole school trip to the Primary Schools Concert at the Sheldonian Theatre
7th January	Return to school
5th February	Travelling Book Fayre (one week)
13th January	Young Puzzlers (Children's Church) 10am at St Margaret's Church, Lewknor
18th January	NCMP weights and measures (reception and year 6)
7th February	FoLS Community Concert fundraiser, St Margaret's Church at 6.30pm
10th February	Young Puzzlers (Children's Church) 10am at St Margaret's Church, Lewknor
15th February	Break up for half-term at 3.15pm
25th February	Return to school
5th March	School vision tests (Reception)
10th March	Young Puzzlers (Children's Church) 10am at St Margaret's Church, Lewknor
28th March	Year 6 trip to Junior Citizens
28th March	Mother's Day posy making
TBC March	Year 6 induction evening at ICC
29th March	Mother's Day assembly
18th March	Sport Relief Week
20th March	Parent evening (3.30-5.00pm)
21st March	Parent evening (5.00-7.00pm)
29th March	Choir to visit Chiltern Grange
TBC March/April	Cycling Proficiency training and test for Year 5
4th April	Choir visit to Hempton Court
5th April	Non-uniform day in aid of FoLS (£1 donation per child)
5th April	Easter egg hunt
5th April	End of term - school finishes at 1.30pm
14th April	Young Puzzlers (Children's Church) 10am at St Margaret's Church, Lewknor
23rd April	Return to school
26th April	School open day
29th April	Bag2School Collection
29th April	Croft Farm meeting for UJ class parents (3.30-4.00pm)
TBC April	LJ swimming lessons (weekly on a Tuesday)
1st May	May Day celebrations at 1.30pm
1st - 24th May	End of KS1 (Year 2) SATS
13th - 17th May	End of KS2 (Year 6) SATS week

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12th May	Young Puzzlers (Children's Church) 10am at St Margaret's Church, Lewknor
24th May	Break up for half term—school finishes at 1.30pm
TBC June	Year 6 trip to IMPS
TBC June	Puberty talks for years 5 and 6
1st June	Sydenham Fayre
3rd June	Return to school
3rd-7th June	UJ residential trip to Croft Farm
7th June	Class and whole school photographs
9th June	Young Puzzlers (Children's Church) 10am at St Margaret's Church, Lewknor
10th-14th June	Year 1 national phonics screening
12th June	ICC buddying session for Year 6 children moving up to ICC
14th June	Father's Day assembly
19th June	ICC budding session for Year 6 children moving up to ICC
22nd June	FoLS Fun Day
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 outing (details TBC in due course)
28th June	Sports Day
TBC July	IMPS fundraiser run by Year 6 children
1st July	New reception children induction (9.15am-11.45am)
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	Dress rehearsal for KS2 production (1.30pm)
11th July	KS2 production in the church (6.00pm)
12th July	Reserve sports day
14th July	Young Puzzlers (Children's Church) 10am at St Margaret's Church, Lewknor
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



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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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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,

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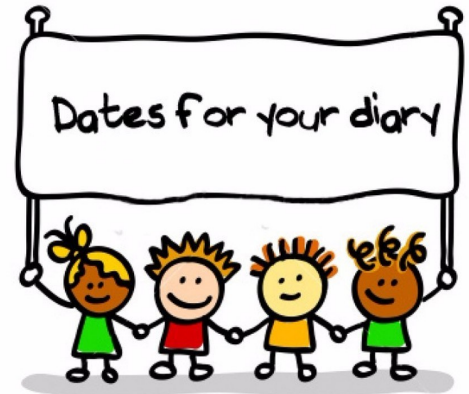
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DIARY DATES

12th October 2018	FoLS Coffee Morning for parents/guardians at the Thame Lambert Hotel
18th October 2018	FoLS AGM, 7.30pm at Lewknor Primary School
19th October 2018	FoLS after school film night
13th November 2018	Bag2School collection
14th December 2018	Whole school Christmas lunch provided by FoLS
14th December 2018	FoLS Christmas disco
21st December 2018	Non-uniform day in aid of FoLS (£1 voluntary donation per child)
7th February 2019	FoLS community concert (6.30pm)
5th April 2019	Non-uniform day in aid of FoLS (£1 voluntary donation per child)
29th April 2019	Bag2School collection
1st June 2019	Sydenham Fayre (FoLS run a stall)
22nd June 2019	FoLS fun day (12-4pm)
28th June 2019	Sports day supported by FoLS who provide refreshments
19th July 2019	Non-uniform day in aid of FoLS (£1 voluntary donation per child)



The 100 Club is an easy way for you to support the school (tickets are £1 each per month - so £12 for the year). We still have some numbers left so if you haven't already bought your tickets then there is still time! The more numbers you have, the more chances of winning. If you would like to buy more numbers or you have yet to buy some, please download a form from the school website.

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www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsoflewnorschoolfols

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

A Halloween-themed poster illustration. The background is a dark orange and brown gradient. In the center is a large, bright yellow full moon. Silhouettes of gnarled trees with bare branches frame the moon. Several black bat silhouettes are flying around the moon. In the foreground, there are dark silhouettes of a witch's head and shoulders, a jack-o'-lantern with a carved face, and a tombstone with a cross. The text 'HALLOWEEN PARTY' is written in large, white, serif capital letters across the middle. Below this, the date and time 'SUNDAY 28TH OCTOBER 3-5PM AT JUBILEE HALL, LEWK NOR' are written in white, serif capital letters. Further down, the ticket prices '£5 per child / £12 Family Ticket (includes one hot dog per child)' are listed. Below that, the activities 'FANCY DRESS (NO MASKS) & PUMPKIN COMPETITION ACTIVITIES & SPOOKY DISCO' and the welcome message 'CHILDREN UNDER 7 & OLDER SIBLINGS WELCOME.' are written. At the bottom, the ticket availability information 'Tickets available in advance from Jeanette at Krakatoa 07919 081 088 or on the door.' is provided. The bottom line reads 'ON BEHALF OF KRAKATOA PRE-SCHOOL - REGISTERED CHARITY: 1022381.' and the Krakatoa Pre-School logo is in the bottom right corner.

HALLOWEEN PARTY

SUNDAY 28TH OCTOBER
3-5PM AT JUBILEE HALL, LEWK NOR

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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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