

Newsletter



Monday 25th January, 2021

Dear Parents. This is indeed a challenaina time. I want to thank you for all the home learning support you are giving your children. We really understand and appreciate how difficult it is to juggle jobs and children. I am sure you appreciate the efforts of the teaching staff in providing both in school and at home support. They have had to adapt to a whole new approach to teaching and I have been so impressed with their commitment and professionalism. You may think it strange given that there are few children at school, but the teachers are working flat out planning and delivering lessons, making resources, answering the children's (and parents') queries, checking on the children's welfare through weekly phone calls (checking that some children are actually doing the work!), supporting children through interventions, offering support to parents, and undergoing almost daily training these past two weeks to learn how to navigate Microsoft Teams.

The staff enjoy connecting

with the children but would

much prefer it if the children

I hope very much that we will

were back at school (as I

know you would too).

all be able to return to normal and see the children

possible. Thank you. With much love from,

Debbie Cole

back at school as soon as

Headteacher's Welcome THE WRITE STUFF!



Taylor, pictured left, received a Headteacher's Award last week for all the amazing writing he has done over the last couple of weeks. I think it is fair to say that Taylor has been a reluctant writer in the past, much preferring maths, science and computing at school. But now he has realised he's a pretty good writer too, and I was bowled over when he handed me a story he had taken the time to write at home. You may have heard of Area 51? Well, Taylor's stories are all about his discovery of Area 60 and it's not a place you would want to visit in a hurry. I love your stories Taylor which you write with humour and great description. Superstar!

See the next page of this newsletter to read Noah's version of the story about The Lost Hedgehog - another excellent piece of writing. Well done, Noah!

WINTER WONDERLAND SNOWMAN PICTURES

Pictured right are Iris,
Cally and Sonny with
their snowmen
pictures which they
made last term. The
children in the reception
class are learning all
about winter as part of
their topic work. All the
children's work make a
delightful display in the
classroom.



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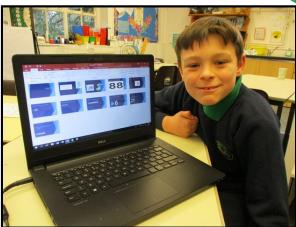
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School







The above pictures show Stanley and Taylor making a PowerPoint presentation in a geography lesson. The children in Lower Juniors are learning about the counties in the UK. They have to pick their favourite county and research some interesting facts, which they will then present to their teacher. I am interested to learn which counties all the children in the class will end up choosing.

The Lost Hedgehog by NOAH

Once there was a hedgehog who lived in leaves. The hedgehog was very alone, he had a family with brothers and sisters but he did not know where they were. He lost his family because it was winter and the fresh wind swept him away. One day he went to get food for winter. He had a basket made of sticks and despite having some food, he needed more. An owl was nearby and it charged at the floor but landed like a feather. "What are you doing round here little hedgehog?" she said. "I'm getting food for winter" he said. The hedgehog looked up and saw a glorious apple tree.



"Um excuse me? Can you help me get those red, juicy apples please?" said the hedgehog to the owl.

"Sure" said the owl. Between them, the owl guided the hedgehog to climb up the tree. Between them, they collected 10 apples but when it got the last apple, the tree branch snapped because it couldn't hold their weight, and the hedgehog fell out of the tree. "Aaaaahhhh!!!!!!" screamed the hedgehog.

A badger and a mouse saw the hedgehog fall and ran to save it. They just managed to catch him as he almost fell to the hard ground. "Thank you for saving my life!" said the hedgehog. "Aren't you the hedgehog who lives down the lane?" said the mouse. "Yes!" replied the hedgehog. "I am lost," he said sadly. "Don't worry, we know your parents, we can help you! "OK where are they then and where are my siblings?"

The four new friends were walking back towards hedgehog's house, when they saw 2 orange, pointy ears, and a black, shiny nose peeping out of a dark, mysterious cave. The mouse stood on the badgers back to take a better look and said "It's him!"

Hedgehog turned around and saw a big, cunning fox "Hello, where are you going?" said the fox. "We are off to take hedgehog back to his parents, come along!" said the mouse.

As they almost reached the hedgehog's home, they came across 12 white, cute, cuddly rabbits, all jumping and having fun in the green meadow. "We wish we had parents to go home to," they said. "Come along!" said the hedgehog.

Hedgehog felt so happy and excited when he finally reached home, he ran to the door and his mummy opened the door and gave him a big bear hug. All his new friends became family as his daddy said "why don't you all live with us here together and we can be one big happy family?" They all ran through the door and started clapping and cheering and they always had plenty of food each winter.

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PLEA FOR PICS

Please do send in some photos of your children working at home. It would be lovely to see some of their project work.

I am now out of photos for our newsletter and I really don't want to have to fill the newsletter pages of pics of Rocco (despite what some of the staff might think). However, I couldn't resist this one which was taken a few days ago in Mrs Lomas's class.

Rocco must indeed be wondering where all the children have gone. I'm sure Mrs Lomas gave our school cat some care and comfort to make up for the lack of fussing he normally gets from the children!

Anyway, please send the photos to Gemma at office.3184@lewknor.oxon.sch.uk

I am look forward to seeing them.



WORD OF THE WEEK

Emulate

Verb

If you emulate someone, you try to be just like them because you think they are great.

Mrs Cole



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

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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.



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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.

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