



Lewknor C of E Primary School Newsletter



Monday 14th January, 2019

FABRIC NEEDED FOR ANCIENT GREEK PROJECT

This term the children in the Upper Juniors class will be making textile stories of Ancient Greek myths using fabric, braid, embroidery etc. There will be lots of sticking, painting and sewing.

The children need:

- large pieces of pale fabric (white or cream), approximately 1m square for a background
- plain or patterned fabric scraps
- braid or embroidery threads

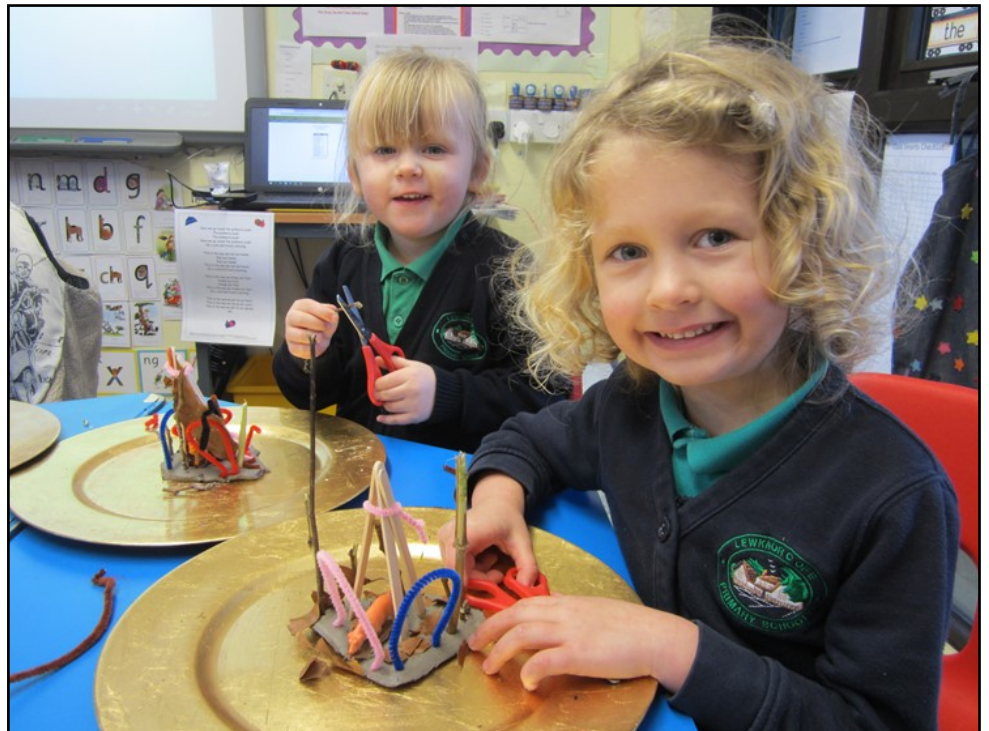
Any donation will be very welcome.

Miss Lawes says that anyone who would like to come and help on Wednesday or Thursday afternoons would be most welcome.



Headteacher's Welcome

RECEPTION CLASS MAKE CLAY WINTER DENS



Children in the Reception class have been reading *The Bear's Winter House* by John Yeoman. It's about a bear that invites lots of animals to stay in his cosy house during the cold winter. The children loved the story and Miss Harjette thought it would be a good idea for them to make their own animal winter house.



Home sweet home: Lilly, Devon and Jasper with their artwork

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Above: Georgie and Aria



Above: A close-up of Aria's house

The children made a base out of clay and attached lollipop sticks with pipe cleaners to make the walls and roof. They then chose a plastic toy animal to put in their house, which was decorated with leaves and twigs.



Above: Charlie

Right: Fred



Above: Lily

Miss Harjette said the art project would help the children develop fine motor skills.



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QUIET READING IN THE INFANTS CLASS



All the children at school spend part of the day quietly reading to themselves while the teacher listens to children read one-to-one.

Our bookworms are: Isaac, Holly and Freddie, Lexi, Annabelle and Izzy, Rowan, Georgina, Charlie and Taylor



SCIENCE SURPRISE! GAS BLOWS UP BALLOONS



Children in the Upper Juniors class finished off their science topic on 'Living things and their habitats' about helpful and harmful microorganisms with a fun scientific experiment.

They wanted to find out if the amount of sugar or the temperature of water affected yeast fermentation. A good fermentation would result in lots of carbon dioxide being released (a by-product of yeast feeding off sugars), which was collected in balloons.



Our super scientists are: Cameron R and Bea, Meira and Cameron M, Jess, Taylor, Tara and Elliott





WHAT'S COOKING AT AFTER SCHOOL CARE CLUB?

Mrs Birch is always thinking of fun things to do at after school care club and I love this photo of Jasmine and Jasper baking chocolate and vanilla cupcakes.



A huge thank you to Mr and Mrs Bonner who donated some rather lovely melamine plates, bowls and cups, which will be used for our breakfast and after school care clubs. Thank you for thinking of us!

HEALTH INFORMATION ON SCHOOL WEBSITE

You might like to know that the Government has produced some advice for schools and parents about treatments for various illnesses and conditions. These guidelines, which includes information on whether children should be at school or not if they have a particular illness / condition, can be found on our website under the Parents and Health tabs.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We have been contacted by our school uniform supplier to ask that we let parents know that if they have any problems with school uniform ordered, to please contact them direct and they will be more than happy to sort out any issues.

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 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>



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

25th January	Whole school trip to the Schools' Concert at the Sheldonian Theatre, Oxford
29th January	Stay and learn session for Reception class parents
5th February	Travelling Book Fayre (one week)
18th January	NCMP weights and measures (reception and year 6)
7th February	FoLS Community Concert fundraiser, St Margaret's Church at 6.30pm
15th February	Break up for half-term at 3.15pm
25th February	Return to school
5th March	School vision tests (Reception)
25th March	Bikeability Training (all year 5 children)
26th March	Bikeability Training (all year 5 children)
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
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
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





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Diary Dates



2019 continued...



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 buddying 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

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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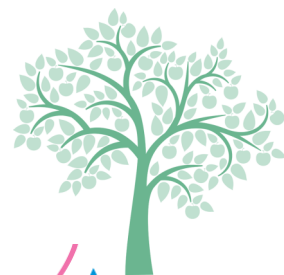
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If you would like help raise additional funds for our school via AmazonSmile, please visit <https://smile.amazon.co.uk> and search for Lewknor School Educational Fund. Thank you!



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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



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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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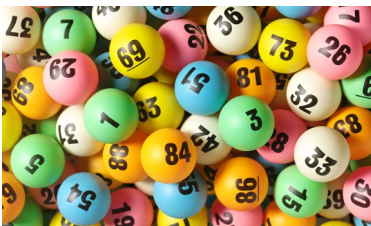
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DIARY DATES

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)



EXCITING NEWS.... FoLS Lottery...

Please watch this space for details of a new lottery which we will be launching very soon!

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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/friendsoflewnorschoolfols



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COMMUNITY INFORMATION



GRAPEVINE MAGAZINE

The most recent publication of The Grapevine (Parish magazine for Lewknor) can be found by clicking on the link below:-

www.issuu.com/grapevinezine/docs



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