

Newsletter



Monday 18th March, 2019

SECOND OPEN DAY FOR ALL NEW PARENTS

We will be holding another open morning from 9-11am on Friday 26th April for any parent who is thinking of sending their child to our school.

The morning will start with our usual celebration assembly in St Margaret's Church followed by a tour of the school and a chance to meet members of staff as well as our super children.



PARENT FEEDBACK

Parent feedback forms will be available at our two parent evenings on Wednesday and Thursday.

We always like to hear from you and would appreciate it if you would spend a few moments writing down your thoughts.

The forms will be available in the school kitchen and can be posted in the parent feedback box, which will also be in the kitchen.

Thank you.

Headteacher's Welcome

RASCALLY ROCCO IS THE CAT'S WHISKERS (again!)



Rascally Rocco, our adopted school cat, wandered into the Reception classroom the other day and joined the children for a phonics lesson.

Here he is pictured sitting on a chair and looking at Miss Harjette's white board as she teaches the children how to write 'r-u-n'. I wondered if the previous word was 'd-o-g!'

Rocco appeared to be very interested in the lesson! He's a real cool cat!

Right: Rocco enjoys a story!

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PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS CELEBRATE WORLD BOOK DAY WITH THE CHILDREN



Above: Thomas's mum Libby reads to some children in the Upper Juniors class

This year instead of asking the children to dress up as their favourite book character (much to the relief of some parents!) we decided to invite parents and grandparents into school to read to the children. It was lovely to see so many of you here and the children, who were in small groups in every class, appeared to be engrossed in the stories. It was also great that the adults had spent time choosing a storybook from home that they felt the children might like to hear. We must do it again...soon!



Noah's and Isaac's mum Vickey reads to children in the Lower Juniors class







Left: Freddie and Charlie's mum Sarah with children in the Infants class



Above: Stanley's granny Sally with children in the Infants class Right: Holly's mum Philippa with children in the Infants class







Right: Noah's and Isaac's dad Tom with some Infants

Mrs Lomas, whose daughter Georgie attends Lewknor Primary, also took a group





Left: Tara's and Livvy's mama Tiggs with children in Lower Juniors

Right: Stanley's and Wilfred's mum Luarena with children in Lower Juniors









Left: Bill's and Jack's dad Richard with children in the Lower Juniors





Above: Emilie's dad Jason with some Reception children



Above left: Tara's and Livvy's mummy Sarah with some children in the Upper Juniors class

Left: Miss Hawkes, whose daughter Lexi attends Lewknor Primary, with Lower Juniors



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Above: Elektra's and Clemmy's mum Lizzie with children in Upper Juniors

Left: Claire, Daisy's mum, with children in Lower Juniors

Recipes

The School Council has come up with a great idea to raise funds for the new lunchtime tables and benches. They are putting together a recipe book, which they hope to sell later this year.

They are asking parents to send in their favourite recipes to be included in the book.

All mouth-watering recipes can be emailed to Vicky at the school office. Or you can send in a written recipe if you prefer. Thank you.

Mrs Cole





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- A GUARANTEED cash prize to someone on our supporter list every week.
- A further chance of winning £25,000 in a separate draw EVERY WEEK!
- Draws are every Saturday at 8pm and results are posted online.

To start supporting, Visit:

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





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

15th March Red Nose Day— children to come to school dressed in red for a suggested donation of £1

15th March Red Nose Day Talent Show at 2.15pm in the church (donations gratefully received) - open to all

18th March Sport Relief Week

20th March Parent evening (3.30-5.00pm)
 21st March Parent evening (5.00-7.00pm)
 22nd March Upper Junior Class Assembly

23rd March FoLS Bingo Night

27th March Reception Class trip to the Earth Trust (letter to parents to follow)

28th March
 28th March
 29th March
 Choir to visit Chiltern Grange

29th March Mother's Day assembly

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

24th April Bikeability Training (all year 5 children) PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE
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26th April School open day

30th 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 Day celebrations at 1.30pm

1st - 24th May End of KS1 (Year 2) SATS

13th - 17th May End of KS2 (Year 6) SATS week

17th May Year 6 trip to IMPS

19th May FoLS Sponsored Walk (details TBC)

24th May Class photographs (brought forward from 7th June)

24th May Break up for half term—school finishes at 3.15pm (previous newsletters stated incorrect time)









2019 continued...

TBC June Puberty talks for years 5 and 6

1st June Sydenham Fayre (FoLS stall & Judo demonstration at 2pm)

3rd June Return to school

3rd-7th June UJ residential trip to Croft Farm

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)

2nd July Whole school trip to Christchurch Cathedral

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

17th July UJ Class Trip to Rutherford Appleton Laboratory

18th July Whole school walk to Chinnor and games

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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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

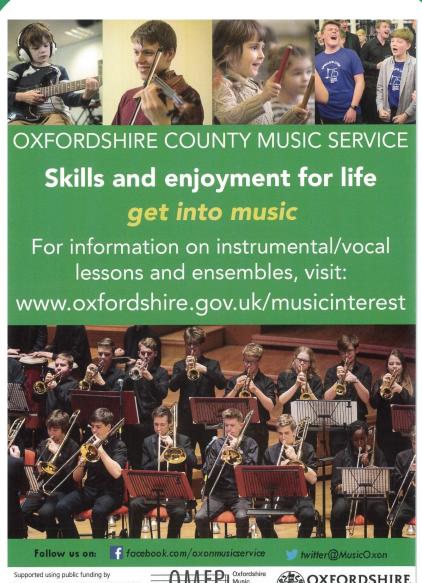




If you would like to sign your child up for drum lessons with Terry Lucas at Lewknor School, please complete a Drum Lesson Interest Form which can be downloaded from the school website (Parents/Music Lessons) and return it to the school office.









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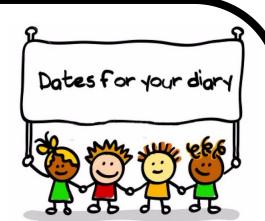
30th April 2019 Bag2School collection

19th May 2019 FoLS Sponsored Walk (details to follow)

1st June 2019 Sydenham Fayre (FoLS run a stall)

22nd June 2019 FoLS fun day (12-4pm)

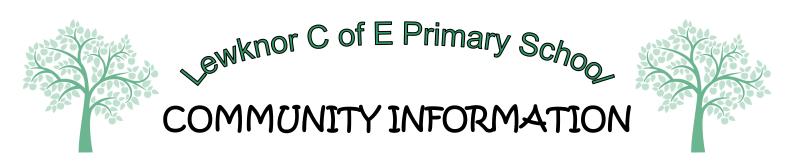
28th June 2019 Sports day supported by FoLS who provide refreshments



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www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsoflewknorschoolfols



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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