



Lewknor C of E Primary School Newsletter



Monday 24th May, 2021



**THE HT AWARD THIS
WEEK GOES TO FOUR
BOYS IN THE UPPER
JUNIORS CLASS...**
see page 7 of this
newsletter to find out
who and why!



**THE CIRCUS IS
COMING TO
LEWKNOR!**

See page 8 of this
newsletter for details of
the FOLS circus
fundraiser in
September.



Headteacher's Welcome

ZOFIA IS QUACKERS ABOUT HER DUCKLINGS



A few weeks ago we brought you the story of how Zofia, pictured left, had rescued two jackdaws from the chimney flue in the Upper Juniors classroom. Well we had more feathered fun at school last week when Zofia brought in three ducklings she is rearing at home.

Animal lover Zofia bought three duck eggs from a local farmer and kept them in an incubator at home. Twenty-six days later the eggs hatched and Zofia had three ducklings which she named Dior (she's a bit of a diva), Tiana and Noodles.

Zofia feeds the ducklings every day—their diet consists of oats, rice, chopped up hard-boiled egg and the odd Weetabix. The ducklings enjoy swimming in a paddling pool Zofia has set up in the kitchen at her home and they sleep under a heat lamp at night.



Lucky ducks! Children in the Upper Junior class form a protective ring so Zofia's ducks can roam (or waddle) freely without running off

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Left: the gentle touch. James carefully strokes Noodles while Zofia, Daisy and Theo look on

Below: Ellena and Wilfred get a close look



Zofia said the three ducks will follow her while she walks round her house. "They think I am their mummy because I was the first thing they saw when they hatched."

Zofia added that the ducklings are too young to go outside. "It's too wet and cold. We even put warm water in their paddling pool," she said.

Alas, Zofia will not be able to keep the ducks for much longer but she has already found a good home for them to go to.

"We go on holiday every year and it would be too difficult to find someone who would be prepared to look after them. But we do know someone who wants to start a bird farm and the ducklings will be going to live with him."



Above: one of the ducklings follows Zofia round the classroom. Miss Lawes, Alex and Theo are also pictured.



Above: Alex strokes Tiana while Daisy and Zofia look on

Left: the Upper Juniors class are intrigued

LEWKNOR'S ANSWER TO CHELSEA FLOWER SHOW



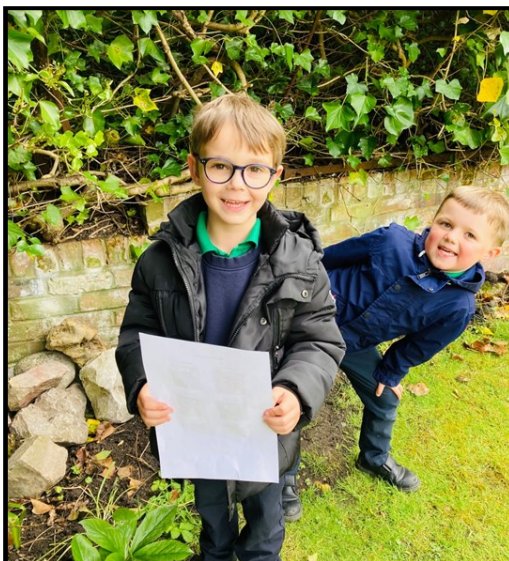
Above: Ready,steady...GO! Felix, Cally, Rory and Raffi race ahead on the nature hunt

Keen gardeners Kevin and Emma Rogers, who moved to Lewknor from Kingston Blount in September, invited our Reception children to come and have a look at their beautiful garden. The couple, who have been landscaping their garden these past few months had organised a fun nature trail for the children, which included locating a hedgehog house, a pigeons' nest, a mouse house, a bird box and a wildlife camera. Each child was given a laminated sheet which had photographs of all the items they had to find.

The children also got the chance to sow their own giant sunflower seeds, which they brought back to school where we will look after them carefully before the children eventually take them home.

Emma said: "I have always enjoyed being part of the community and wanted to offer something to the school. My plan this year is to have a small plant stall at home where people can buy perennial plants, vegetable plants and a few cut flower bunches, all grown and propagated in my garden. The last couple of years I have been involved in the Kingston Blount allotment giant pumpkin competition, propagating 30 seeds and handing them out to the villagers, great fun!"

Our children had a lot of fun visiting the garden (there was lots of laughter and a lot of outdoor learning!). I would like to thank Kevin and Emma for their very kind gesture.



Above: Archie and Ralph (peekaboo!)



Above: Cally, Amelie and Isla P



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Above: planting sunflower seeds. The Reception class with Miss Harjette, student teacher Izzy and Emma

Below: Iris and Jack plant their sunflower seeds



Above: Emma with Ralph, Felix and Raffi



Above: Iris has found the mouse house. Felix looks impressed



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Left: Emma and Kevin smile in the background. The Reception class, with their printed laminated nature trail sheets, are about to set off on the hunt.



Above: Sonny, Rory and Isla P concentrate hard



Above: Job done—Raffi and Archie have planted their seeds



Left: Kevin and Emma, and helpers Izzy and Emma P, with some of the Reception class children



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Above: Isla W, Iris and Amber



Above: Amelie, Archie and Izzy find the bird box



Above: sweet smiles. Cally, Miles and Isla W



Above: on the trail. Izzy helps Amelie, Ralph, Archie, Isla P and Jack



Left: Si-Si and Rory





HEADTEACHER AWARD GOES TO... LAURENCE, WILFRED, JAYDEN AND JAMES



I have been very impressed with the four boys this week during playtimes. The boys, who are in Upper Juniors, started the week by running laps round the playground every break time and lunchtime. Wilfred kept track of how far they had run on his watch. By midweek, they had attracted the attention of the other pupils in the class who cheered on the boys as they ran. By the end of the week, most of the children in the Upper Juniors had joined in running laps round the playground, which was wonderful to see.

The running was not competitive (though some of the children can run fast). There was a lot of laughter and it was just lovely to see the children having so much fun while keeping fit.

The boys deserved the award because they not only initiated the game for the whole class but they inspired others to join in. I think they are amazing role models for the whole school.

BLACKBIRD NEST UPDATE

Here is the mother blackbird sitting on top of her four chicks in the nest at the back of the school. The chicks are growing rapidly and the children have enjoyed watching (from a distance) the father bird feeding his babies.

The children in the Upper Juniors class have named the mother bird Britney (I think they just like the name), and all the children from the Reception class upwards have been very careful and quiet while passing by the nest.

We are keeping a close eye on Rocco at the moment but so far he has not twigged the nest. It won't be long before the baby blackbirds are ready to fledge—there's not much space left in that nest!



HAPPY'S CIRCUS

Even the kids will love it!

A fun packed comedy show for all the family
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Sunday 26th September 2021
Lewknor Village Hall
show times: 3pm & 5pm
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www.pta-events.co.uk/lewknor



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

Relationships (know how to help ourselves and others when we feel upset or hurt)

Thank you, God, for all the people that are special to us in our lives. May we always consider their needs and show them the respect and care necessary to make long-lasting and healthy friendships.

Amen



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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Colossians 3: 12-17

12 Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. 13 Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. 14 And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. 15 Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. 16 Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and help one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. 17 And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

WORD OF THE WEEK

Pithy

adjective

When you say something that's pithy, it's short, to the point and full of meaning.

Mrs Cole



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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.

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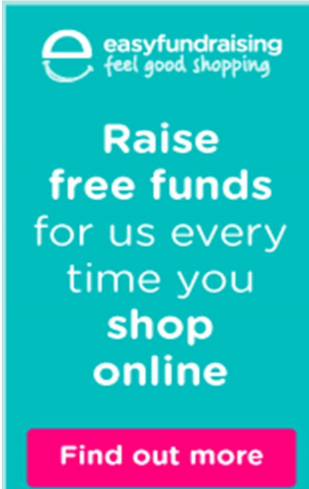
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