



Lewknor C of E Primary School Newsletter



Monday 31st March, 2019

MUFTI DAY AND EASTER EGG HUNT

A reminder that the children can come to school dressed in their own clothes on the last day of term before the Easter holidays (Friday 5th April).

The non-uniform day is a FoLS fundraiser and we are asking the children to donate at least £1 to the charity.

We will also be holding our annual Easter egg hunt that morning.

Don't forget school closes at 1.30pm on Friday 5th April.



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.

Headteacher's Welcome

MOTHER'S DAY MAGIC



Above: Year 6 children with their mums—the last Mother's Day assembly for some!

It was good to see the church packed out for our annual Mothering Sunday celebration. Every year the children present their mothers with a beautiful posy of flowers, which they make the day before at school.

The whole school choir sang with much enthusiasm performing a number of songs during the service. They started off with a rousing performance of Jess Glynne's I'll Be There. Miss Lawes had re-written the lyrics to Frankie Valli's Can't Take My Eyes of You (see page 6 of this newsletter), which was very amusing and the children sang the new version to much laughter. And no Mother's Day service would be complete without a rendition of My Mum's One In A Million.



Left: Magical mums and grandmum! Thanks to Dawn, Claire and Sally, who helped the children make their posies the day before

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Each class had also prepared something special for their mums.

The Reception class had painted portraits of their mums (some are displayed on pages 4 and 5) while each child in the Infant class had a message for their mums saying why they thought they were special. The Lower Juniors had written a class poem for their mums, which included a painted print of each child's footprint (see page 7), while the Upper Juniors had designed and made explosion boxes (!) for their mums. Each carefully crafted box contained a photograph of the child and a meaningful message for their mums.

Left: James with Nicola



Above: Charlie with mum Karen, Marie with mum Cecile and Elliot with Dawn



Left: Bill with Emma

Right: Olivia with mum Sharene





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The Rev Peter Waterson praised the children's singing and said a prayer for all mothers.

One mum said: "That was just lovely. We really are the luckiest mums and we really do appreciate our amazing school."



Above: Isaac with Vickey, Sophia with mum Samantha and Thomas with Libby

Right: Matilda with mum Vicki



Far right: Lilly with mum Katie and baby sister



Far Left: Remi and Liv

Centre: Holly with mum Philippa

Left: Patience with granny Sheila

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Below: Jack with Ella and Jack's baby brother



Below: Rubie with mum Katie and Rubie's baby sister



Above: Devon with mum Lindsay



Above: Rubie's painting



Above: Fred's portrait



Above: Lilly's painting



Above: Jack's painting



Left: The Reception class with their beautiful paintings of their mothers

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Above: Lily's painting



Above: Jack, Devon, Ollie and Fred

Right: Fred, Charlie, Jasper and Tilly



Above: Emilie's portrait



Left: Tilly, Lilly, Lily and Matilda



Left: Georgie, Emilie, Rubie and Aria with their paintings of their mums

You're just too good to be true
Can't take my eyes off you
I want to hug you so much
You're so cuddly to touch
You have my friends round for tea
And make pizza for me
You're just too good to be true
Can't take my eyes off you

Packed me a good healthy lunch
That's delicious to munch
My tears you wipe right away
Always know what to say
Show me the right thing to do
When I don't have a clue
You're just too good to be true
Can't take my eyes off you

Can't Take My Eyes Off You

I love you mummy, you're looking great today
I need you mummy, can I go out to play?
I love you mummy, your taxi-driving's the best,

I love you mummy, you're full of va-va-voom
I need you mummy, to tidy up my room
I love you mummy, mummy, mum I love you

Help me my spellings to learn
When for my X-box I yearn
My times tables you test
Bedtime stories are best

Show me my teeth how to brush
And the toilet to flush
You're just too good to be true
Can't take my eyes off you

I love you mummy, and when I hurt myself
I need you mummy, to nurse me back to health
I love you mummy, you're the best one for me

I love you mummy, you're looking great today
I need you mummy, can I go out to play?
I love you mummy, your taxi-driving's the best

I love you mummy, you're full of va-va-voom
I need you mummy, to tidy up my room
I love you mummy, mummy, mum I love you

I thought all mums would like to read Miss Lawes's version of the Frankie Valli hit — I think it could be a Lewknor's Mother's Day staple!

Right: Lower Juniors read out their class poem for their mums

See next page to read a copy of the poem





Walk With Me, Mama

Walk along side me, Mama
and hold my little hand.
I have so many things to learn
that I don't yet understand.

Teach me things to keep me safe
from the dangers everyday.
Show me how to do my best
at home, at school, at play.

Every child needs a gentle hand
to guide them as they grow.
So walk alongside me, Mama.
We have a long way to go.



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Mother's Day



Above: The Infants sing—don't they look smart?



HOLLIE IS A HERO BUT ROCCO IS IN THE DOG HOUSE

Mum Hollie came to the rescue of this poor, little rabbit (see photo right) when she saw Rocco, the rascally cat, pounce on the little creature in the Infants garden.

Hollie managed to scoop up the rabbit before Rocco had a chance to get his claws in and wrapped it up in an old T-shirt before releasing it safely back into the wild.

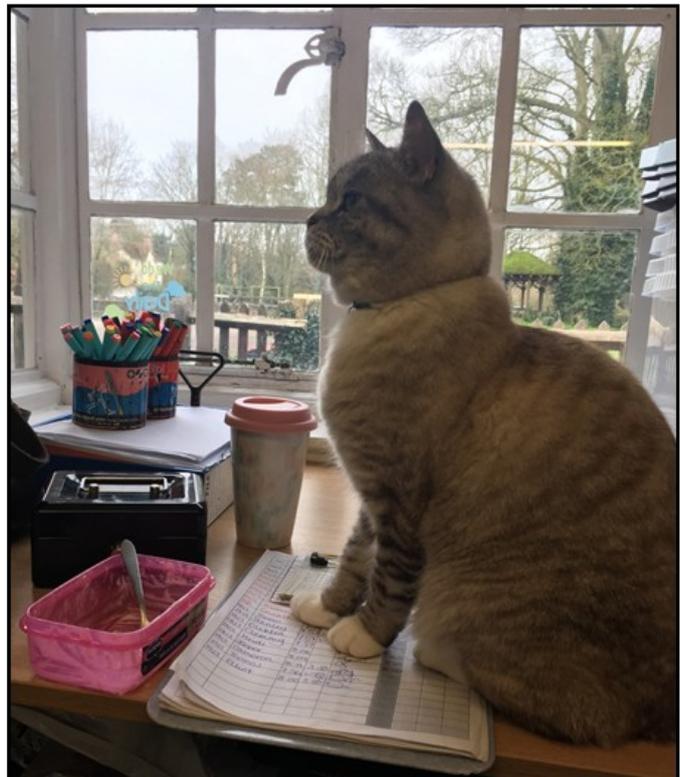
Rocco was also scooped up and sent to the Reflection Room to paws for thought and reflect on his rough playground play.



After some time out, Rocco wandered into the breakfast club room. He spied some yoghurt (which was part of Mrs Birch's breakfast) and lapped that up (see photo right)!

Hopefully, that filled his hunger pangs and that he didn't go looking for any more rabbits!

Mrs Cole



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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

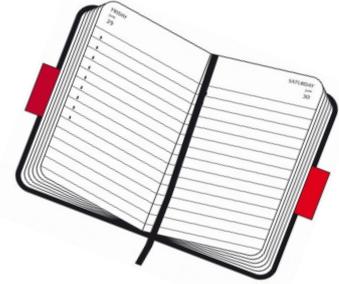
(There's nothing wrong with this, just try to make healthier choices when you can)



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.

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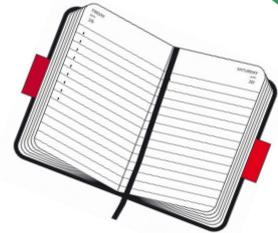
5th April	Non-uniform day in aid of FoLS (£1 donation per child)
5th April	Easter egg hunt
5th April	End of term - school finishes at 1.30pm
23rd April	Return to school
24th April	Bikeability Training (all year 5 children) PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE
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26th 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	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
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
4th June	Government Dental Survey for children aged 5 on the day
10th-14th June	Year 1 national phonics screening

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Diary Dates

2019 continued...



12th June	ICC buddying session for Year 6 children moving up to ICC
13th June	Year 5 & 6 puberty talks
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

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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

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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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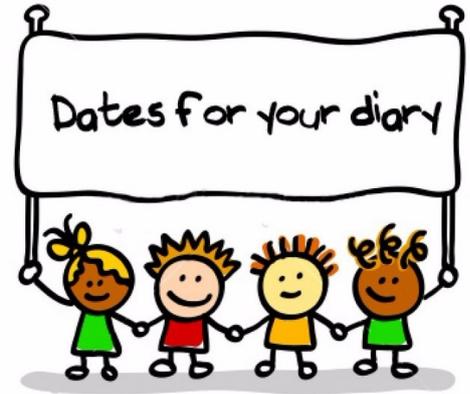


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28th June 2019	Sports day supported by FoLS who provide refreshments
19th July 2019	Non-uniform day in aid of FoLS (£1 voluntary donation per child)



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