

# Newsletter

Monday 11th February, 2019

### BOOK FAYRE BONANZA

Our recent book fayre has raised more than £644 and we still have one night to go! This is a huge amount considering we are only a small school with 87 children. Not only did the children get to buy some really beautiful and interesting books, but school will benefit from a 60% commission. And it looks like our children are serious bookworms, which is the best news of all!

#### **WORLD BOOK DAY**

World Book Day is on Thursday 7th March this year and instead of asking the children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character, the teachers and I thought it would be a lovely idea to invite all parents / grandparents / nannies to school to read a story to their child and perhaps some other children.

We thought it would be a good way to end the school week so parents etc are invited to bring a story book to school on Friday 8th March from 2.45pm. If you are short on books or ideas for a good story, we have plenty at school that you can borrow.

### Headteacher's Welcome

### **COMMUNITY CONCERT SHOWCASES WEALTH OF TALENT**



Surprise act! Dawn shows she is a hit with the sticks. Here she is pictured with Elliot, who is a dab hand himself at drumming.

Fast forward to near the end of the concert and Dawn leapt onto the stage, much to Elliot's surprise, to accompany the choir on drums while they sang Jess Glynn's I'll Be There.

Elliot's face soon turned to joy (see right) when he saw just how well his mum could play.

Dawn had been having secret drumming lessons so she could surprise Elliot on the night. The FoLS Community
Concert was a
showstopper success,
which featured an
impressive display of
talent from the very
young to the not so very
old!

The Lewknor Primary School Choir was sensational (1 was proud all SO children). They the started the concert off with a rousing rendition of We Will Rock You with Lewknor **Flliot** accompanying the choir on drums.



Rock on Elliot and Dawn!

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## School E Primary School





Our school cornet orchestra (see photos above and below) also gave a confident and fun performance of C-Jam Blues, Cobbler Cobbler and Mamma Mia with the whole school choir and audience joining in by singing the Abba song.

The choir also sang the beautiful South African song Azikatale (with wonderful harmonies) and finished the concert with my all-time favourite World In Union.

We had marvellous performances from our very own Miss Lawes performing as Valerie Vale with her partner Mark Wallace on fiddle. Miss Lawes, who plays guitar, sang Are You Lonesome Tonight (not like Presley but American Old Time Music style from the Appalachian Mountains of Virginia and Northern Carolina).





## Wknor C of E Primary School



Below: the school choir.

Right: Mark Wallace and Valerie Vale aka Miss Lawes.







Ralph and Logan (see photo far right) wrote and performed their own pop song called You Are My Girl. I thought they were very brave considering they had no musical accompaniment— it was an excellent acapella performance.

Sisters Tara and Livvy (see photo left) performed a beautiful duet, A Million Dreams, from The Greatest Showman, while Freya (bottom left) performed The Greatest Show from the same musical.







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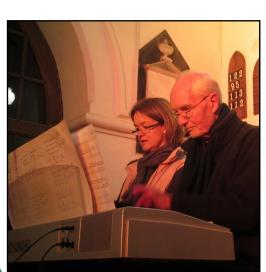


The Ashby (Von Trapp) family were out in force with dad Alan and Meira (below left) performing a medley of Beatles songs including Let It Be and Imagine. They were accompanied by Terry, our music teacher, on drums. Meira then went on to sing This Is Me, also from The Greatest Showman, with her cousin Jaya (below right), who played guitar.





Three generations of one family (with more than 140 years between them) performed Banjo Rag and Little Rhapsody on piano and drums. Fiona, who helped to organise the concert, performed with her father Alastair on the keyboard piano while Jess played a drum. Fiona and Alastair are pictured below.



**Mrs Cole** 





Then Jess joined her older sister Rosie (above right) to give a very amusing recital of Spike Milligan's poem On The Ning Nang Nong.

Also pictured above is Eva who played Give Me Oil In My Lamp on violin.

All the acts received a well-deserved standing ovation at the end of the night. We hope to see you all again this time next year!



## Wknor C of E Primary School



### 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



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### 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 February Break up for half-term at 3.15pm

25th February Return to school

5th March School vision tests (Reception)

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

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

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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 Day celebrations at 1.30pm

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

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

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

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)

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

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.



## Wknor C of E Primary School



#### 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.



### You shop. Amazon gives.

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices and shopping features as Amazon.co.uk

The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, Amazon will donate 0.5% of the net purchase price (excluding VAT, returns and shipping fees) from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to a charity of your choice.

If you would like help raise additional funds for our school via AmazonSmile, please visit <a href="https://smile.amazon.co.uk">https://smile.amazon.co.uk</a> 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

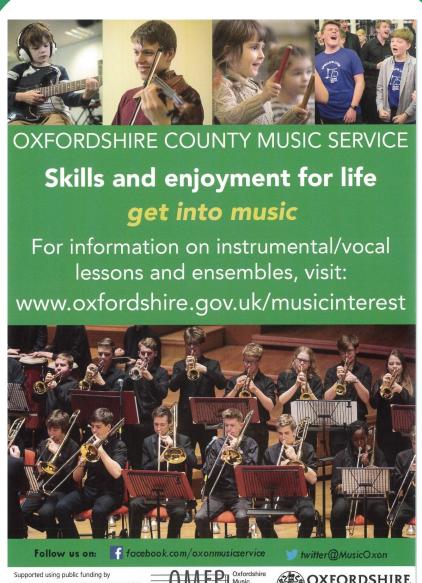




If you would like to sign your child up for drum lessons with Terry Lucas at Lewknor School, please complete a Drum Lesson Interest Form which can be downloaded from the school website (Parents/Music Lessons) and return it to the school office.









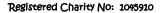
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### Friends of Lewknor School





### **DIARY DATES**

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)





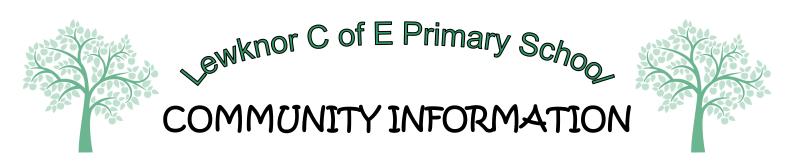
### **EXCITING NEWS.... FoLS Lottery...**

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

### easyfundraising .org.uk

Don't forget that FOLS is registered with Easyfundraising. For more information, please click on this link:-

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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