



# Lewknor C of E Primary School Newsletter



Monday 4th October, 2021

## DIARY DATES

BLACK HISTORY MONTH:  
October

BAGS2SCHOOL: Tuesday 12th  
October—see page 5 of this  
newsletter for more  
information

OPEN DAY (for prospective  
parents and children):  
Thursday 21st October

FLU VACCINATIONS: Friday  
12th November

## HARVEST DONATIONS



**Thank you to everyone who kindly donated food items for our traditional Harvest hampers.**

**The hampers are due to be delivered to the elderly in Lewknor this week.**

**The children are currently preparing beautifully decorated harvest boxes.**

**See next week's newsletter for photos.**



## Headteacher's Welcome

### HAPPY'S CIRCUS KEEPS THE CROWDS SMILING



After two long years of waiting (having been postponed twice owing to the pandemic), Happy's Circus finally rolled up in Lewknor on Sunday 26th September.

Two completely different shows were performed by an excellent team of jugglers, acrobats, trapeze artists, a strongman and a clown.

Lots of ooohs and aaaahs, cheering, clapping and laughter could be heard from the Big Top. The Circus tag line "Even the kids will love it" was accurate as many adults were utterly amused by the antics. It was gratifying to receive such great feedback as happy children left the showground.



Lots of planning and preparation by the FoLS (Friends of Lewknor School) Team went into trying to make this Big Top event a magical fun day for all.

You probably noticed some of us dressed in circus costumes making fools of ourselves outside school in an effort to sell enough tickets.

FoLS always organises a huge fun day for all every year to help fundraise for the school. And on this actual day the FoLS team were busy right from early morning setting up a barbecue, a bar, face-painting and a few stalls to keep the circus-goers busy while waiting for the Big Top to open.



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And to top it off FoLS managed to raise some funds! A HUGE thanks to those that bought tickets, came along and supported the event, to those that donated food and drink, and time and effort - we salute you!

Overall FoLS raised around £700! This will help us support the school as we do each year with extra computer licenses, school trips, investment in equipment and a pantomime (pandemic allowing).

Please continue to help our school and FoLS with your support. We absolutely welcome anyone wishing to join the committee and help fundraise more this coming year. Our AGM is coming up and we could love to see you/hear from you/have your help. Thank you.

**Words by Luarena Durston, Treasurer of FoLS**

**See more information about our wonderful FoLS team on page 8 of this newsletter**



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A HUGE thank you to all at FOLS for organising a super circus fundraiser.

No-one could have predicted just how unsettled life was to become when you booked the circus. Many people are still wary of meeting up in enclosed and public spaces so you have done a magnificent job selling so many tickets. It really is remarkable given that we are such a small school too!

Thank you also for remaining so cheerful and positive throughout. School would certainly not be the same without you.

**Mrs Cole**



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## 007 AGENTS OF CHANGE!

This year we are running a number of projects across school to encourage the children to think about the wider world.

We want to give our children opportunities to take action for the common good, to teach them that they can change the world and make it a better place.

All classes will learn how to tackle racism, climate change and poverty for example.

In this Harvest period the teachers will be talking about food banks – how they work and why people need them. Many supermarkets operate food bank collection boxes and we will be suggesting the children might want to make a donation while out shopping with their parents. Please would parents take a photo of their child with the donation they plan to make at a food bank collection point (or take a photo at the



actual collection point) and send it to Gemma at the school office. I am hoping to include these photos in our school newsletter over the next few weeks. Cally (above) and Patience (left) are first to be featured making their food donations while out shopping. Well done, children.

We hope our food bank donation project will help highlight our children's awareness of the need to support and be kind to the vulnerable.

Thank you.

Lewknor Church of England Primary School will be joining ranks with our local diocese to take part in the Be The Change campaign. This helps our children to be agents of change in responding to the climate and environmental emergency. The Upper Juniors class has adopted a panda and we will feature more news on this in the weeks to come.

# BE THE CHANGE

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## BAG 2 SCHOOL FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS

In partnership with your school or organisation

Lewknor C E Primary School



Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.



PLEASE USE YOUR OWN BAGS, OR BAG 2 SCHOOL BAGS  
(THERE IS NO LIMIT)

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

***We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:***

**Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.**

**(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)**

***The more we weigh the more we pay!  
Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit***

**Collection Point:  
Lewknor Village  
Hall**

***Please return your Bag2School on:***

**Tuesday 12 October 2021 BY 8:45AM**

 01609 780 222

 [www.bag2school.com](http://www.bag2school.com)

 [helpdesk@bag2school.com](mailto:helpdesk@bag2school.com)



# OPEN MORNING

## Thursday 21st October 2021

### 9.00-11.00am

(for in-year transfers and Reception 2022 starters)

We invite you to come and have a look around our wonderful school. Our head teacher Mrs Cole will be available to accompany you on your visit.

“Leaders and governors have high expectations for pupils at Lewknor. They are passionate about what they do and want the very best for every pupil.” (Ofsted, 2020)

“Pupils thrive at this school. They love learning and are curious and confident learners.” (Ofsted, 2020)

- ◆ Rated **OUTSTANDING** by Oxford Diocesan Board of Education
- ◆ Rated **GOOD** by OFSTED
- ◆ **Daily Breakfast Club** from 8.00am
- ◆ **After-School Activity Club** daily until 5.30pm
- ◆ **Childcare Vouchers** accepted
- ◆ **Nurturing and caring** environment
- ◆ **Outstanding SATs, Early Years and Phonics Results** (well above national and local averages)
- ◆ Tours of the school also available on other dates at a mutually convenient time.

Please e-mail [office.3184@lewknor.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.3184@lewknor.oxon.sch.uk) or call 01844 351542 to book a place at our Open Morning or arrange an alternative time to visit our school

We look forward to welcoming you!

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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

### Being Me In My World - Work Well With Others

Dear God

Thank you for making each of us different and giving each of us unique gifts. Thank you that when we work together we can make a team and achieve great things. Please help us to be thankful for the role we have and the role others play. Amen



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## WORD OF THE WEEK

**Devour**

Verb

To eat up greedily.

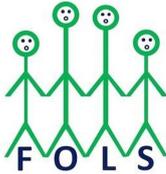
## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Romans 12: 4-8

For just as each of us has one body with many parts, and these parts do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

Mrs Cole

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## Friends Of Lewknor School

### Who are we?

A 'Friend' can be anyone with an interest in helping raise funds for Lewknor C of E Primary School. Currently we are a group of parents who give their time to arrange a variety of events with the aim of raising money to enrich the educational life for our children at school. For example; Bags2School clothes donation, Bingo nights, Quiz nights, mufti days, a Christmas Disco, an annual Summer Fun Day, the Spring Music Festival, after school Cinema evenings, cake sales, ice cream Fridays and many more including new ideas from you!

### What is the fundraising for?

All money raised is used to enrich the educational life for the children at Lewknor C of E Primary School. In previous years we have donated amounts between £3000 and £7000 to the school. This money is used to pay for a variety of licenses for computer programmes used in class each week, class trips, the whole school trip to a Pantomime and recently one of the new touch screen white boards.

### How can you help?

There are so many ways that you can help fundraise for our school;  
Join the school lottery- [www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play](http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play),  
shop through the easfundrasing app which gives donations back to the school from the companies you buy from,  
help prepare for an event, run a stall, bake a cake, donate a raffle prize, support events by attending, spread the word to advertise events,  
organise and run your own event in aid of the school and many other ways!  
All of these are very much needed to continue the excellent record of fundraising we have.

### What next?

Well, now you ask..... we are hoping to involve many more families from school in the fundraising and events. We are hoping to increase the committee membership, especially to parents of children lower down the school.

Owing to the pandemic we haven't been able to meet and get to know you as we would like to. Come to the AGM to meet us and hear more.

Please look out for the notice of the AGM coming soon or email [friendsoflewnorschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsoflewnorschool@gmail.com) for more information