Vewknor C of E Primary Schoo Newsletter

Monday 17th June, 2019

PRODUCTION PLEA

Miss Lawes has asked me to put a plea out to parents for a number of items for the school's summer production.

This year the children will be performing Rock Bottom, which is set in the Stone Age, on Thursday 11th July.

We need the following (some of the requests may seem a bit strange):

Large cardboard for scenery and props

Fake fur (largish pieces that can be made into a costume). Tiger costume / onesie (to fit a child).

Larger dinosaur costume or onesie.

Bird puppets.

Old lady wrinkly mask - needs to have the mouth free for the voice to come across. Toilet seat.

Three pink handbags. Wild wigs.

Please see page 5 of this newsletter for more items.



Headteacher's Welcome

RESIDENTIAL TRIP—CAPERS AT CROFT FARM



Upper Juniors had a fun-packed and very busy week when they visited Croft Farm Water Park, near Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire. Activities included climbing and abseiling, canoeing and kayaking, raft-building on the lake, buggy-building (on land), stand-up paddle boarding, zorbing, fencing, archery, mini-Olympics, and a whole host of outdoor team games and challenges, such as run-around quiz, in the early evening.

Instructors Dave and Gary are pictured above with some of the Lewknor Primary children by Team Challenge Lake. The team challenge involved all the children doing various tasks on the water such as pedalo racing. The hardest task for many was getting their whole team to stand-up and balance for as long as possible on a paddle board.

Around the campfire at night, the children enjoyed hot chocolate and toasted marshmallows. They learned some songs, took part in a mini-talent show, and told stories.

The children slept four to a dormitory and had to keep their rooms tidy because there were daily inspections. Meira, Marie, Erin and Jess won the prize for tidiest dorm—well done girls!

The team of leaders at Croft Farm said the children at Lewknor Primary were the best they have ever had—well done everyone!

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Zorbing fun

Left: Grace and Mylah

Below: Tara and Grace get a fit of the giggles









Above: Grace in action (left) and Cameron R (right)



Left: Lucan launches himself off the pedalo. A smiling Ralph is already in the water and Ivy waves to the camera in the background





Above: Miss Lawes gets stuck in with Meira, Bea and Honor

Above right: smiles from Tara, Cameron R and Honor

Right: mini-Olympics javelin throwing





Team Challenge on the lake trying to balance on the paddle board



I would like to thank all the staff, who accompanied the children on the trip. Mrs Lomas and Mrs Wakefield travelled down for the day on Tuesday and Wednesday respectively, while Mrs Ashby volunteered on Thursday, her day off!

I would like to thank Miss Lawes and Mrs Birch in particular. You are never off duty (day and night) when you look after children on a residential trip, and you gave up your time willingly, time that would have otherwise been spent with your own families. You did this because you wanted to give our pupils the time of their lives.

I am sure the children and their parents appreciate all that you do. The children will always remember this fantastic experience. It could never have happened without you.

Thank you, all.

Production Plea Continued

Miss Lawes has also asked for: cheap oversized T-shirts. They should come down towards the children's knees. The children will be painting them, so they will not be returnable.

- x 2 blue
- x 3 pink
- x 9 green x 3 purple
- x 5 purp x 5 red
- x 5 red
- x 3 yellow



RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES

PJ DAY RAISES FUNDS FOR FAMILIES WITH POORLY CHILDREN

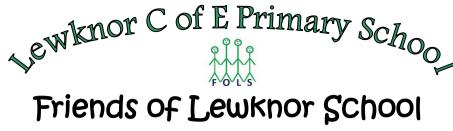
Children came to school on Friday dressed in their pyjamas. The Pyjama Day, which included a cake sale at the end of the school day, raised a whopping £220 for the Ronald McDonald House Charities.

This charity, which asked schools across the country to support their PJ day, helps families while their child receives care and treatment in a specialist children's hospital. They provide families with warm and welcoming rooms to stay in so that they can remain close to their child in hospital.

There are currently 11 Ronald McDonald Houses across the UK and the dedicated teams of staff who work there welcome families to stay for days, weeks and even years.

Next week's newsletter will feature some photos of children dressed in their PJs at our special Father's Day assembly, which was also held on Friday.

Mrs Cole



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Buy Your Tickets Today To Help Our School

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- Lewknor C of E Primary School has launched a lottery
- Tickets cost just £1 per ticket, per week and 40% of all ticket sales are donated to our school.
- 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)

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

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)
28th June	Sports Day
1st July	IMPS fundraiser run by Year 6 children (obstacle course and cake sale)
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 (CANCELLED)
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

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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.





Skills and enjoyment for life get into music

For information on instrumental/vocal lessons and ensembles, visit: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/musicinterest



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DIARY DATES

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)

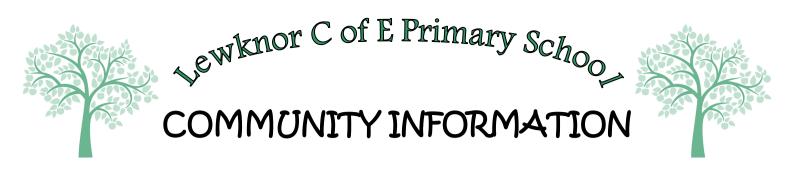
TBC September 2019 FoLS Sponsored Walk (details to follow)



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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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