



# Lewknor C of E Primary School Newsletter



Monday 11th July, 2022

## EVENTS

Friday celebration assembly  
at 9.10am.

Inflatable Footy (Wednesday  
lunchtime) until 13th July.

Summer Production,  
Wednesday 13th July from  
1.30pm and Thursday 14th  
July from 6.30pm.

**Sports Day, at 09:00am, Fri-  
day 15th July.**

Leavers' assembly, Tuesday  
19th July.

**Party in the Park, Tuesday  
July 19th, from 1.30pm. See  
page 5 of this newsletter.**

## INFLATABLE FOOTY SUMMER SCHOOL

Tuesday 30th August to  
Thursday 1st September, at  
the recreation ground by the  
Lewknor village hall, from  
9am to 3pm.

Cost: £15 per day.

Register at

[www.enrolmy.com/footy-kids](http://www.enrolmy.com/footy-kids)



## Headteacher's Welcome

### YEAR 6 SUPERSTARS CELEBRATE SATs SUCCESS



Congratulations to all our Year 6 pupils  
who did us proud with their amazing  
SATs results.

The children had to take tests in  
reading comprehension, maths, and  
spelling, punctuation and  
grammar. Many of the children scored  
extremely high marks and are  
considered to be working at greater  
depth.

Our school results have been  
consistently high over the years and well  
above national averages.

One chuffed mum, whose child has  
dyslexia, said: "This shows that  
children with special educational needs  
can do it."

And why not!

*Sweet success: Noah, Jayden, Laurence, Bill, Tristan and Livvy (left to right back row).*

*Wilfred, Lily, Sophie and Ellena (left to right front row).*

*Riley and Jasmine are missing.*



*Jumping for joy*

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## AND AWAY....! FAREWELL TO OUR LOVELY LADIES

We will be sad to see Miss Harjette, our wonderful Early Years teacher, and Mrs Hemmings, our super teaching assistant and caretaker, leave at the end of this term.

Miss Harjette, pictured right, is moving on to become a Deputy Headteacher at St George's Church of England School, Amersham. She joined Lewknor in October 2017, having come from Dorney School in Bucks where she led the Early Years department.

I cannot speak highly enough of Miss Harjette. She is an outstanding teacher. She is passionate about and incredibly knowledgeable of the Early Years curriculum. When Ofsted came calling I knew we were in good hands when they talked to Miss Harjette about our EY provision. She has a firm sense of justice when it comes to educating the youngest children as well as those with special educational needs.

I have certainly appreciated and will always remember Victoria's unwavering loyalty and support. She has been a rock during some rare tricky times (I will always think of you, Victoria, when I watch Mortimer and Whitehouse Gone Fishing— 'and away' became our secret code and kept us smiling).

Miss Harjette has a lovely sense of humour. In fact, she's just lovely all round. It has been an absolute blast, Victoria. We have had so many laughs. I hope you will treasure fond memories of your time here. I know we will always treasure you.



Nikki came on board in September 2016. We had never had a caretaker working on site before (not in my time anyway). Now, I don't know how on earth we will manage without Mrs Hemmings!

She can fix / mend anything and everything. She has looked after many aspects of health and safety, she has painted probably every single wall in the old school house as well as outside doors and window frames. It would take a very long time to list all the jobs that Nikki actually does (her job description is the longest I have ever seen).

I suspect, though, that she will not miss some of them such as checking out the roof space for unwanted wildlife, the daily sweeping up of the yew berries during autumn / winter, and blocked toilets and drains.

One thing though she will miss is the children and they adore her too. They will seek her out for a chat or to share a problem. She also organised the lunchtime football club and made a great referee. The staff also trust Nikki and confide in her. I would often ask her opinion on all sorts of matters because her advice is always fair and measured.

Before Nikki came to us she had many different careers including modelling, acting and TV presenting. It was never something she really talked about but occasionally she would tell a story from those days. They were always hugely entertaining and often hilarious.

Now that Mrs Hemmings' two children have grown up, she feels she no longer has to work school hours. So she is setting up her own painter/decorator business and I am sure she will make a great success of it. I don't think this will be the last we see of Nikki. I am sure I will be calling her (hopefully not too soon) to ask if she can sort out some problem!



## SPACE SCIENCE IS OUT OF THIS WORLD



***Above: Miles, Laura and Isla get some idea of how hard it is to walk on the moon. The children did learn about gravity but wearing moon boots and walking around on stilts is pretty hard too!***



***Above: Jazz hands? No, space suit hands. Sonny solves a problem and builds a model but he learns it is not so easy when you have to wear space suit gloves just like real astronauts***

The children have been having a great time learning at our after-school Bright Sparks Science Club. So far they have learned about energy, space and friction.

Last week they made toy cars out of recycled materials. A balloon was attached to the car. If you inflate a balloon it stores potential energy. When you release the balloon this energy is converted to kinetic energy, the energy of motion. The balloons had a straw attached and when the air escapes from the balloon it propels the car. Some of the cars zipped around at great speed!



We plan to continue to run the science club in September.

Rattle and Roll, our drama club, will also be running after-school in the autumn term.

***Left: problem-solving spacemen Cally and Jasper find model-making fiddly when wearing thick plastic gloves***



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: show respect in how they treat others**

Dear Lord

Thank you for the gifts which we receive when we are open to change.  
Help us to welcome change as an opportunity to further grow into the person we are meant to be.

Amen



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## WORD OF THE WEEK

### Capacity

Noun

The capacity of something is the largest amount it can hold, produce or carry.  
For example, the capacity of this jug is one litre.

## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

James 1:17

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

Mrs Cole

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## WHOLE SCHOOL PARTY IN THE PARK

**PARTY IN THE PARK!**

**YOU ARE INVITED!!**

**PLEASE JOIN LIVVY'S FAMILY  
IN CELEBRATING LEWKNOR SCHOOL**

**JULY 19<sup>TH</sup> AT LEWKNOR HALL &  
PLAYING FIELD**

**FROM 1:30 TIL EARLY EVENING**

**JUST BRING:**

**YOURSELVES WITH BIG  
SMILES & PLENTY OF  
BOUNCE & MAYBE A  
BLANKET**

**RSVP TO: TIGGS  
mcarpenterhanson@gmail.com**

Two Lewknor Primary parents—Sarah and Tiggs— are throwing a party for the whole school on the last day of term. Sarah and Tiggs, whose daughter Livvy is in the Year 6 class and who will be leaving Lewknor this year, just want to bring everyone together for a fun day out.

Tiggs said: "We hope that you will all come along with your families and join us in celebrating a very special place (Lewknor Primary) that Sarah and I are immensely grateful for."

Sarah and Tiggs feel that the past two years have been pretty bleak for our school family given the disruption caused by Covid-19. They also want to extend their party invitation to the Year 6 pupils and their families of the past two years. All the staff at Lewknor Primary have been invited too.

They are planning to have a barbecue, a bar, music and fun activities for the children. The party will take place on Tuesday 19th July in the field by the village hall from 1.30pm to 6pm.

Tiggs said: "Lewknor has been a great part of our life. Some people take schools for granted. We want to show that we value our school by throwing a party to say thank you. All people need to bring is their happy selves and maybe a picnic blanket."

Sarah and Tiggs will obviously need to know numbers so if you would like to attend the party please contact Tiggs at [mcarpenterhanson@gmail.com](mailto:mcarpenterhanson@gmail.com)

And if you have any questions about the day, then Sarah and Tiggs can be contacted via email.