



Lewknor C of E Primary School

Newsletter

Monday 23rd April, 2018



IMPORTANT DATES

Lower Juniors are off to Kingswood from Wednesday to Friday.

May Day celebrations on Tuesday 1st May from 1.30pm.

Lower Juniors class assembly on Friday 11th May.

Year One Multi Sports Skills competition at Ewelme Primary School on Wednesday 23rd May.

Year 6 Quad Kids competition at Chalgrove Primary on Friday 25th May.

FoLS Cinema Night, Friday 25th May.

Sydenham Fayre, Saturday 2nd June.

Year 6 buddying at ICC Wednesday 13th, 20th and 27th June.

Father's Day Assembly, Friday 15th June.



Headteacher's Welcome

ELDERLY SAY OUR SCHOOL CHOIR IS A HUGE HIT



Our school choir was invited back to two homes for the elderly - Chiltern Grange Care Home in Stokenchurch, and Hempton Field Care Home in Chinnor - to sing and share a number of jokes and stories with the delighted residents.

The children sang their hearts out performing Rod Stewart's song I am Sailing, Meghan Trainor's hit Mom, Consider Yourself (from the musical Oliver!), Ain't No Mountain High Enough and everyone's favourite, World in Union.



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Left: Ain't No Mountain High Enough— children perform the song with hand actions.

Below: Scarlet, Sophie, Eva and Livvy sing I've Got a Baby Bumble Bee

They mingled and chatted with the residents and the staff, who commented very favourably on the children's beautiful and enthusiastic singing, as well as their politeness.

Simone Forbes, Leisure and Wellness Co-ordinator at Chiltern Grange, said: "Our residents really love the children at Lewknor School. It really perks them up when we tell them you are coming."

Fred Fordham, 93, who has six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren said: "The singing is wonderful, just wonderful. When are you coming back?"



Rob Langley, 77, (pictured left with Isaac and Laurence) who has four grandchildren aged two, four, 11 and 15, said: "This takes me back to my own school days. My music teacher was a real stickler for getting things right. I'm very impressed with the children. They are able to maintain their tune. It was a delightful performance and I enjoyed it immensely."

And Violet Saw, 94, said: "I think the children and the singing are marvellous. I could listen to them all day."

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Children share jokes and stories with the elderly.



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Below: The choir tuck into a special treat following their performance



FIT AND FABULOUS!

Sports Relief Week was such a success that we are going to continue running a mile before lessons begin at school. We will start off three times a week on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and, if we can make it work (depending on the school timetable) we might even try running every morning. The bell will ring as normal at 8.50am and the children will go straight to class to change into their trainers before setting off. They are back at school, ready to work in the classrooms, by 9.05am. The children are accompanied each day by at least three adults.

The NHS recommends that children aged five to 18 should do 60 minutes of physical activity every day, which should range from moderate activity, such as cycling and playground activities, to vigorous activity, such as running and tennis.



Above: children line-up in the playground ready to go on their morning mile-long run

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Below: teacher Mrs Wakefield takes the lead with a group of children. Children run through the village and up to the field by the village hall for two laps round the pitch.





JUDO STARS PASS WITH FLYING COLOURS

Congratulations to the following children who have moved up a band in judo: Theo, Riley, Caleb-Bay and Laurence have now passed grade 1 (red band) of the club's theory requirements; Charlie, Freddie, Freya and Saffy have now passed grade 2 (yellow band); Callum, Kiran, Jess, James have passed grade 3 (orange band). Some of the children are pictured above.

Our judo club runs after school every Wednesday and new members are always welcome.

SUN HATS AND SUN CREAM REMINDER

A gentle reminder that children should come to school with a sun hat and sun cream applied at home. If the weather is very hot / sunny then the children may have to stay in the shade if they have not had sun cream applied at home.

Thank you.

WELL DONE TO....

Our wonderful pianists, who performed brilliantly at our Friday celebration assembly. Thomas played Lavender's Blue, Stanley played Run Mouse Run, James performed Soccer Is My Favourite (even though he says soccer is not his favourite!) and Scarlet performed Playing C Chords. Music teacher Mike Edwards said he was very pleased with the children's progress.

Mrs Cole



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A list of diary dates for this academic year can also be found on the calendar when logging on to the Lewknor Primary School eSchools platform. **New diary dates** are shown below in green:-

25th-27th April	LJ Residential trip to Kingswood
26th April	Reception class vision screening
1st-25th May	KS1 SATs (Year 2)
1st May	May Day Celebrations - 1.30pm
2nd May	Cycling Proficiency (year 5) session 5
3rd May	Cycling Proficiency (year 5) session 6
9th May	Cycling Proficiency (year 5) session 7
7th May	Public holiday
10th May	Cycling Proficiency Test (year 5)
11th May	Lower Junior Class assembly
13th May	Young Puzzlers (The treasure in the field—Jesus teaches about God)
14th-18th May	KS2 SATs week
23rd May	Multi-skills at Ewelme (selected children in year 1)
25th May	Quad Kids at Chalgrove (selected children in years 5 & 6)
25th May	School finishes for half-term at 3.15pm
25th May	FoLS Film Night for children
4th June	Return to school
7th June	School Nurse Puberty Session for Years 5 and 6 with the School Nurse
10th June	Young Puzzlers (The Prodigal Son—Jesus teaches about God)
11th-15th June	Year 1 phonics screening check week
13th June	Kwik Cricket at Watlington (selected pupils in years 5 & 6)
15th June	Father's Day assembly
20th June	Rounders at Ewelme (year 6)
22nd June	Ultimate Frisbee (selected pupils in years 5 & 6)
23rd June	FoLS Fun day (musicals and rock stars theme), 12-4pm
27th June	IMPs Visit (year 6)
29th June	Sports Day
6th July	Reception Class assembly
8th July	Young Puzzlers (The Good Samaritan—Jesus teaches about God)
12th July	KS2 Summer Production
13th July	Reserve Sports Day
20th July	Leavers' assembly
20th July	End of Summer term (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

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:



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Have Fun
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If you would like to sign your child up for drum lessons with Terry Lucas at Lewknor School,



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DIARY DATES

10th March Family Bingo Night, Jubilee Hall, Lewknor

23rd June: Family Fun Day, Jubilee Hall, Lewknor



The 100 Club is an easy way for you to support the school (tickets are £1 each per month - so £12 for the year). We still have some numbers left so if you haven't already bought your tickets then there is still time! The more numbers you have, the more chances of winning. If you would like to buy more numbers or you have yet to buy some, please download a form from the school website.

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION



GRAPEVINE MAGAZINE

The most recent publication of The Grapevine (Parish magazine for Lewknor) can be found by clicking on the link below:-

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GIRLS FOOTBALL TRAINING IN CHINNOR

Chinnor Youth Football Club are looking for more girls ages 7-12 years to join their girls football training on a Wednesday evening from 6.15-7.15pm at Whites Field in Chinnor. A few girls from Lewknor School already attend and would welcome some new faces so they can get a team together and start playing games. There's no need to book, just turn up on a Wednesday evening with football boots or trainers, shin pads, a drink and a waterproof coat if it's raining.



Chinnor Youth Football Club

GIRLS FOOTBALL TRAINING

(7-12 years)

Wednesdays
6.15-7.15pm

Whites Field, Mill Lane

Don't be shy!
Come along to have fun, exercise, meet new friends and learn new skills!