

LODDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,



House Gems

Congratulations to the following children who have been nominated to receive a Values 'House Gem'.

Zain	Firebirds	Earth	Quality
Layla	Bennu	Water	Quality
Isaac	Turtles	Air	Confidence
Kasey	Phoenix	Air	Confidence and determination
Layth	Octopuses	Fire	Independence and perseverance
Zayan	Stingrays	Water	Independence and resilience
Lewis	Octopuses	Air	Quality



Secondary School application deadline 31st October 2021

We would like to remind any Year 6 families who are yet to submit a starting secondary school application that the deadline is the 31st October 2021.

To see information and to find out how to apply, please follow this

link <https://www.wokingham.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/starting-secondary-school-age-11/>

SENCO Assistant

I am pleased to welcome Mrs Hannah Freeman who has joined me as my SEND admin assistant. Hannah will be working on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning from 9-12 and can be contacted via senadmin@loddon.wokingham.sch.uk. Mrs Gemma Didcock



Lunchtime Drop-in Homework Club

To make it easier for children to remember when it begins, the lunchtime homework club has new times for some year groups after half term.

Monday 12:15 - 12:40 Year 2

Tuesday 12:15 - 12:40 Year 4

Wednesday 12:15 - 12:40 Year 3

Mrs Walker, Homework Club

Reading Recommendation for all years

Please see the reading recommendations for October which appear at the end of this newsletter. You will find suggested books suitable for children in Reception through to Year 6 which your children may like to read.

Earley Town Council Art competition

Looking for a half term project? Earley Town council have launched an Art competition, to coincide with the COP26 conference. It is open to adults and children and the deadline is **Friday 29th October**. The theme is "environment" and full details can be found on the Earley Town Council Website. <https://www.earley-tc.gov.uk/2021/10/13/art-competition/> I'd love to know if you enter. There will be a discussion thread on the Art section of the learning platform so you can share your art with everyone, if you'd like to.

[Art Competition – Earley Town Council](https://www.earley-tc.gov.uk/2021/10/13/art-competition/)

Earley is a town and civil parish in the English county of Berkshire. The Office for National Statistics places Earley within the Reading/Wokingham Urban Area

www.earley-tc.gov.uk

Eco competition

The University of Reading are getting their bee meadow ready for Spring, and they need our help! They are running a competition to design a fantastic bee hotel, and you can find out how to enter here: <http://www.cms.rdg.ac.uk/education/ioe-design-a-bee-hotel.aspx>

I know there are lots of bee champions at Loddon, so why not have a go at this over the half term break? Details are also on the Eco News page of *It's Learning* on the school website.

Good luck! Mrs Ridell

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

From Wednesday 3rd November, children will be able to buy a Poppy or relate merchandise from members of the School Council during break time. All proceeds will be donated to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

Additional Testing Provision During Half Term

In response to issues raised with accessing PCR test sites, Wokingham Council have arranged for two Mobile Testing Units (MTU's) to come into the borough for the half term period to assist with access to testing. Tests should be booked in the usual way, via the Government website, selecting either Wokingham venue: A) Shute End or B) Thames Valley Park. It will be possible to access testing



with an appointment as a walk-in or drive-through. Please continue to encourage close contacts or anyone with symptoms to access PCR testing. <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing/get-tested-for-coronavirus/>

Half term activities at St Nicolas Centre

Monday 25th October 2pm-4pm Coffee, Craft & Chat at the St Nicolas Centre, Sutcliffe Avenue RG6 7JN - Families welcome, a chance to chat, socialise and join in craft activities (crafts suitable for 3-10 years). Everyone welcome.

Tea and Tinies Happy Hour every Monday 2.30pm-3.30pm at the St Nicolas Cafe and Lounge, Sutcliffe Avenue RG6 7JN - Come and have a cuppa, stay and play, a safe space to meet other Mums/Dads/Carers and socialise.

Have a Happy Half term everyone and we look forward to seeing you in school again on Tuesday 2nd November.




Yours sincerely

Mrs S Phillips - Headteacher

Diary Events List: Autumn 2021

Date	Time	Event
25-29-Oct-21	All week	Half term
1-Nov-21	All day	INSET day. School closed to pupils for staff training
2-Nov-21	All day	Autumn term resumes for pupils
3-Nov-21	All day	Flu immunisation for children in Reception to Y6
3-Nov-21	9.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning in the Hut. All welcome. 9.30 Mrs Robinson, E-Safety.
10-Nov-21	All day	Children's Indian Drumming Workshop in classes, sponsored by Loddon PTA
10-Nov-21	9.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning in the Hut. All welcome. 9.15 Jackie Woods (Senior Education Psychologist from Children and Young People's Services), Anxiety and Emotional Wellbeing.

12-Nov-21	14.30-15.00	Introduction to Maths Mastery session for families of children in all years. Via MS Teams with Mrs Alavoine-Andrews and Mrs Rutherford
17-Nov-21	9.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning in the Hut. All welcome. 9.15 Jackie Woods (Senior Education Psychologist from Children and Young People's Services), Anxiety and Emotional Wellbeing.
19-Nov-21	All day	BBC Children in Need Charity day - details to follow
23-Nov-21	15.15	Loddon PTA Second hand uniform sale
24-Nov-21	9.00-10.00	PSA Wellness Walk then tea/coffee in the Hut. All welcome.
1-Dec-21	9.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning in the Hut. All welcome.
2-Dec-21	All day	Y4 visit by Ufton Court
3-Dec-21	All day	PTA MUFTI day - details to follow
8-Dec-21	9.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning in the Hut. All welcome. 9.30 Mrs Didcock - SEN Information session
10-Dec-21	All day	Save the Children charity - Christmas Jumper Day
12-Dec-21	17.00	Beauty and the Beast panto at Hexagon, group show organised by PTA
15-Dec-21	9.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning in the Hut. All welcome.
18-Dec-21 - 3-Jan 22	All day	School Christmas holiday
4-Jan-22	All day	INSET day
5-Jan-22	All day	Start of Pupil Spring term




Raise a Reader

Course for parents and carers

**12 and 19 October,
Tuesdays 10am - 12 noon
at the Parent Hut**

This Wokingham Adult Education course will run over two weeks. Parents will learn ways of encouraging reading and how to nurture a love of reading at home! Explore how to build up children's motivation to read.

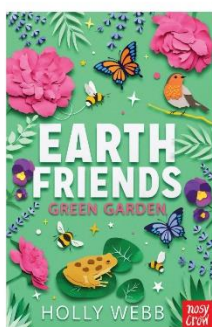
**Book a place via:
adulteducation@wokingham.gov.uk
07785 314603**





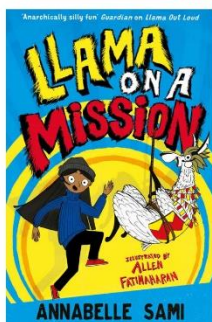
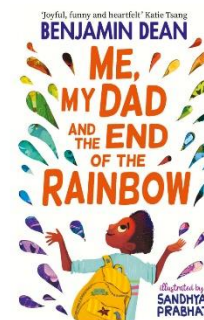
Wokingham Children's Book Festival

October 16th and 17th 2021



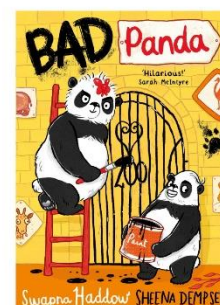
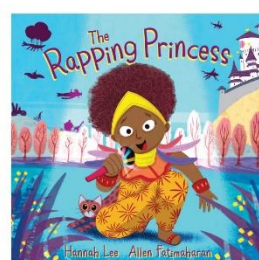
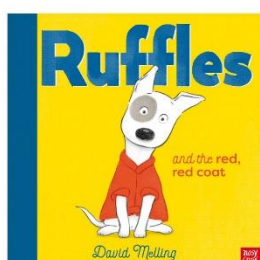
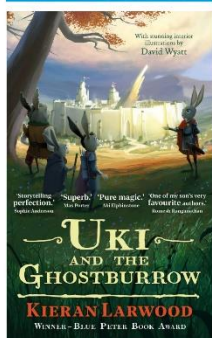
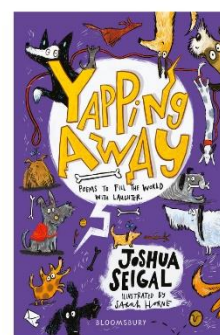
A wide variety of authors and illustrators joining us, eager to introduce you to their world!

For ages 3 - 12



Limited in person sessions
and all sessions available online

£3 a seat in person or
£3 a family pass online



Sign up now
www.wokingham-tc.gov.uk/bookfest



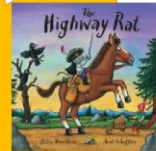
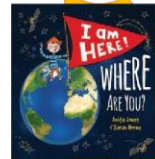
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Reception



Y1

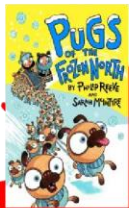


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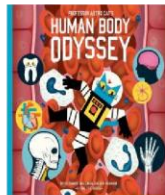


Loddon Reading Reps' October Book Recommendations

Y3



Y4



Y5



Y6



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