

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'.

Rory	Firebirds	Air	Caring and responsibility
Parinaaz	Greylings	Fire	Quality
Olivia	Stingrays	Fire	Quality
Szymon	Turtles	Water	Quality
Miah	Starfish	Air	Quality
Lois	Jellyfish	Air	Kindness and friendship
Mahad	Hawks	Fire	Courage and determination



Reading Reminders

We hope you have been able to use your child's £1 World Book Day voucher. If not, you have until the 27th of March to do so!

Here are a few reminders about reading at Loddon:

- We ask that children read at least 5 times a week at home.
- Please record this reading in your child's school reading record. (As they get older, they are able to do this themselves.)
- We ask that reading records come to school every day! This means that any reading done in school can be recorded.
- School staff will look at reading records on a Thursday, so please remind children to hand them in.



- If your child has misplaced their reading record, or they need a new one because they have finished it, please let their teacher know.

We thank you for your support with helping all our Loddon children become life-long readers.

Miss Baker and Miss Wadey; English subject leaders

Friday morning reading sessions return this summer term

In the summer term, as of Friday 29th April, we will be opening classroom doors at 8:30am each Friday and inviting parents to join their child in class to share a book together, look at your child's learning together from that week and if you need to also change their reading book together ready for the weekend. Prior to the pandemic and associated restrictions this was a popular weekly event for many parents/carers and we look forward to being able to return to these weekly Friday drop-ins once again.

When attending Friday morning reading sessions please respect the following guidelines.

- Arrive no earlier than 8:30am and leave the class by 8:40am (Nursery and reception) and 8:50am (Y1-6) so the school day can begin.
- Children may only attend early on a Friday if accompanied by a parent/carer and must be supervised by their parent/carer until the time when classroom doors would usually open 8:40am (Nursery and reception) and 8:45am (Y1-6).
- Please do not attend the session if you are unwell.



Y6 Values Ambassadors

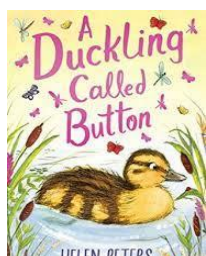
Our Values Ambassadors are a group of children in Y6 who feel that they can and do represent the Loddon Values in their relationships and behaviours both at school and at home. As such, the Ambassadors were invited to take part in a rigorous application process which included an application expressing their interest and explaining how they are a role model for the Loddon values and the submission of a written recommendation from a parent or member of school staff in support of their application. Following this application process, we now have x15 Y6 Values Ambassadors. Congratulations to them on their successful applications.

The Values Ambassadors are currently contributing their ideas and will also be surveying the ideas of other Loddon pupils in reviewing the key rewards systems used at our school as part of our approaches to positive behaviour.

Miss Joseph and Mrs Phillips; VbE Leaders



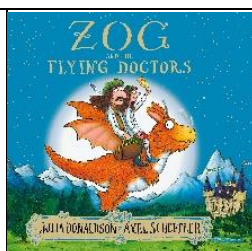
This week's book recommendations have been written by Year Two children.



"This is one of my favourite books because it is exciting and about animals and I

love reading about animals. In this story Jasmine find 2 duck eggs without a mother and she needs to hatch them. Helen Peters has written lots of books about animals going on adventures."

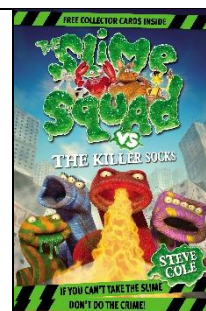
By Jacob Brown, Stingrays Class



"I like that the sentences in the book rhyme like a poem and

the doctors help those who are in need. In the story a team of flying doctors help people. Zog the dragon is the ambulance. It is similar to the story Zog because the characters in both of the books are the same".

By Sophia Bardet, Turtles Class



"This story is about the slime squad defeating killer

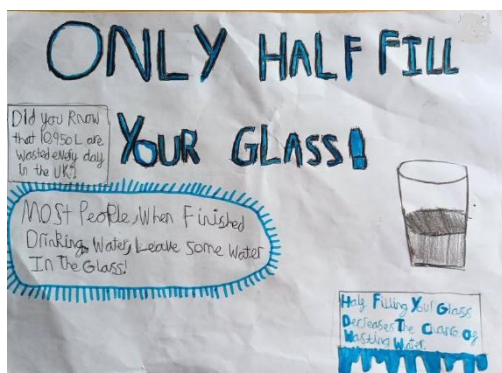
socks. I like this book because I like scary stories and I am into superheroes. It is similar to Captain Underpants because superheroes are in it."

By Lewis Wright, Octopus Class

If your child reads one of these books as a result of these reviews, we would love it if you could email psa@loddon.wokingham.sch.uk and let us know.

World Water Day

The Eco Reps helped to share information about World Water Day with the whole school in an assembly this week. They showed how some children around the world can't go to school because they have to collect water from a river or pump, then carry it home. They also passed around bottles of dirty water to help us understand how lucky we are in the UK to have clean drinking water on tap. Here are some posters designed by the Eco Reps encouraging us to save water by only filling our glass half way.



This week we also learned about **Earth Hour**, which will take place on Saturday 26th March at 8.30pm. You could show your support for combating climate change by switching off electrical devices and lights for an hour on Saturday. More details can be found at <https://www.earthhour.org/>

Comic Relief - Charity fundraising

Thank you to everyone who donated funds to the charity Comic Relief on Friday 18th March. Together we raised a brilliant £610.

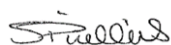
Tea and Tinies at St Nicolas Church

Parents/carers and their little ones (babies to 2.5 years approximately) are invited to St Nicolas Church on a Monday afternoon between 2.30pm and 3.30pm for 'Tea and Tinies'. This is specifically a quiet space for parents/carers with little ones who may not have had the opportunity to socialise during lockdown.

Matilda the Musical - Relaxed performance

Matilda the musical (London) is having a relaxed performance on Sunday 19th June, that may be of interest to some of our families. *Mrs Didcock, Inclusion Leader*

Yours sincerely



Mrs S Phillips - Headteacher

Diary Events List: Spring 2022

Date	Time	Event
28 & 29 Mar 22	16.00-19.00	FS to Y6 Parents evening (via MS Teams) <i>(Children's work will be sent home the weekend before Parents evening to be viewed by parents/carers. Please ensure all work is then returned to school at the start of the week.)</i>
28 Mar 22	19.00-19.30	Ask the Governors drop in session for parents/carers
29 Mar 22	13.30-15.00	Y3 REInspired session 'I wonder, What is 'good' about Good Friday?' venue: St Nicolas Church
30 Mar 22	9.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning
1 Apr 22	9.30-10.30	F1 tour for prospective parents with Mrs March
4 Apr 22	During day	Y5 Fire Safety talk by Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue
5 Apr 22	9.15-10.15	Y4 dress rehearsal
5 Apr 22	13.30-15.00	Y6 REInspired session on Easter. Venue St Nicolas Church
6 Apr 22	9.00-10.00	PSA Tea/Coffee morning
6 Apr 22	14.00-15.00	Y4 production to parents (via MS Teams)
7 Apr 22	14.00-15.00	Y4 production to parents (via MS Teams)



Date	Time	Event
8 Apr 22		End of term - school finishes at usual time
11-22 Apr 22	Throughout	Easter holiday
25 Apr 22	All day	Start of Pupil Summer term