

PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER NO 7

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Dear Parents and Carers,



House Gems

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

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| Aarth B | Bennu | Air | Friendship |
| Chloe W | Firebird | Water | Resilience and confidence |
| Jasritha D | Firebird | Earth | Kindness and friendship |
| Arlo C | Bennu | Fire | Independence, quality and responsibility |
| Miles A | Bennu | Water | Friendship, caring and co-operation |
| Toby W | Wyvern | Air | Responsibility and quality |
| Martha S | Eagles | Earth | Quality, confidence and courage |



Love Food Hate Waste

This 3-week parent course will be running from 23rd January until 6th February 2024 between 9.30-11.30am in our Parent Hut. If you would like to attend or to find out more, please use www.webenrol.com/Wokingham for the 'love food hate waste' course at Loddon Primary. Mrs Kam Bhogal, Parent Support Advisor.

Year one pedestrian gate repair

The pedestrian gate next to the Silverdale building (Foundation and year one) is due to be removed and a new one fitted. The contractor who will be carrying out this work will be on site the week beginning the 15th January 2024 to complete this. We apologise for any inconvenience these site works may cause next week as well as for the delay but as the gate is a custom fit, it has had to be manufactured from scratch. We expect once the works are completed the gate will be much more reliable than in the past. The work will also include a new intercom post to replace the old bent version. Bob Parsons, Site Manager



Local Transport Plan Consultation

The Traffic and Transport Team at Wokingham Borough Council are currently consulting on their updated Local Transport Plan (LTP4) before adopting a finalised version. LTP4 is a strategic document that sets out how they aim to improve walking, cycling and public transport facilities in the coming years. They invite feedback from residents (adults and children over 13) on the proposed document via this link: <https://engage.wokingham.gov.uk/en-GB/projects/a-new-local-transport-plan-for-wokingham-borough>. The consultation is now live and running until 23rd February 2024.



SIMS Parents App

Look out for further information, this Spring Term, as we will be launching the SIMS (School Information Management System) Parent App. The app will provide you with digitally secure online access to your child's contact details and medical data. As well as allowing you to edit such information should you need to make updates during your child's time with us at Loddon. *Anthony Wilson, School Business Manager*

Art work in St Nicolas Church reception

The reception area at St Nicolas Church hosts various local artists' work and is well worth a visit, currently showing some fantastic portraits by Chris Esling. Do feel free to pop in and see them, warmly open to all the community.

Lunchtime Controller

We are looking for a friendly and capable person to join our lunchtime team on a permanent contract to start as soon as possible. Applicants should enjoy working with children and be available to work every day during term time plus one INSET day (191 days per academic year). Hours are 11.50-1.20pm Monday to Friday which equates to 7 hours 30 minutes per week. You will be paid at Grade 3 SCP 5 and earn £3,996 per year. Full training will be given. Applications will be considered on receipt. Close date: Wednesday 31st January. Interviews: Mutually convenient date. The school is committed to safer recruitment practice and pre-employment checks will be undertaken before any appointment is confirmed. This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Barring Service check.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Phillips - Headteacher



Diary Events List: Spring 2024

| Date | Time | Event |
|------------------------|-----------------|---|
| 15-Jan-24 | End of day | Deadline for Primary School admissions |
| 23-Jan-24 to 6 Feb-24 | 9.30-11.30 | Love Food Hate Waste weekly course in the Parent Hut (see attached flyer) |
| 23-Jan-24 | 13.30-15.00 | Y6 REInspired 'Death funerals and the Christian response' session at St Nicolas Church. |
| 24-Jan-24 | 9.00-10.00 | PSA Tea and Coffee session in the Parent Hut |
| 30-Jan-24 | During day | Y5 visit by Winchester Science Centre to Loddon |
| 30-Jan-24 | 9.30-13.30 | Y6 visit to Maiden Erlegh School performance |
| 30-Jan-24 | 13.30-15.00 | Y1 REInspired 'Jesus as a friend' session at Brookside Church. |
| 31-Jan-24 | 9.00-10.00 | PSA Tea and Coffee session in the Parent Hut |
| 06-Feb-24 | During day | Y4 Green Park Wind Turbine visit |
| 07-Feb-24 | 9.00-10.00 | PSA Tea and Coffee session in the Parent Hut |
| 10-Feb-24 to 18-Feb-24 | Throughout | Spring Half Term holiday - School closed |
| 19-Feb-24 | Usual time | Pupil Spring term resumes |
| 19-Feb-24 | Fortnight | Y5 cycling proficiency training |
| 20-Feb-24 | 13.30-15.30 | Y2 REInspired session at Loddon Primary |
| 21-Feb-24 | 9.00-10.00 | PSA Tea and Coffee session in the Parent Hut |
| 21-Feb-24 | 9.00-11.00 | Care for the Family course in the Parent Hut |
| 27-Feb-24 | During day | Y2 Magic Lantern workshop |
| 28-Feb-24 | 9.00-10.00 | PSA Tea and Coffee session in the Parent Hut |
| 4-Mar-24 | 19.00-20.00 | PTA meeting in the Parent Hut |
| 6-Mar-24 | 9.00-10.00 | PSA Tea and Coffee session in the Parent Hut |
| 6-Mar-24 | After school | PTA second hand uniform and book sale in the Parent Hut |
| 13-Mar-24 | 9.00-10.00 | PSA Tea and Coffee session in the Parent Hut |
| 18-Mar-24 | 16.00-19.00 | Nursery to Y6 parents evening - Remote via MS Teams |
| 19-Mar-24 | 16.00-19.00 | Nursery to Y6 parents evening - Remote via MS Teams |
| 20-Mar-24 | 9.00-10.00 | PSA Tea and Coffee session in the Parent Hut |
| 21-Mar-24 | 9.15 for 9.30 | Y1-3 Easter assembly at St Nicolas Church at 9.30am |
| 21-Mar-24 | 10.15 for 10.30 | Y4-6 Easter assembly at St Nicolas Church at 10.30am |
| 27-Mar-24 | 9.00-10.00 | PSA Tea and Coffee session in the Parent Hut |
| 27-Mar-24 | 18.00-19.30 | Full Governing Body meeting - Attendance by invitation of the Headteacher or Chair only |
| 29-Mar-24 to 14 Apr-24 | Throughout | Easter Holiday - School closed to pupils |
| 15-Apr-24 | Usual time | Pupil Summer term begins |