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This week has seen a really diverse set of activities:

**Year 1** started this week being inspired by the space dome. They saw the relative size of the Sun and Earth and the stars revolving around in the sky above them. The children particularly enjoyed the story of Luna, Orion and Sirius explaining how star constellations came about.

**Year 4** learnt more about the 'Ancient Egyptians' when they were visited by Wantage Museum. Looking glamorous in their Egyptian costumes, the children learnt about the journey to the afterlife and about the process of mummification. The children also got to hold ancient artefacts and learnt about their significance to the Egyptians.

**Bike safety** came to Ladygrove this week. Foundation and Year 1 practised their bike skills negotiating obstacles, whilst some of Year 5 did it for real on the roads during this week's cycle training. The children shared their knowledge on road safety in assembly and their desire to get out on their bikes more. Across the school, the children enjoyed themed lessons and activities through the week. A huge thanks to Mark at Tesco for sharing his expertise in road safety and for bringing his lorry to school yesterday. The children were very excited to see such a huge vehicle up close. There is a national competition to design a cycling helmet open to any of the children. Click on the link for further details

[https://cyclesafety.first4lawyers.com/media/1641/lesson-plans\\_upper-primary-ages-7-11-ks2-final.pdf](https://cyclesafety.first4lawyers.com/media/1641/lesson-plans_upper-primary-ages-7-11-ks2-final.pdf)

Entries need to be handed in to Mrs McLauchlan (class 5) by Tuesday morning to be entered, or you can submit your child's entry at [www.cycle-safety.org](http://www.cycle-safety.org) Good luck to all those thinking of entering a design!

We invited representatives of the **NSPCC** to do an assembly for all and a workshop for Years 5 and 6. They covered the different ways to keep yourself safe and ensured that the children knew who to talk to if they felt they needed help; parents, staff at school or Childline. We will be doing a sponsored sport activity in the next few weeks to raise money for the charity (see below).

Thank you to parents of **choir** for being understanding and waiting in the cold while we finished our recording for BBC Radio Oxford. I am sure you will agree it was worth it when you listen to the on **Monday 3rd December at 7.45am and 8.45am**. We are the first school to be played as part of the Breakfast show's countdown to Christmas!

**Year 3** had excellent, if cold, trips to Hill End this week to learn more about the Roman and Britton way of life, doing some archery and exploring artifacts. The biggest part of the day was learning how to fight (safely) using the correct equipment. Although the Romans were the inevitable victors, the Brittons put up a very brave fight. Tactics used by both sides in Class 8 turned their battle into an epic war!

**NSPCC Buddy's Big Workout – Thursday 29 November** This week representatives from the NSPCC came into school to both KS1 & KS2 assemblies to talk to the children about how to stay safe and what to do if they have any worries. We will be taking part in Buddy's Big workout, a sponsored event, to support the work the NSPCC do. The workout will involve lots of sports activities for the children to take part in with their class.

Yesterday, your child will have bought home a sponsor form which we hope you can help your child with asking family and friends for sponsorship for taking part in the workout.

All sponsor money should be returned in the tear off envelope to your child's class, where there is a NSPCC box for collection.

**Sponsor money should be returned by Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.**

Good luck to our boys' football team today; they are playing a league away match against Wantage after school.

## COMING UP...

Below is a timetable for our **Christmas performances** next month. Please take time to make a note in your diary (or on your phone) when tickets become available. Please note that evening tickets are normally sold out within 24 hours!

### Foundation Stage & Year 1 'Sing Song'



When: **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

Times: **10am and 2.15pm**

Tickets required? **Yes - £1.50 each** (limit of 2 tickets per family)

Tickets available? **Box Office opens at 8.30am Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Nov**

If you cannot get to our box office (reception) please email the school office to reserve tickets.

**Any tickets not collected by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December will be made available to parents who want extra on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**

### Year 2 Christmas Production 'Lights, Camel, Action!'



When: **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

Times: **1.30pm and 6.15pm**

Tickets required? **Yes - £1.50 each** limit of 4 tickets per family (maximum evening ticket allowance is 2 tickets)

Tickets available? **Box Office opens at 8.30am Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec**  
If you cannot get to our box office (reception) please email the school office to reserve tickets.

**Any tickets not collected by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December will be made available to parents who want extra on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

On **16<sup>th</sup> January** M&M Theatrical Productions are in school in the afternoon to perform *Robin Hood* to Year 1-6 children. Each year, without fail, this touring theatrical company visit our school to briefly bring back the atmosphere of Christmas. They are experts in family entertainment of classic stories. We ask for a voluntary donation of £2.75 per child to cover the cost of this. Please pay for this via ParentPay.

After a very successful Term 1 workshop on anxiety, the second of our Mental Health and Well Being Workshops will be held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December from 5pm-6pm and will focus on 'Ages and Stage: helping children to grow and develop independence at the right age', delivered by our learning mentor, Carol Saunders. During the workshops discussions will be held around what parents expect of children at the different stages of development and how this aligns with what we already know about development of children. Whether you have high or low expectations of your child's independence, this workshop will give you useful tips to take home so that your child is developing their independence at the right pace. We are limiting places to 25 so that an informal atmosphere is upheld in which everyone feels comfortable saying what they want to say. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. If you would like to attend please email us at [office.2609@ladygrove-park.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.2609@ladygrove-park.oxon.sch.uk) you will then be notified whether you are successful in securing a place on the workshop.

## NOTICES ...

The Travelling Book Fair returns to Ladygrove next week! The Travelling Books Book Fair will be open every morning and afternoon. We hope to have it in the courtyard again this year, unless it is terrible weather in which case we will relocate to the library. Don't miss out on the chance to get some of your Christmas shopping done early! Remember, any money raised from the book fair helps towards new books for our book corners and school library.



**Reminder: Admissions to school (Academic Year 19/20):** If your child was born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015 you must apply for a school place for your child for entry in the academic year September 2018. You will be able to apply on-line from 25<sup>th</sup> October. Please visit [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions) for further information. The deadline line date is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

### Please remember the following:-

- It is the responsibility of parents/carers to apply for a school place by the deadline of 15 January 2019
- If your child is attending nursery classes within a primary school, you must still apply for a place in the main school
- You can list three different schools in order of preference. We strongly advise you to use all three preferences
- We advise you to enter your catchment (or designated) school as one of your preferences
- Attending your catchment school does not entitle you to free home to school transport if it is not your closest school and / under 2 miles away
- If your application is late, you are far less likely to get a place at one of your preferred schools.

Click on this link for easy access to OCC website <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/online-school-applications>

### Dates next week:

Date	Activity	Time	Place	Notes
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Travelling Book Fair in school Boys Football Tournament <b>Box Office Opens</b> James Bishop (Author)	8.30am & 3.10pm morning <b>8.30am</b> 3.10pm	Courtyard Oxford <b>Reception</b> Library	Cash only please Meet at Oxford <b>FS &amp; Yr 1 Christmas Sing Song – tickets on sale</b> Pre order your books now! (see details overleaf)
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Chris Pearson in school Cycle Training Boys Football Club Girls Football Club Knit & Natter Club	All Day afternoon 3.15pm-4.15pm 3.15pm-4.15pm 3.15pm-4pm	Year 1 Ladygrove Meet in C9 Meet in C9 Library	Space Selected Yr 5 children
Weds 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Recorder Club	3.15pm-4pm	Class 7	
Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Choir Club Girls Football Match Netball Club Yr 2 Cake Crumbly	3.15pm-4pm Sonning Common 3.15pm-4.15pm 3.10pm	Class 8 2.45pm Class 15 Courtyard	KO at 3.30pm  Remember to bring cakes to sell!
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Girls Football Tournament After School Club	morning 3pm-6pm	Oxford Nursery	Meet at Oxford at 9.30am Pick up from Class 1
Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	PALS Christmas Fair – help needed – see overleaf	1pm-1.30pm 1.30pm-4pm	School School	Preview for SEN Parents Christmas Fair Opens

**Messages from the School Nursing Team:**

- Please see below the link regarding expiry date extensions of **JEXT adrenaline auto injectors**. Please check any JEXT pens you have at home. <https://www.bsaci.org/announcements/jext-batch-extensions-on-some-devices>
- If your child missed their **flu vaccination** in school last week and you would like them to have it, please book into one of the catch up sessions listed below.

**Community Staff Nurse, Didcot School Nursing Team (Primarys)**

Didcot Health Centre, Britwell Road, Didcot, Oxon, OX11 7JH, 01235 515503 (office), 07825 843695 (mobile)

[Didcot.shns@nhs.net](mailto:Didcot.shns@nhs.net)

<https://www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/school-health-nurses/>

<b>Flu vaccination catch up clinic sessions for children in Reception, Years 1, 2, 3, 4 &amp; 5 who have missed the vaccine at their school session</b>				
Area	Day	Date	Time	To book an appointment
East Oxford Health Centre		16.10.18	15:00-17:00	01865 904225
East Oxford Health Centre		8.11.18	15:00-17:00	01865 904225
East Oxford Health Centre		20.11.18	15:00-17:00	01865 904225
East Oxford Health Centre		28.11.18	15:00-17:00	01865 904225
Thame Cottage Hospital		4.12.18	tbc	01865 904225
Bicester		16.10.18	15:00	01869 604095
Bicester		16.10.18	15:30	01869 604095
Banbury		18.10.18	15:30	01865 904234
Witney Hospital Rm 2		31.10.18	15:30-17:30	01865 901295
Banbury		9.11.18	15:30	01865 904234
Bicester		13.11.18	15:30	01869 604095
Witney Hospital Rm 3		16.11.18	15:30-17:30	01865 901295
Banbury		30.11.18	15:30	01865 904234
Bicester		4.12.18	15:30	01869 604095
Witney Hospital Room 7		18.12.18	15:30-17:30	01865 901295
Bicester		11.12.18	15:30	01869 604095
Chipping Norton Hospital Clinic Room 1		12.12.18	15:30	01865 901295
Banbury		12.12.18	15:30	01865 904234
Abingdon		18.10.18	a.m.	01865 904890
Abingdon		10.12.18	am	01865 904890
Wallingford		11.12.18	am	01865 904845
Wantage		13.12.18	am	01865 904845
Didcot		14.12.18	am	01235 515503

***Andrew Markham and the School Team***

**Message from PALS - Christmas Fayre - Saturday 1st December**

Our Refreshments Stall needs you! We would love to receive donations of mince pies or biscuits/cookies for our event, these can be left in the Reception area next Friday (30th November). Please don't forget to label any containers you'd like returning.

**Raffle Tickets for the PALS Christmas Fair have gone home today!**



The Christmas Fair is coming and PALS **need your help!** If you can spare some time on the day to help man a stand - just an hour will be great - then we would be very grateful.

It's really easy and a great way to get into the festive spirit. If you can help, please get in touch - either complete the slip below and drop it off at reception, or email PALS at [ladygrovepals@gmail.com](mailto:ladygrovepals@gmail.com) or send a messenger email to Alison Garraway.

**Volunteering for the Christmas Craft Fayre**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

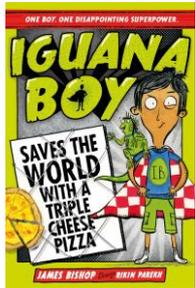
I can help with (please circle):

<b>Setup Friday (3:30-7pm)</b>	<b>Setup Saturday (9-1pm)</b>	<b>Clear up (4pm til finish)</b>
<b>Stall 1-2pm</b>	<b>Stall 2-3pm</b>	<b>Stall 3-4pm</b>

Dear KS2 Parents

Your child's year group has a visit from author **James Bishop** on **26 November**. The second title in James's laugh out loud hit **Iguana Boy** series, **Iguana Boy vs. The 30 Second Thief**, is out now, and Dylan and his bunch of hyper iguanas must prove themselves once again! James's debut title, **Iguana Boy Saves the World With a Triple Cheese Pizza** released earlier this year to rave reviews, was recently on the longlist for the Blue Peter Book of the Year Award, as well as being part of the 2018 Summer Reading Challenge and the Tom Fletcher Book Club! The series' anarchic text and lively comic style illustrations are sure to be a hit with fans of *Tom Gates* and *My Brother is a Superhero*.

**If your child would like to order a book for James to sign and dedicate, please use the form below.**



**Iguana Boy Saves The World With a Triple Cheese Pizza**

**One boy. One disappointing superpower. Can Dylan tame a bunch of hyper iguanas and come up with a masterful plan to save the WORLD? Yeah, probably ... but he's going to need a MASSIVE cheese pizza.**

Dylan has wanted a superpower for as long as he can remember, especially since his brother and sister have got really cool ones.

But when his wish finally comes true, Dylan is MIGHTILY disappointed. For Dylan has become ... Iguana Boy. He can talk to Iguanas ... RUBBISH!

And when supervillain Celina Shufflebottom kidnaps all the superheroes in London, Dylan must work out how to use his new team of chatty iguanas to save the day. He's going to have to think outside the box, (the pizza box), if he's going to become the hero he's always dreamed of.

**Iguana Boy vs. The 30 Second Thief**

**One boy. One disappointing superpower. Can Dylan and his bunch of hyper iguanas make a lasting impression on the superhero collective, or will he be laughed out of town?**

He might have the lamest superpower ever but Dylan, AKA Iguana Boy, has proven himself worthy enough to be accepted into the superhero collective. Dylan is excited and his iguanas are hyper. Recipe for success, RIGHT?

Iguana Boy and his team of iguanas eagerly await their orders to SAVE THE WORLD. But CEO of the Superhero Collective Ron Strongman doesn't have time for lowly superheroes.

Dylan will have to find his own way to get to the top, or else he will be saving silly cats from trees FOREVER. When a new villain is causing chaos across London, Dylan can't believe his luck... this is his chance. Can Iguana Boy bring Repeat Offender to justice ... In 30 seconds or less!



Child's name and class.....

Title of book(s) ordered (£6.99 each)  
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Parent's signature.....