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Year five had a very enjoyable trip to the **Living Rainforest** on Wednesday. They were taken on tours of the two glasshouses and shown many different plants and animals including bright blue poison-dart frogs, a beautiful toucan. Children were all well behaved and listened intently as the tour guides explained the adaptations animals and plants have made to live in this environment. The guides were impressed with how much our children knew about the rainforest and made us proud. A big thank you to the parents who accompanied them on the trip.

Please can I remind everyone that **riding a bike or scooter** in school grounds is **NOT** allowed- as stated in the first newsletter of the year. Yesterday a child on a scooter collided with a young child in the school playground. This rule is for everyone's safety and I would appreciate you reiterate this message at home with your child. Thank you.

Bumped Heads - We are changing the way we notify parents/carers if your child bumps their head in school. You will still receive a first aid slip as normal but we are replacing our 'bumped head' stickers with a neon orange wrist band. The date and time will be recorded on the band and it is advisable for this to stay on your child for 72 hours so anyone can monitor any changes. I would like to reiterate that Parents are always contacted immediately if our first aiders are concerned about any injury your child experiences however, please remember that head injuries can be mild, moderate or severe and always seek medical advice if you are concerned about your child after a head injury. This change is not in response to any incident- just a prudent update to our protocol.

Children in Year 6 are currently writing applications if they want to become a **Digital Safety Leader**. Six leaders will work with myself and senior leaders through the year to ensure children and parents know how to be safe with their devices and while online. The six leaders will be chosen based on the content of their applications. These are still available from me in the office- to be returned by next Wednesday (2nd October). The successful candidates will be informed next Friday.

Similarly, Year 5 (five) children will be invited to become **Anti Bullying Ambassadors** next week now that our previous Year 6 (six) ambassadors have left. This will be through the same application process and 6 (six) children will lead on initiatives through the year to highlight the difference between being Rude, being Mean and Bullying and how the school deals with each.

The **PALS AGM** is taking place next week- 3rd October at 7.30pm at school. We gave our fond farewell to PALS Chair Ali Garraway last year and we have been looking for her replacement ever since. Please do approach anyone at school if you think you can **spare the time to Chair** this small but wonderful group of parents who make all the lovely PALS events happen at school.

COMING UP...

High Five Club will be running on Tuesdays after school (3.15pm-4pm). Club is for Year 5 & 6 children only and there are limited spaces available. Please email the school office if your child would like to join High Five this term. Club will start on 1st October. Children to meet in Cass 4.

Library Club next week is cancelled.

You may or may not know that **schools receive funding based on the number of children** who have a school meal on census days (3 times a year). Our first census day is next Thursday (3rd October). All children from Reception to Year 2 are entitled to universal free schools and if your child normally has a packed lunch can you please consider have a school meal next Thursday.

The special menu for next Thursday is:-

Build your own roll -

Sausage in a roll OR Quorn sausage in a roll OR Jacket Potato with beans, cheese or tuna
onions, mayonnaise, salad, mustard, ketchup, lettuce; All served with chips.

Ice cream and fruit jelly

The Saturday maths club, '**Maths Matters**' (run by Dr Shorrock and Mrs Manthorpe) will be returning on Saturday 28 September, with a subsequent session for Term 1 on 12 October. The session for children in Years 2-4 will be held at 10 - 11 am and sessions for children in Years 5 & 6 will be held afterwards at 11 - 12 pm. Sessions cost £15 per child. The session on 28 September will be all about helping your child to problem solve by developing their mathematical thinking and reasoning ability. Sessions are held at Ladygrove Primary School. To book your child a place, please email didcotmathsmatters@gmail.com

Dates next week:

Date	Activity	Time	Place	Notes
Tuesday 1 st Oct	Yr 5 Cycling Class 15 visit Didcot Library High Five Stemillions Club Library Club	Afternoon Afternoon 3.15pm-4pm 3.15pm-4pm 3.15pm-4pm	Ladygrove Didcot Library Courtyard Class 2 Library	Selected children Meet in Class 4 CLUB CANCELLED
Weds 2 nd Oct	Yr 4 visit Sulgrave Manor Girls Football Club	All Day 3.15pm-4.15pm	 Class 15	Remember packed lunches Remember football kit
Thursday 3 rd Oct <i>CENSUS DAY</i> <i>Special Menu</i>	Yr 2 Cake Crumbly Choir Club Wildlife Gardening Club PALS AGM Meeting	3.10pm 3.15pm-4pm 3.15pm-4.15pm 7.30pm	Courtyard Class 13 Class 9 School	Don't forget to bring in cakes to sell Remember gardening gloves etc New Parents welcome

NOTICES ...

Reminder: Admissions to school (Academic Year 20/19): If your child was born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016 you must apply for a school place for your child for entry in the academic year September 2020. You will be able to apply on-line from 1st November 2019. Please visit www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions for further information. NB The deadline line date for online applications is 15th January 2020.

Please remember the following:-

- It is the responsibility of parents/carers to apply for a school place by the deadline of 15 January 2020
- 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/residents/schools/apply-school-place>

Reminder: Admissions to Secondary School:

Year 6 parents can now apply on line for secondary schools and the closing date is 31st October 2019.

Remember, to ensure your child transfers to the school that you consider most appropriate, you must apply before the closing date.

Click on this link for easy access to OCC website. <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/apply-school-place/secondary-school>

For transport information click on this link <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/travelling-school>

All secondary schools have open mornings and information evenings. Check out their individual websites for further information.

Student Update Forms went gone home with your child last week. Please check all the information carefully to ensure we have the most up to date information in school. Please return the forms back to school today whether you have made any updates or not. Thank you

Parent Meeting: Forms went home last week – thank you to everyone who have returned their forms. Slips with appointment times will return home in the next couple of weeks. If you haven't returned a form or mislaid yours, the letter is on our website to download (under *Letters and Blog* tab, *Newsletters*)

Free School Meals (FSM): If you are in receipt of benefit support from the Government you may be entitled to Free School Meals (FSM). It is important to make the school aware of this as they receive funding from the Government for families that qualify for FSM; if you think this relates to you please speak to Sarah or Heather in the office as we can check whether you are eligible. **Please note this is different to universal free school meals.**

PALS Annual General Meeting (AGM) – 3rd October at 7.30pm Please join us for the first Parents at Ladygrove School (PALS) meeting of the school year. This is the AGM. Volunteering with PALS is a great way to learn more about the school and, of course, meet some great new people! Perhaps you are interested in finding out more about what PALS is and how we raise funds to benefit children at the school. You might have ideas about new activities we could introduce, or maybe you would like to volunteer to help organise an event. All LPPS parents and guardians are welcome and no previous experience is necessary!

Reminders..... please check your ParentPay account to ensure you are up to date with payments for lunches and trips. Thank you.

Andrew Markham and the school team

HOLIDAY CAMP WILL BE RUNNING AT LPPS IN OCTOBER HALF TERM!



We are pleased to be running Holiday Camp at Ladygrove once again this October half term. Camp will be running on Friday 25th, Monday 28th, Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th October. There are lots of activities on offer for all age groups.

	AM SESSION		PM SESSION	
Friday 25 October	MultiSport & Craft (KS1 & KS2)		MultiSport & Craft (KS1 & KS2)	
Monday 28 October	Forest School (KS1 & KS2)	MultiSport & Craft (KS1 & KS2)	Football (KS2)	MultiSport & Craft (KS1 & KS2)
Tuesday 29 October	Mini Professors Science (KS1)	MultiSport & Craft (KS1 & KS2)	MultiSport & Craft (KS1 & KS2)	
Wednesday 30 October	MultiSport & Craft (KS1 & KS2)		Halloween Light Up Jars (KS1 & KS2)	MultiSport & Craft (KS1 & KS2)

£35 for a full day (9.30 - 4.30pm)

£20 for half day (9.30 -12.30pm or 1.30 - 4.30pm)

Wrap around care available from 8.30am to 5.30pm (£3 per AM or PM session)

Places are limited and payment is required to secure the booking.

We are Ofsted Registered and accept Childcare Vouchers.

To book, please contact sam@fullcirclesports.co.uk

OPEN EVENTS



Open Evening

Our next Year 5/6 Open Evening will provide an opportunity for you to look around the school and to meet some of our current students and staff.

Headteacher presentations will take place in the Main Hall at 5.00pm, 6.00pm and 7.00pm.

Please note that the earlier presentations do get extremely busy.



Please visit www.aureusschool.org/548/open-events to register for one of these events.

Open Evening: Thursday 10th October, 5.00pm - 8.00pm
Open Mornings: Weeks commencing 15th and 22nd October



Open Mornings

For those who cannot make the open evening, we will be holding a series of open mornings.

Tuesday 15th October	9.00am	
Wednesday 16th October	9.00am	For parents of children with SEND
Thursday 17th October	9.00am	
Tuesday 22nd October	9.00am	
Wednesday 23rd October	9.00am	For parents of more able children
Thursday 24th October	9.00am	

