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It was great to see so many parents attend our **phonics information session** this week. Parents and carers watched while each class demonstrated a flavour of what our phonics sessions look like with the children. Next there was a presentation giving more details about how we teach phonics using the Read Write Inc Programme, followed by time to explore the areas where there were some phonics based activities and games. We hope you found it useful. Please ask us if you need anything clarifying. The powerpoint that Mrs Cook shared with you is on our website if you would like time to look through it again. *Foundation Stage Team*

On Wednesday Year 6 enjoyed a trip to the **Oxford Natural History Museum**. Through a workshop and an interactive tour the children extended their learning about evolution. There were opportunities to handle different specimens and explore how animals have evolved over time from fish. Everyone was engaged and were a credit to the school. Well done, Year 6! *Year 6 Team*

Year 1 had a fantastic turn out of **parents and grandparents** for our open classrooms on Wednesday. We were able to show off our work in our books and folders, our carefully designed clay dragons and performed Puff the Magic Dragon. Thank you for coming and celebrating our hard work with us! *Year 1 Team*

Year 3 are excited to dress up as their favourite **fairy-tale character** and showcase their work from this term at their fairy-tale picnic today. They have designed and made healthy sandwiches. No excuses for not helping to make their own packed lunches now! The children will also share their work on fairy-tales and innovating the story of Little Red Riding Hood, including an alternate version of events as told by Roald Dahl. Thank you in advance to all the parents who are able to join us this afternoon. *Year 3 Team*

I am delighted to mention that one of our pupils, Leah, has been selected to be a part of Cornerstone's Christmas production – [*The Adventures of Pinocchio*](#). Please visit their website for further details about their production. Well done Leah!

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to the **PALS AGM** last week. We said a final goodbye to our Chair of the last two years, Alison Garraway, and thanked her for her amazing efforts. Nicola de Sousa has remained as our Secretary and Emily Blackwell will continue as Treasurer. We also welcomed new Trustees of the charity, Alison Burbage and Tracey Webb. Unfortunately nobody was able to step forward as our new Chair so this is still a vacancy within the committee. Anyone interested should email ladygrovepals@gmail.com to find out more.

What does this mean: While the charity and our fundraising for school will continue, it will be on a smaller scale as without a Chair and more volunteers we cannot organise the larger events. As a result, we are saddened to say that the Christmas Fayre will not take place this year, however we are planning a Christmas Movie Night for the children, and we will still hold the Christmas Raffle and non-uniform day. Watch this space, and our PALS newsletter for more details!

Our next event will be a "Meet PALS" evening, in the Generous George pub, Thursday 14th November at 7.30pm. Come along for a great opportunity to meet other parents, have fun and help the school and pupils in the process!

PALS Team

Appointment times for **parent meetings** have gone home today with your child. Please check their book bag for this slip. If you have not made an appointment and would like one, please speak to Sarah in the office to see what times are available as time slots are very limited. Thank you.

COMING UP...

Below is information about additional clubs running in Term 2:

Cooking Club is starting up on Thursdays and is available for children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6. There is a **maximum of 10** spaces and £10 is payable to cover the cost of food. Club starts on 7th November and ends on 5th December, 3.15pm-4.15pm. If your child would like to join this club please send in a letter or email the school office giving permission no later than 17th October. Acceptance slips asking for payment of £10 will then go home week beginning 21st October.

Cross Stitch Club will be starting up on Thursdays and is for children in Years 5 and 6. There is a maximum of 8 places and £5 is payable to cover the cost of resources. Club starts on 7th November and ends on 12th December, 3.15pm-4.15pm. If your child would like to join this club please send in a letter or email the school office giving permission no later than 17th October. Acceptance slips asking for payment of £5 will then go home week beginning 21st October.

UKLA Book Club: Mrs Clarkson is lucky enough to have been asked to be a judge for the **2019 UKLA Children's Book Award** and is now looking for budding readers from Years 5-6 to help judge the long-listed books. Participants of the group must be keen readers as the texts are quite challenging and will require in depth reviews. Mrs Clarkson will then feed this information back to the UKLA and a shortlist will be compiled. From there she will be on a panel to discuss the overall winner of the award. **UKLA Book Club** will run on Tuesdays (3.15pm-4pm) for 6 weeks starting on 5th November (ending on 10th December). This club is open to children in Years 5 and 6. If your child would like to join this club please send in a letter or email the school office giving permission no later than 17th October. Acceptance slips will then go home week beginning 21st October.

Dates next week:

Date	Activity	Time	Place	Notes
Mon 14 th Oct	Scratch Club	Lunchtime	The Library	
Tues 15 th Oct	Yr 5 Cycling Class 14 visit Didcot Library Library Club	Afternoon Afternoon 3.15pm-4pm	Ladygrove D. Library Library	Selected children
Weds 16 th Oct	Class 4 walk around Ladygrove Class 9 visit Didcot Library Police Assembly re: Halloween/Safety Girls Football Club	Morning Morning 1pm 3.15pm-4.15pm	Ladygrove D. Library Hall Class 15	Remember football kit – LAST SESSION
Thurs 17 th Oct	Class 8 visit Didcot Library Class 5 walk around Ladygrove Stemillions Club Yr 1 Mystery Reader Yr 4 Tudor Assembly FS Cake Crumbly Choir Club Wildlife Gardening Club	Morning Morning Lunchtime 2.40pm 2.30pm 3.10pm 3.15pm-4.15pm 3.15pm-4.15pm	D. Library Ladygrove Year 1 Hall Courtyard Class 13 Class 9	Parents invited Don't forget to bring in cakes to sell Club not running this week
Fri 18 th Oct	Sketch Club	Lunchtime	The Library	

Term Dates 2020/2021: Early warning- we have moved one of our Inset days for next academic year, so if you have already downloaded or picked up a copy of next academic year's dates please discard. Below are the new dates for the next academic year 2020/2021

TERM	Dates	
Term 1	Tuesday 1 st September 2020 Wednesday 2 nd September 2020 Thursday 3 rd September 2020 Friday 23 rd October 2020	INSET INSET Term 1 starts Term 1 ends
Term 2	Monday 2 nd November 2020 Friday 18 th December 2020 (finish at 1.15pm)	Term 2 starts Term 2 ends
Term 3	Monday 4 th January 2021 Tuesday 5 th January 2021 Friday 12 th February 2021	INSET Term 3 starts Term 3 ends
Term 4	Monday 22 nd February 2021 Wednesday 31 st March 2021 (finish at 1.15pm)	Term 4 starts Term 4 ends
Term 5	Monday 19 th April 2021 Monday 3 rd May 2021 Friday 28 th May 2021	Term 5 starts BANK HOLIDAY Term 5 ends
Term 6	Monday 7 th June 2021 Tuesday 20 th July (finish at 1.15pm)	Term 6 starts Term 6 ends

Oxford Reading Buddy – New Online Subscription provided by school

The school has bought into an online reading platform called Oxford Reading Buddy, courtesy of PALS funding. Your child will have been provided with a username and password so that they can log in to the reading platform at school and at home.

Oxford Reading Buddy is a digital reading service that supports each child's personal reading journey, motivates them to succeed, and provides their teachers with valuable insights into their attainment and development.

Oxford Reading Buddy includes:

- **Coaching eBooks** that contain a personalised 'Reading Buddy' who models key comprehension strategies, supporting children as they read
- An extensive **eBook library**
- **Comprehension quizzes** that are carefully matched to each eBook
- Progression for every child that is underpinned by the expertly devised **Oxford Levels** system, ensuring every child is reading at the appropriate level for their needs
- Detailed **progress reports** and data to support teachers with insights into each child's attainment and reading development, so they can quickly pinpoint where extra support is needed
- An in-built **reward system**, where children gain badges as they progress in their reading, building motivation into every step of their reading journey

Your child's class teacher will provide regular opportunities for your child to use Oxford Reading Buddy in school. At home, school expects children to be logging in to Oxford Reading Buddy on a regular basis however, they do not expect the online platform to detract from reading other reading material.

If you have any questions about how to use or access the platform, then please speak to your child's class teacher.

School Photographs are being taken on Monday 21st October. Children will have an individual photo taken and also together with any siblings. Proofs will go home on the day and deadline dates for orders will be Tuesday 5th November. Any late orders will incur a late payment charge.

NOTICES ...

BREXIT – If you are EU, EEA or Swiss citizen you will need to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme to continue living in the UK after 2020. Please read the guidance on [EU Settlement Scheme](#) to find out who needs to apply. If your application is successful, you'll [get either settled or pre-settled status](#)

Irish citizens' right to live in the UK will not change when the UK leaves the EU. Irish citizens do not need to apply for the EU Settlement Scheme, but their family members, who are not Irish or British citizens, will need to.

Fees: It's free to apply to the scheme.

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.

REMEMBER..... Term 1 ends on **THURSDAY 24th October**. School finishes at normal time. Term 2 starts on Monday 4th November.

Andrew Markham and the school team

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

LAST CHANCE TO BOOK

Deadline Monday 14th October!



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

**WALLINGFORD SCHOOL
LEISURE CENTRE (OX10 8HH)**

MULTISPORT CAMP

(For children age 4 to 13 years)

**Tuesday 29 October
Wednesday 30 October
Thursday 31 October**

9.30am to 4.30pm

Extra time available from 8.30am to 5.30pm

£32 per day

£90 for all 3 days

Sibling discount £27/£80

FOCUS ON...WORKSHOPS

(For children age 7 to 13 years)

**Tuesday - Drama
Thursday - Halloween Cake Decorating**

9.30am - 3.00pm

Extra time available from 8.30am to 5.30pm

£35 per workshop



**LADYGROVE PARK PRIMARY
SCHOOL, DIDCOT (OX11 7GB)**

MULTISPORT & ACTIVITY CAMP

(For children age 4 to 13 years)

**Friday 25 October
Monday 28 October
Tuesday 29 October
Wednesday 30 October**

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

£35 full day (9.30 - 4.30pm)

Extra time available from 8.30am to 5.30pm

Choose the workshops required from the schedule below -

	AM SESSION 9.30am - 12.30pm		PM SESSION 1.30pm - 4.30pm	
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 (KS1)	MULTISPORT & CRAFT (KS1 & KS2)	MULTISPORT & CRAFT (KS1 & KS2)	
WEDNESDAY 30 OCTOBER	MULTISPORT & CRAFT (KS1 & KS2)		LIGHT UP JARS (KS1 & KS2)	MULTISPORT & CRAFT (KS1 & KS2)