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LPPS Newsletter

Year 6 run the 'Mini Marathon'

Last year more than 100,000 children took part in the Virgin Money Giving Mini London Marathon in schools. This year, they are aiming to inspire 500,000 children to finish the event between Monday 27 September and Friday 22 October.

To complete the event, children needed to run/jog/walk 2.6 miles (all at once or over as many days as it takes).

Year 6 did this in one go on the afternoon of Tuesday 12 October!

One mile is 8 laps of our field. 2 miles is 16 laps. 0.6 laps would then be 3/5 of 8 more laps.... round up to 5 laps. So, the children ran/jogged/walked a total of 21 laps to successfully complete this. We were extremely proud of their enthusiasm for this and their support for each other. They really were good collaborators in this event!

Pictures on our blog. *Year 6 Team*

Tommy in Class 2, yes, Class 2, competed in his final round on his Oset (electric) motorbike in the South Midlands Oset Cup Trials Championship 2021 last weekend. This was held in Hertfordshire. He placed 2nd on the day and managed to earn enough points over the rounds to finish the championships in 2nd place overall. Congratulations Tommy!

This week's assemblies finalised the initial focus on our school vision with emphasis on 'Thinkers' - the last of the three key words: 'Thinkers, Collaborators, Role Models'. We covered the basics of learning, then moved on to metacognition and neurodiversity (including the different ways that people think).

Year 5 have been sending in their applications for Peer Mentor this week. Next week the Year 6 Peer Mentors will help me to choose the new Year 5 Peer Mentors.

If you download our **mobile app called 'School Jotter'** you will get alerts as soon as school information is available, including this newsletter and reminders. Details on how to download our app are on our website under the 'communications' tab, 'newsletters' or search for 'School Jotter' on your phone.

COMING UP...

Term 2 – Clubs after school. Parents have been notified via ParentPay of clubs that are on offer for their child's year groups. We have been inundated with email requests for children to join clubs and as we have limited spaces available if your child is not able to join their chosen club next term, there will be other opportunities to do so later in the year. Notifications via ParentPay will go home next week. **Please note the clubs highlighted in blue are now starting in term 3.**

Deadline for requests is Monday 18th October, 9am.

| | Clubs | Timings | Year Group | Venue | Member of Staff | Start Date |
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| Tuesdays | Netball | 3.15pm-4.15pm | Year 6 | 15 | Carly Clarkson/Jo Davies | 2 nd Nov |
| | Computing | 12.30-1pm | Year 4 | Library | Andrew Markham | 2 nd Nov |
| | Film | 3.15pm-4.15pm | Year 2 | 6 | Emily Cackett/Katy Manthorpe | 2 nd Nov |
| | Arts & Crafts | 3.15pm-4.15pm | Year 3 | 9 | Amber Parsons-Boler | 2 nd Nov |
| Wednesdays | Board Games | 3.15pm-4.15pm | Year 1 | 4 | Lucy Stott | 3 rd Nov |
| | Drawing | 3.15pm-4.15pm | Year 1 | 5 | Jo Hicks | 3 rd Nov |
| | Football | 3.15pm-4.15pm | Year 5 | 12 | Ashley Francis | 3 rd Nov |
| | Drama | 3.15pm-4.15pm | Year 4 | 10 | Jade Irving Gordon | 3 rd Nov |
| | Arts & Crafts | 3.15pm-4.15pm | Year 6 | 15 | Sarah Coleman | 11 th Jan 2022 |
| | Computing | 3.15pm-4.15pm | Year 6 | 14 | Claire Shorrocks | 11 th Jan 2022 |
| Thursdays | Arts & Crafts | 3.15pm-4.15pm | Year 2 | 7 | Katy Manthorpe | 4 th Nov |
| | Girls in STEM | 12.30-1pm | Year 5 | Library | Elaine Li-Koo | 4 th Nov |

Parents' Evenings: Parents will have received an email from your child's classteacher, inviting you to a virtual parent meeting before the end of term. If you have not received an email, please contact the school office.

School Photographs: Reminder, on Monday 18th October, Tempest Photography will be in school taking individual and family photographs. Children need to be in school uniform for the photos. This means that any classes having Forest School or PE on that day should come to school with uniform AND the change of clothes. Teachers will tell their classes which clothes to arrive in school wearing- depending on when the photos are taken in the day.

Reminder: **Year 4 Tudor day** - On Thursday 21st October year 4 will be having a Tudor day. Children are invited to come into school wearing a Tudor outfit. Please do not feel you need to buy costumes and let the Year 4 team know if you need help with ideas for homemade costumes. On the day we will be creating a traditional Tudor dish, performing our Tudor dance which the children have been working on in PE this term and much more. If you have any questions, please email the Year 4 class teachers.

NOTICES ...

We received one nomination for a Parent Governor from Sam Drew so there is not a need for an election. We are delighted and thankful that Sam is happy to continue as a Parent Governor for Ladygrove Park Primary School.

Covid update: We send an Inform Letter to classes whenever we are told of a positive case in the class. This week has been settled for pupils with only one new positive. The pressure has been on us for staffing this week with some periods of isolation while LFDs were checked. Classes are also informed of this.

Year 6 Parents: If you haven't done so already, please remember to apply online for your child's secondary school place for September 2022. The deadline date for this is 31st October. 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>

Schools With Families Together training programme for parents of children with autism

Thank you to Parents who have expressed interest in the SWiFT course, which was explained in last week's newsletter. We have enough parents to make the course viable and there is room for a few more.

If you are interested but haven't yet told us, please contact the school office.

I have arranged to discuss this with the advisory teacher next half term. We will then make a decision on dates according to her availability.

Carol Turner, SENDCo



What is it?

SWiFT is a training programme for schools developed by the Communication and Interaction Service (C&I).

SWiFT provides the opportunity for schools to:

- Learn more about the children they support
- Promote a consistent approach across home and school
- Guide parents/carers through practical strategies they can use with their children
- Direct parents/carers to relevant resources
- Give parents/carers the opportunity to meet with other parents who have had similar experiences and to gain support and learn from each other

Who is it for?

Parents/carers who have a child on the autism spectrum or who has communication and interaction needs.

What does it cover?

SWiFT consists of four Modules that explore key aspects of autism, development and learning. Each Module has activities, films, key resources and strategies.

Module One: Understanding Autism

Module Two: Social Communication

Module Three: Sensory Processing

Module Four: Emotional Wellbeing

We are currently keeping these timings but will communicate any changes as much in advance as possible.

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| Reception 9am drop off 2.50pm pick up | Years 1, 3 & 5 8.40am drop off 3pm pick up | Year 2, 4 & 6 8.50am drop off 3.10pm pick up |
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After School Club finishes at 5.30pm

Next week is our last week of term 1. Please remember that **school finishes on Thursday 21st October at normal time**. School is closed on Friday 22nd October as it is a staff INSET training day. Term 2 starts on Monday 1st November.

Andrew Markham and the school team

Messages from PALS

Today was PALS 'Wear a Sports Shirt to School Day!' **THANK YOU** to everyone who donated this morning for our Sports Shirt fundraiser, to raise money for new goal posts. Monies will be counted over the weekend!

If you haven't donated but would like to, you can scan the QR code to pay online. Funds raised at this event are to pay for new goal posts for the field.

Half Term "Fund-Raisin"

Next week we will be giving every child a small box of raisins to take home, all we ask is that they return it after half term containing some coins instead of raisins! Any donation, big or small is welcome - this money will be used to contribute to getting the playground markings refreshed and new paintings done.

All the children have produced artwork which can be made into Christmas cards and other festive items. Click on the link to view and order.

<https://mychildsart.co.uk/order/parent-portal/login/> Username: LadygrovePark Password: WZs86sg2

Many thanks from the PALS team 😊



Scan to pay



Message from Didcot Girls School: We are currently recruiting for several support staff roles including, Teaching Assistant, Cleaners, Exam Invigilators, Counsellor and a Work Experience Coordinator. I wonder whether you might be good enough to mention this in your parent bulletin this week and include the link below to our website: [Didcot Girls' School Staff Vacancies](#)

We have exciting news! Our Free Half Term Family Activities linked to our NEW Mechanicals Exhibition!

Moving Mechanical Makes! Check out our Website... [Children's activities at The Oxfordshire Museum | Oxfordshire County Council](#)

Tuesday 26th October: Push and Pull (2-4pm)

- Join us to make a moving picture based off the new mechanical exhibition

Get your family ticket today! (Up to 3 Children). All children must be accompanied by an adult.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/176207339897>

Wednesday 27th October: Kool Kaleidoscopes (11-3pm)

- Use inspiration from the mechanicals exhibition to create the coolest of Kaleidoscopes!

Get your family ticket today! (Up to 3 Children). All children must be accompanied by an adult.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/176236858187>

Thursday 28th October: Mini Mechanics (2-4pm)

- Watch your creations balance and fly with inspiration from the great outdoors and our new mechanicals exhibition.

Get your family ticket today! (Up to 3 Children). All children must be accompanied by an adult.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/176274260057>

We also have a new Mechanical Trail for you to enjoy. Why not come to the Oxfordshire Museum this Half Term!

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<https://twitter.com/oxonmuseum>

Visit The Oxfordshire Museum, Woodstock – It's FREE!

**OCTOBER HALF TERM
ACTIVITY CAMP**

Come join us to learn new skills, make new friends and have fun!

**All Coaches are Experienced,
Qualified and Insured**

**Monday 25 October
to Friday 29 October
(5 days)**

**Wallingford
Sports Park
(OX10 9RB)**

9.30am to 4.30pm
Extra time of 8.30am to 5.30pm
available - charges apply

£34 per day
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