

This week...

Year 6 Maths Challenge

Four mathematicians from Year 6 took part in a maths challenge at St Edward's school in Oxford this week. The teams of two raced other schools to complete complex problems - challenging themselves in arithmetic, geometry and algebra. 21 schools from across the county took part. A big congratulations to Dhruv, Kyle, Metehan and Sammie for taking part.



Curriculum Information Evening

Thank you to everyone who could make time to attend our Curriculum Parent's Evening this week. We had almost 40 families represented. The teachers spent a few weeks working hard on this content, ensuring that you were provided with a better sense of what it's like for your child being taught at school but also how you can help at home. For those who **were** able to attend [here is the 3 question survey](#) which will help us tailor the next event. Or you can paste this text into your browser: ladygrove-park.feedback/curriculum.

For those who were not able to attend, please do look on our [school website](#) for the presentations and handouts to help support learning at home with phonics, reading comprehension, reading for pleasure, maths number fluency, mathematical reasoning and problem solving as well as mental health and wellbeing. Paper copies are available in the school office.

Flu Immunisations

We had a very successful uptake this year for the flu nasal spray. If your child had a vaccination yesterday, you would have received an email confirming a vaccine has been given to your child.

If you had completed a consent form but your child was unable to be vaccinated, you will receive an email which will provide a link to book an appointment online to receive the flu vaccination at a catch-up clinic. Only children who are at high risk from flu, due to one or more medical conditions are able to have this vaccination at their GP surgeries.

If you did not provide consent and wish to book an appointment for your child at a catch up clinic, you can book for the vaccination to be given in a community clinic through the Immunisation Team website at

<https://www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/imms>

Remembrance

All children and staff paid their respects today at 11am in a lovely service of remembrance. Mrs Fowkes played 'The Last Post' on her bugle, followed by some reflective poems read by Bailey, Amelia, Rosie and Harrison. We ended the service with a beautiful song sung by Lucy.



Assembly

This week's assembly was, of course, about Remembrance. We explained Armistice Day and how this became Remembrance Day including the symbol of the poppy.

Pupil Responsibility Groups

This week the Eco Development Team have been working on posters to go up around school. They will encourage everyone to be mindful about electricity and water use, as well as helping out with litter.

The Diversity Ambassadors have been finishing their introduction slides ready to deliver an assembly next week. Next they will be moving on to doing an analysis of the range of languages spoken at our school.

Dates for the term ahead...

Christmas Lunches

If you would like your child to have a Christmas Lunch on their elected day (see dates below), please complete this form by Friday 18th November - <https://forms.gle/84Lv2wJsHUEdtpQz8>. Late orders cannot be catered for as a food order must be placed by Monday 21st November. **Please note on the days that your child is not having a Christmas meal, you MUST provide a packed lunch as the kitchen is unable to cater for a paid meal.**



Tuesday 15th November	FS & Y1 Drama Workshop (in school)
Wednesday 16th November	Year 6 Oxford Museum of Natural History Trip - <i>please make payment on ParentPay</i>
Tuesday 22nd November	Year 5 Woodstock Museum Trip - <i>please make payment on ParentPay</i>
Saturday 26th November	PALS Christmas Market, 2-4pm
Monday 12th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Foundation Stage Sing Song to Parents and Carers - 9amFS Christmas Lunch - ALL OTHER YEAR GROUPS REQUIRE PACKED LUNCH
Tuesday 13th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Year 1 Christmas Sing Song to Parents and Carers - 9amYears 1 & 2 Christmas Lunch - ALL OTHER YEAR GROUPS REQUIRE PACKED LUNCH
Wednesday 14th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Years 3 & 4 Christmas Lunch - ALL OTHER YEAR GROUPS REQUIRE PACKED LUNCH
Thursday 15th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Year 2 Christmas Production to Parents and Carers - 9am and 2pm. Tickets required - keep an eye out in next week's newsletter for more info.Years 5 & 6 Christmas Lunch - ALL OTHER YEAR GROUPS REQUIRE PACKED LUNCH

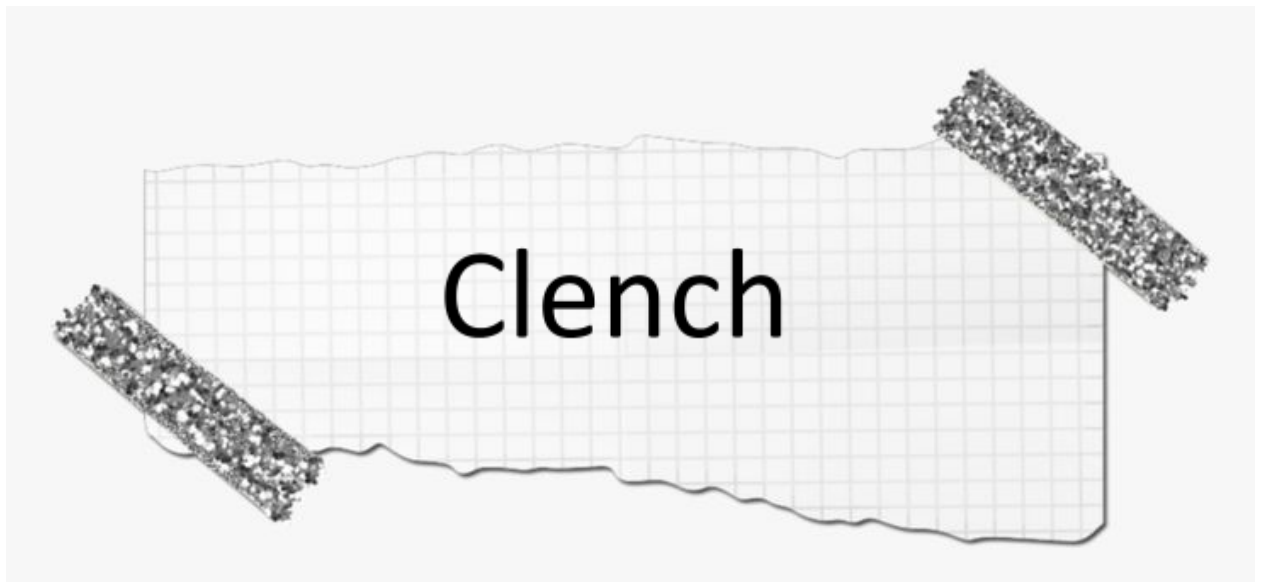
Notices



Word of the Week Times Table of the Week	Please see below for this week's Word of the Week and Times Table of the Week!
Individual Photos	If you ordered a school photo, these were sent home this week with your child. Please note that there may be some late orders, please speak to the school office if you have any queries.
Sickness and Absence	<p><i>We have completed our standard analysis of attendance for every child in school for last half term. This involves monitoring any personal circumstances around absence. Following this year's raised expectation from the government around attendance, we will be sending attendance reminder letters out to some families, especially if their child's attendance is below 90%. These should be viewed as a prompt to support or improve the children's attendance.</i></p> <p>A reminder to notify the office every day of your child's absence. Please either email office.2609@ladygrove-park.oxon.sch.uk or call to leave a message on 01235 519235 by 9am. Clearly state your child's full name, class and the specific reason for absence (including the symptoms of the illness).</p> <p>Please note that if your child is ill for 3 days or more, ensure to consult your GP and to inform the school of the outcome.</p> <p>For further information, please see our Attendance Policy on our website.</p>
Trip Payments	<p>We are finding that an increasing number of trips are not being paid for. Trips are planned to enhance topic work and we ask parents to pay a voluntary contribution towards this. We work out the cost of each trip to the penny, so if payments are not made, there is a risk of the trip being cancelled if we do not have enough contributions to cover expenses. We would be grateful if you please log into your ParentPay account to check that you are up to date with any contributions.</p> <p>Year 5 & 6 - A gentle reminder to continue to keep up with payments for the Kilvrough residential. Please contact the school office with any payment queries.</p>
PALS	<p>Christmas Market, Saturday 26th November, 2-4pm</p> <p>Come along to the school courtyard to start your Christmas shopping, enjoy some mulled wine and refreshments, and of course visit Santa! We have a fantastic selection of local sellers - from Christmas wreaths to Christmas crafts to artwork and clothing, Chocolate for Chocoholics, The Body Shop and more - there really is something for everyone! Tickets for Santa must be pre-booked, to find out more use link https://bit.ly/visitsanta2022</p> <p>We need you! If you can spare an hour of your time (2-3pm or 3-4pm) and are able to help on any of our stalls we would love your help. Please email the team or keep an eye out on our PALS Facebook page where we will be collecting names of willing helpers and elves!</p>
School Admissions Reminder	<p>Admissions to Primary School (Academic Year 23/24): If your child was born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019 (inclusive), you need to apply for a primary school place for September 2023. You will be able to apply on-line from 1st November 2022. Please visit www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions for further information. NB The deadline line date for online applications is 15th January 2023.</p> <p>Please remember the following:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is the responsibility of parents/carers to apply for a school place by the

	<p>deadline of 15 January 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. <p>Click on this link for easy access to OCC website https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/apply-school-place</p>
STEM	<p>Coming to Didcot - an exciting STEM event: a free screening of <i>Star Makers - The energy of tomorrow</i>. Tickets for this event on 29 November at 1600 and 1830 at the Cornerstones Arts Centre, Didcot have now been released: https://www.cornerstone-arts.org/whats/star-maker-energy-tomorrow</p> <p>Star Makers is an inspiring documentary that was filmed in the run-up to last year's record fusion energy experiments conducted at JET, a European experiment hosted by UKAEA in Culham, and follows researches and engineers on their endeavours to realise the record. After the film there will also be a Q&A session where you will be able to ask questions to the main persons featured in the film. This will be a great opportunity to learn about the fascinating research on a green, almost limitless energy source taking place almost literally on our doorstep. Suitable for adults, secondary school children and year 6. You can watch the trailer of the (U rated) documentary here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FeKzQccOngM</p>
Messy Church Event at the Ladygrove Community Centre	<p>The Ladygrove Church is running another Messy Church event this Saturday, 19th November 3.00-5.00pm, this time celebrating the United Nations World Children's Day.</p> <p>It will have all the usual stuff – craft activities, a song, a story and food. It's free though donations are welcome. You can find out more about it at www.theladygrovechurch.org.uk/church-life/messy-church</p>

Word of the Week

for Key Stage 1





 Meaning	 Challenge
Holding tightly because you are angry.	Clench your fists and your jaw to make a face to go with how you might be feeling.

Word of the Week

for Key Stage 2



 Meaning	 Challenge
You are really, really happy and excited.	You were euphoric after watching a match. What happened in the match?

If you know one of these facts, what other facts can you work out?

TIMES TABLE OF THE WEEK!

How many ways can you represent each fact?

$$2 \times 4 = 8$$

8			
2	2	2	2



$$4 \times 2 = 8$$

8	
4	4

$$8 \div 2 = ?$$

$$8 \div 4 = ?$$

Is your child 3 or 4 years old?

Primary school place – you must apply now

If your child was born on or between **1 September 2018** and **31 August 2019**, you need to apply for a primary school place now.

You must still apply even if your child already attends a nursery attached to the school.

Deadline for applications is **15 January 2023**.

Apply online at

**[www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/
primaryadmissions](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/primaryadmissions)**

– it's quick, easy and secure.

You can get free access to the internet at many of our libraries and children's centres – ask for details at your local facility.



For help and information:

Web: **www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/primaryadmissions**

Email: **admissions.schools@oxfordshire.gov.uk**

Tel: **0345 241 2487**



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