

Langley Fitzurse Church of England Primary School



Newsletter



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Wednesday 1 May 2019

“Amaze, Excite, Inspire”

Dear Parents,

Term 5 has certainly started with a bang! Both our dance and swimming teams have taken part in inter-school competitions, and I have been very proud of the way they have represented our school. The Great Big Dance Off was a thrilling event, and our dancers performed with enormous energy and enthusiasm, taking the crowd with them. We were not placed this time, but we are already thinking about next year!

Our swimming team excelled at the Mid Wilts Swimming Gala last Friday, and won first place! They are now through to the County Finals at Marlborough College on Wednesday 10 July, and we are looking forward to cheering them on.

I am very much looking forward to my first May Fair at school on Friday 10 May. Our maypole team have been practising hard, and are looking forward to showing us what they have learned. My thanks to Mr Howe for training them, and of course, to Amy Tayler and our PTA for organising this lovely annual event. This is Amy's last event as PTA Chair. She has been tireless and inspirational and we will miss her tremendously. Thank you Amy.

Mr Richard Hearn
Headteacher

Our Learning this week will include:

| | Maths | English |
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| Hercules | Money | 'Dear Zoo' book |
| Hercules – Phonics | | Revision |
| Pegasus | 2D & 3D shapes & revision | Norse mythology |
| Phoenix | Rounding & ordering numbers | Alphabetical texts |
| Chameleon | SATs revision | Suspense stories |

Car Sharing

In order to reduce congestion outside school at the start and end of the school day, we are keen to encourage car sharing. If you drive to school each day, and would be interested in taking part in this type of arrangement, please see Mrs Howe, who will put you in touch with like minded parents.

Year 6 Music Project with Adriano Adewale

We are very excited about this opportunity for our children to work with a professional percussionist to create and perform a new work at the Wiltshire Music Centre on **Friday 24 May**. Year 6 parents can buy tickets at a 25% discount by calling the box office on 01225 860 110 and quoting discount code ADRIANOSCHOOLS19 – but hurry as numbers are limited! The performance starts at 7.30 pm. More information will follow in a letter this week.

Lost Property

Our Lost Property box is overflowing and includes two pairs of school shoes!! Please come and have a rummage to see if any of your child's belongings are lurking in the box. To avoid lost property, please ensure that all of your child's uniform is clearly labelled.

If you have gained a black and red 'Animal' beach towel after last term's swimming lessons, please can you bring it to the School Office and we'll reunite it with its owner – thanks!

New Worship Cloth

We are very excited about a Worship Council art project to produce an all-season worship cloth for Cherry Hall. Congratulations to Esther on her winning design. She and the Worship Council will be working with local artist, Fi Redmond. Our thanks to Katherine Bloomer for initiating and managing this project. We are holding a cake sale after school on **Monday 20 May** to raise funds for it, and hope to unveil the finished article by the end of the academic year.

Calling all parents working from home!

Revd Mark Siddall of the Draycot Benefice has issued an invitation to people who work from home to get together over a light pub lunch at the Wellesley Arms in Sutton Benger to share stories and meet others in the same situation. The event is on **Thursday 9 May 2019** from 12h30-1h30pm. Please let Mark know if you are coming - drmarksid@gmail.com

Volunteering Opportunity at the Lifeskills Safety Education Centre in Bristol

Lifeskills Safety Education Centre was delighted to welcome the year 6 pupils recently. Our volunteer Guides enjoyed taking them round our interactive village, teaching them how to spot hazards and stay safe.

During their visit the children practised making emergency 999 calls, discovered and reacted to a house fire, learnt basic first aid and experienced the consequences of trespassing on a railway line – all made realistic with the use of light, sound and wind effects.

Lifeskills is totally dependent on our friendly team of volunteer Guides and School Hosts - and they need more help. If you know anyone who could spare just a few hours a month and who'd be willing to train up for these fun, unique and rewarding roles, please contact our Volunteer Co-ordinator, Sam Jury on:

t: 0117 922 4511 | e: sam@lifeskills-bristol.org.uk | w: lifeskills-bristol.org.uk

PTA News

It is that wonderful time of year again and the May Fair will soon be here! This year it will be held on **Friday 10th May**. 3:15-4:30.

Once again, we have our highly responsible year 6s taking the lead on the games stalls; including the very popular nerf guns!

We also have a very tasty cake raffle and tombola including prizes from The Langley Tap and Flamingo Paperie.

We are looking for a team of volunteers to help either set up or clear away. Please put your name on the sign up sheet if you can spare some time before or after the event to help. We are also looking for volunteers to help on refreshments so the same people aren't committed all the way through. Let's make it so everyone can enjoy the fun!

We are asking all parents to bring in at least 1 jar filled with small goodies for the children. This is for the Jam Jar raffle and it is one of the most popular stalls, so any donations for this would be very much appreciated.

Please could you also bring in a plant on the morning of the May Fair. This can either be you're your garden (if you have any seedlings spreading and want to thin them out) or purchased.

All the money raised will go towards PTA funds and all the wonderful extras that it provides the school.

This will be my last event as the Chair of the PTA and after 5 years I am full of mixed emotions. I am very proud to have been part of some great times in Langley Fitz and the PTA has offered some very rewarding moments.

I am looking forward to seeing what new and exciting direction the PTA takes in September, and will be on hand to support any changes.

Thank you to everyone, and please always remember the PTA stands for Parent and Teacher Association, this means every parent / grandparent / family member and teacher / TA is a member and every little thing makes a difference to the children of Langley Fitz.

Amy Tayler, PTA Chair amyotayler@gmail.com

Paper Letters sent out this Week

- May Fair flyer
- Little Kickers flyer – KS1
- May Mile flyer
- Water Smart leaflet

Dates for the Diary

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| Mon 6 May | May Day Bank Holiday |
| Fri 10 May | May Fair 3.15 – 4.30 pm |
| Sat 11 May | Small Schools Netball and Football Tournament at Seagry School |
| Mon 13 – Fri 17 May | SATs Week |
| Sat 18 May | Coffee Morning on Middle Common to raise funds for the RUH |
| Sun 19 May | Scarecrow Workshop in School, 11.00 to 2.00 pm Soap Box Derby, Chippenham High Street – come and cheer us on! |
| Mon 20 May | Adriano Adewale Workshop #2 with Year 6 Board of Governors' Meeting |
| Tue 21 May | Class and Leavers' Photos |
| Thu 23 May | Break Up for Half Term Year 6s rehearsing at Wiltshire Music Centre |
| Fri 24 May | TD Day Year 6 performing at WiltsMusic Centre, 7.30pm. Children arrive 4.45pm |
| Sat 25 May | Maypole Team performing at Chippenham Folk Festival, 12.30 pm |
| Mon 3 June | Back to School for Term 6 |
| Wed 5 June | Yr R 2019 New Parents' Induction Meeting, 6pm |
| Thu 6 June | Year 5 visit to Hardenhuish School Swimming starts for Years 2, 4 & 6 |
| Mon 10 June | Sports Talent Team Day 2 at Bath University |
| Wed 12 June | Yr R 2019 Induction Session 1 – pm |
| Sat 15 June | Maypole Team, Band and Choir performing at Kington Langley Scarecrow Festival, 11 am |
| Sun 16 June | Kington Langley Scarecrow Festival |
| Tue 18 June | Year 6 at Chippenham Games, Stanley Park |
| Wed 19 June | Yr R 2019 Induction Session 2 – pm |
| Fri 21 June | Fire Prevention Talks |
| Sat 22 June | Maypole Team invited to perform at Langley Burrell Fete, 1pm |
| Wed 26 June | Bag2School – bags outside school by 9am please Yr R 2019 Induction Session 3 – am and lunch Experience Eucharist at St Peter's Sheldon Drama teacher working with Phoenix Class Board of Governors' Meeting |
| Wed 3 July | Yr R 2019 Induction Session 4 – am and lunch Sheldon Drama teacher working with Phoenix Class |
| Thu 4 July | Sports Day if dry on KL Playing Fields 9.15 – 11.45 am |
| Fri 5 July | Year 6 Legoland visit |
| Tue 9 July | KS2 Production, KL Village Hall |
| Wed 10 July | Yr R 2019 Induction Session 5 – all day Sheldon Drama teacher working with Phoenix Class |
| Thu 11 July | Reserve Sports Day |
| Tue 16 July | School Concert in KL Village Hall – tba |
| Wed 17 July | Yr R 2019 Induction Session 6 – all day Moving Up Day |
| Wed 24 July | Swimming Gala at St Mary's Calne, 1.45 – 3.15 pm |
| Thu 25 July | Break Up for the Summer Holidays Teddy Bear's Picnic, 12 noon and Leavers' Service, 2.30 pm |