

Langley Fitzurse Church of England Primary School



Newsletter



Newsletter 10

Thursday 26th May 2022

"Amaze, Excite, Inspire"

Dear All,

What a fast and furious term this has been! We have been very impressed with the maturity with which our Year 6s approached their SATs, and it is lovely to hear snippets of 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat' around the school, as they practise for the performances next month.

A huge thank you to our PTA for a fantastic, record breaking May Fair last Friday! They have raised over £1,000 and this total is going up every day as more raffle tickets are sold for the Dyson vacuum cleaner. The Maypole Team gave a wonderful performance, and were a credit to Mr Howe. We are very grateful to him for giving up his time to teach these traditional dances to our children. You can watch our Maypole Team in action at the Chippenham Folk Festival on Saturday (28 May). They are performing on the Community Stage at 12.40pm.

We are ending the term on a high, with an exciting performance by our KS2 children at Malmesbury Abbey this afternoon at the Rural Schools Festival. The children have loved their two iSingPOP workshops this week—expect a high energy performance if you are coming along to watch! If you are picking up KS2 children this afternoon, please note that they may be a little late returning from Malmesbury Abbey.

Tomorrow is our Jubilee Celebration—please send your child to school in red, white, and blue or platinum. We are planning a street party style lunch, and we would like everyone to join in –no lunchboxes please. KS2 parents can pay for the lunch via the Aspens Select website. Fingers crossed for the weather!

Your children may have mentioned some strange footprints which have appeared in school this week, along with a suspicious looking egg in Pegasus Classroom. All will be revealed tomorrow morning, and we hope to amaze, excite and inspire our children!

Have a wonderful half term holiday! We look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 6 June.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Karen Winterburn
Executive Headteacher

Values in Action



'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.' Philippians 4:13

Term 5: Perseverance

This term the school value we focused on was 'PERSEVERANCE'. **Perseverance involves patience, determination and staying power.** For Christians it is closely linked to placing hope and trust in a faithful God.

The Worship Council did an excellent job in leading Collective Worship around the story of Nehemiah rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem - 'We ARE going to get the wall built!' I wonder which other Bible stories your child can remember about perseverance?

Looking back over this short but challenging term:

What has helped you not to give up?

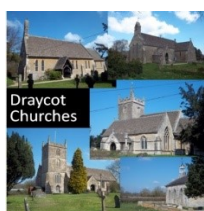
Who has helped you to keep on going? Have you thanked them yet?

A prayer for use any time:

Lord Jesus, help us to use our eyes to notice, use our ears to listen, use our voice to encourage, and use our hands to help when we see our family and friends finding it hard to persevere. Thank you. Amen.

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St Peter's Church, Kington Langley has a long and supportive relationship with **Langley Fitzurse School**. There is an open invitation to any of our services; pupils, their families, staff and governors will always receive a warm welcome.

Draycot Benefice is one church made up of 5 places of worship, offering a variety of services every month which are open to everyone. For families and children, we particularly recommend:

THIS MONTH - June 2022

You are especially invited to:

Sunday 5th June 6pm

Platinum Jubilee Service at St Peter's Church

Sunday 12th June 11am

Wild Church at Brinkworth (see poster)

Sunday 19th June 10.30am

Scarecrow Festival Service, Kington Langley

Sunday 26th June 10.30am

Holy Communion

PTA News

A big thank you to all the parent helpers and Year 6 stall holders who made our May Fair such a success! Special thanks to Adelle Rahn for the incredible celebration cakes and Charlotte Twelves for getting us a garden centre's worth of plants!

Here's the low down on which stalls made what:

Ice Cream	£ 64.00
Uniform	£ 29.00
Nerf Guns	£ 13.22
Cake Raffle	£ 98.00
Unicorn	£ 2.20
Shoot the Hoop	£ 34.30
Splat the Rat	£ 12.50
Lollipops	£ 13.60
Lucky Dip	£ 45.44
Refreshments	£278.80
Books	£ 43.00
Face Painting	£ 22.50
Jam Jars	£157.00
Plants	£145.90
Flamingo Paperie	£ 5.00

We also need to add in the profits from the Dyson raffle (thank you Nicola Wraith!) which is still ongoing. The draw will take place in the morning of **Friday 10 June** so you still have time to buy some tickets, either from the PTA before or after school, or Mrs Howe in the School Office. Tickets are £1 each and you can pay by cash or ParentMail.



Dates for your Diary—**UPDATED!**

Fri 27 May	Jubilee Celebrations at School— non uniform day —wear red, white and blue or platinum Dinosaur Visit Break up for Half Term
Sat 28 May	Maypole Team performing at Chippenham Folk Festival, 12.40pm, Community Stage
Mon 30 May—Fri 3 June	Half Term
Mon 6 June	Back to School for Term 6
Thu 9 June	Walk Safe Workshops in School
Mon 13 June	PTA Meeting via Zoom, 7pm
Tue 14—Mon 20 June	Scholastic Book Fair in School
Tue 14 June	School Concert, 6pm, Kington Langley Village Hall
Sat 18 & Sun 19 June	Kington Langley Scarecrow Festival
Tue 21 June	Years 5 & 6 to Lifepath event at Malmesbury Abbey
Wed 22 June	Bag2School Year 6 to Chippenham Games KS1 Street Dance Team performing at West Wilts KS1 Dance Festival at Bath Forum
Thu 23 June	Sports Day on Kington Langley Playing Fields, 9.30—12 noon Parents and supporters very welcome!
Tue 28 June	Phoenix Class to Music Cluster Concert at John Coles Park
Wed 29 June	KS2 Production, Kington Langley Village Hall—performances at 1.30pm and 6.00pm
Fri 1 July	Wrong Trousers Day— non uniform —raising money for the Bristol Children's Hospital Grand Appeal
Mon 4 July	Hercules Class visiting Cut the Mustard in Tetbury
Wed 6 July	School Disco from 5.30pm
Thu 7 July	Year 6 Treat School Reports sent home
Sat 9 July	Maypole Team at Langley Burrell Fete, 1pm
Mon 11 July	Pegasus Class visiting Cut the Mustard in Tetbury
Tue 12 July	Swimming Gala at St Mary's Calne 1.30-3.00 pm—parents welcome!
Wed 13 July	Moving up morning
Mon 18 July	Leavers' Service at St Peter's 2 pm followed by Leavers' Café
Tue 19 July	Last day of term
Thu 1 September	Back to school for the new academic year



Hercules Class End of Summer Term 5 Newsletter

Topic - Dinosaur Roar



Welcome to our class end of term newsletter. What a quick little term this one has been! Nevertheless it has been full of excitement from our first off site to the Jubilee Games to being visited by dinosaurs, both real and imaginary. A big thank you to all the parents who have taken time out of their day to come help out at school –THANK YOU so much for helping us to amaze excite and inspire.

This term we have been exploring dinosaurs and have been using our learning from the rainforest topic to identify them as herbivore, carnivores and omnivores. We have asked and written down lots of questions to kick start our topic, and thanks to the amazing selection of dinosaur storybooks and fact books you sent in for show and tell – we have been able to answer most of them. We had a dinosaur egg hatch in the classroom and learnt *THE DIRTY GREAT DINOSAUR* by Martin Waddell so we could write the story independently. We have been totally amazed by the children's work and how they been putting their phonics and sight words into practice without any support.



When we come back, we will start inviting our new Reception intake into school, and continue to build on our transition work with Field and Forest to allow Hercules children to get to know or become reacquainted with the Pegasus Year 1s. We are hoping to have Mrs. Nathanson teach the class to start building those important relationship with everyone.



As this is our last term together, we would like to consolidate our years learning together by practicing writing and reading their all sight words for our weekly challenge on Friday



(see Tapestry for more details). We

are also looking forward to our new outside water area equipment arriving and keeping an eye on out for our potatoes coming up in the raised beds all ready for our GROWING TOPIC. Have a wonderfully relaxing May half-term break and enjoy your Jubilee Bank Holiday weekend.

All the best from all of the Hercules Team.

End of Term 5, Pegasus Class, Roaring Dinosaurs

Term 5 saw Pegasus Class starting off with what they hadn't been able to finish in term 4 – installing the lights in our light houses. The children coped very well creating a basic electric circuit and supporting each other in doing so.

We then straightaway launched into our new topic of 'Roaring Dinosaurs'. The children researched different dinosaurs and learned about the key features of an information text before applying their skill by writing a report about their chosen dinosaur. We also learned about carnivores, herbivores and omnivores and created a dinosaur food chain. Our non-fiction writing was based around a book called 'If I had a dinosaur' and children were able to use their imagination when thinking about what they would do with their dinosaur, if they had one. Some of the children's ideas included:

- It would be a good swimmer and I would take it to the swimming pool
- It's spikes would be a climbing frame
- I would use its neck as a slide
- It would help me play football
- It would help the fire-brigade



This week we are writing a diary about the strange happenings in Pegasus Class. First there was a mess in the classroom and some footprints on the floor, then it became apparent that the sticks underneath the whiteboard actually were a nest, once some leaves, wool and feathers had been added. Today, an egg appeared! Pegasus Class is trying very hard to be quiet around the classroom in order not to disturb whatever might be inside the egg. We decided to wrap a cloth around it to keep it warm. I think there might be a big surprise in store on Friday!



One Friday morning during this term we met up with several other schools at Abbeymead for the Jubilee Games. We enjoyed lots of different activities and races.

In Art we created paper plate dinosaurs and we are very proud of the fossils we made.

In Science we have been learning about properties of different materials and we applied our knowledge when designing a dinosaur enclosure! We all agreed that a bowl made out of paper wouldn't be very suitable for a carnivorous dinosaur!



Last week Y2's showed a lot of perseverance and excellent attitude when tackling their SATs. The results combined with teacher assessment will be shared with you in their End of Year reports.

Y1 children will have a 'little taster' of tests when doing their Phonics Screening Test. Please see a separate letter in their reading folders.

Of course, we are all looking forward to celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on Friday. The crowns are ready! Please don't miss the last day!!

I hope you all enjoy all the festivities and a relaxing time with your family during the half term break.

Thanks for all your support.

Johanna Nathanson, Jo Svendsen and Christine Stables



PHOENIX CLASS END OF TERM 5 NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and Carers,

Another term draws to a close. Even though it was a short one (only five weeks), children in Phoenix class have tried hard to fit in lots of interesting learning.

The main theme has been about saving our planet. We began the term bringing together lots of ideas of how to protect our environment and conserve resources. We made posters and fact sheets. This fed into some persuasive letter writing where we wrote to the local MP about things that need to change with the way people treat the planet. Children became well versed in using features of persuasive writing such as repetition, rhetorical questions, using emotive language and clearly stating reasons and consequences of our actions. Together, we also followed the story of a plastic bag that travelled on a long journey and experienced the horrors of the Great Pacific Garbage Patch. The children really understood the impact of humans' existence on our world, and produced very thoughtful and heartfelt poems.

Phoenix and Chameleon classes have undertaken an interesting and exciting Design Technology project this term. The school contacted the Wiltshire-based company, Dyson, to request resources for a product design teaching package. We learnt about the various processes that go into creating a product, and what a Design Engineer does. We also discovered how our school term's value of Perseverance is an incredibly important aspect of what this sort of career needs every day. The children went about evaluating different products and then deciding on what they would like to create. It had to 'solve a problem'. We used mainly cardboard to construct our models, and there were many impressive results. Perhaps we have some engineers of the future here at Langley...

Our Religious Education lessons this term have been on Special and Sacred Places. The main part of our learning focussed on a visit to the local church, St Peter's. We thought about what we already knew, prepared lots of excellent questions about the church beforehand, then spent an afternoon exploring the church. We were very pleased to meet and talk with Mrs Bloomer, who answered all our questions, and kindly gave up her time to give us lots of interesting information. Children were then given an open task to show their new learning in a writing form of their choice, producing produce fact sheets, diagrams, posters, reports, and even a poem.

There has been more singing going on in Term 5 – and this is set to continue after half term, too. We have excitedly begun to learn the songs for the KS2 production of Joseph. This is going to be a fantastic show. All the children are doing well so far, but there are lots of words to learn. Any extra practice at home would be great. KS2 have also been involved in a concert in Malmesbury Abbey organised by iSingPOP, a singing and performing project connected with Collective Worship in schools. We learnt a number of different songs and performed alongside other local schools. Well done, everybody! In addition, Phoenix has already worked with a visiting teacher and song writer through Wiltshire Music Connect to prepare some music for a concert we will be part of in John Cole's park at the end of June. Lots to look forward to.

Many thanks for all your support with the children and their learning and I wish you a pleasant half term.

Kind regards

Mr Osler, Mrs Mungham and Mrs Pym



iSing
POP



Our Oceans
Some are clean
Some are full of
rubbish
What would you
say if you live there?
It all ends up in
the sea
Rubbish
rubbish.
We need to stop before
it is too late.

CHAMELEON CLASS END OF TERM 5 NEWSLETTE



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a short but totally packed term for Chameleon class!

Our topic work has been around our world and climate change. The children have come up with some super ideas to fundraise for the charity 'Bin Twinning'. We are looking forward to continuing this next term as our new topic also looks at climate change.

In D.T, we received some resources from Dyson including one of their fans. We learned that the fan was designed when engineers considered the problem with traditional electric fans – they are hard to clean and the spinning blades can be unsafe. The children thought about problems with other items and how they could design a product to solve the problem, and had great fun creating their ideas from cardboard!

The Year 6s worked incredibly hard on their SATs tests and we are really proud of them! They all tried really hard and we were so impressed with their calm and positive attitudes.

Chameleon classroom has been full of singing since SATs week, with production rehearsals in full swing and our 'I Sing POP' workshop and trip. Thank you for all of your help with learning songs – I am told that some children are even singing in their sleep!



May Fair was a hit as always – a huge thanks to everyone involved in organising it! Our year 6s loved being able to run their own stalls and the year 5s were given an extra chance to take part in may poling thanks to the brilliant Mr Howe.

Next term is sure to be a busy one, with Y6 transition visits, production, sports day, the swimming gala and plenty of leavers' activities! PE will be on Wednesdays and Thursdays, except for the very first week back. (For the first week, we will have our last swimming lesson on Friday and therefore no PE on Wednesday.)

The children have been set SPaG and TTrackstars homework which is due after half term – if they were super quick, they may have already handed it in! They also need to learn their songs off by heart so that we can start thinking about staging next term.

As ever, please feel free to get in touch with any questions or concerns. You can catch me on the school gate or email chameleon@lfssq.wilts.sch.uk. We hope you have a super break and enjoy the bank holiday!

Mrs Webster & Mrs Flynn

Summer Sundays Open Days 2022

at Sevington Victorian School

2.00 – 5.00pm

Wiltshire's best kept secret

June 12th

July 17th

August 14th

Sevington School is a beautifully preserved Victorian village school set in the heart of the Wiltshire countryside, 4 miles from J17 on the M4, close to Chippenham and Castle Combe.

Experience and tour the authentic Victorian school room, school mistress's house and level access gardens.

Enjoy home made teas

Children's activities available

Admission: adults £2, children £1, families £5



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Bath ^{ooooo}community
Gospel Choir

Launching the 2022 Kington Langley Scarecrow Festival

Friday 17th June at 7.30pm

St Peter's Church,
Kington Langley

Including refreshments

£5 per person

*Tickets from the School Office,
Andrea Grafton, Tom Stables or PCC members*