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A word from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

Welcome to the last issue of Roundabout for this academic year and what a year it has been! It hasn't been dull for a single second that is for sure.

There have been huge positives for the school in so many areas. We have put on lots of performances once again and the overall standard that the children attain in these continues to rise. Similarly we have had lots of success with sports as varied as Sailing, Rugby, Climbing, Golf, Netball and Football to mention just a few.

We are also quietly pleased with our academic performance in the National Tests despite the difficulties that all schools have experienced with the Department for Educations overall organisation. I will write about this in more detail in September but the headline is that we are 11% ahead of the National average in all subjects at the end of Year 6 with our Year 2 children also achieving well. The children deserve a great deal of credit for this as they have achieved well despite a climate of almost constant change. I would also like to thank all of our staff for working so hard and for helping the school to have another successful year. They really are a very professional and committed team.

With that I will wish you all a very pleasant Summer and hope that the sun shines. We will look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 5th September.

Kind Regards

Simon France

Head Teacher



To this month's Merit Award winners

Amy Wilkins
Joshua O'Neill
Kai Bullen
Harry Frame
Amie Dempster
Rhiannon Hobby
Lucas Easton
Lauren Gosling
Olivia Bevis
Callum Mayes
Mollie Gregg
Juno Wood
Benjy Lawrence
Bonnie Bowman
Isabelle Downes
Darcy Cooper
Taylor Winterborne
Myah Denmark
Mia-Rose Dominey
Harvey Masterman
Mia Gillard
Eva Riddell
Leo Burt
Cameron Taylor
Leah Wood

Evie-Mae Jarvis
Sonny Ward
Emilia Clark
Ruby-Mae Trim
Olivia Hill
Anna Rixom
Morgan Jones
Eva Henry
Abigail Jones
Molly Browne
Lola White
Lilly Flinter
Oscar Potter
Jasmine Scott
Amelia Evans
Zaide Cooper
Emily Riches
Isobel Gillingham
Darcey Brewer
Thomas Schofield
Harry Robson
Michael Forkin
Jenson Stanton
Willow White
Noah Goble

Kiki Hernandez
Lily Ward
Molly Doig
Jamie Wyatt
Lilly Hill
Chloe Flippance
Elliott Jeffery
Ella Davies
James Harington
George Cooper
Oliver Ensby
Maisie Dennes
Millie Morton
Lauren Gosling
Lorena Selby
Frazer Sampson
Lily D'Arcy-Wykes
Michaela Smith
Riley Ward
Sophie Mills
Owain Bartlett
Amy Bullen
Layla Ireland
Macie Cailles
George Martin

Trinity Burbidge
Macie Cailles
Poppy Wood
Billy King
George Leaton
Sebastian Richards
Fletcher Murray
Owain Bartlett
Charlotte Coe
Teagan-Maria White
Ben Jones
Isobel Gillingham
Amelia Sibley
Michaela Smith
Lola White
Martha Wood
Erin Gray
Erin Triggs
Scarlett Pritchard
Gabiella Stone
Matilda Wood
Jasmine Gregg
Leila Snooks
Amelia Thynne
Sean Waters

Martha Vujicic
Scarlett Tanner
Eva May Hampson
Josh O'Neil
Taylor Read
Una Flinter Neville
Holly Evans
Finley Girdler
Talula McCourt
George Percy
Lucy Bagg
Lucas Sibley
Freddie Carter
Gabielle Bartholomew
Sophie_Anne Salmon
Katherine Crickmore
Rebecca Sepkes-Jones
Scarlett Dillon-White
Gypsie-Skye Bowman
Lizzie Tomlinson-Mynors
Gabielle Bartholomew
Rebecca Sepkes-Jones
Samuel Tomlinson-Mynors



kids the junction

student voice

For our final meeting this year, we reflected on the all of our achievements over the past year. We all decided what the best parts about being on the Student Voice were. Dress as a Teacher Day, the Marathon Challenge and the cake sale for Children in Need were clear favourites. We really enjoyed the responsibility of writing to the parents ourselves about charity events and special days. The older children on the Student Voice also enjoyed the Anti-Bullying Conference we attended and the School Pyramid meetings to share ideas with other schools. We also thought about what would make the Student Voice even better next year and some of our ideas were that we wanted to have our own stalls at the Christmas and Summer fayres and that we wanted even more responsibility when arranging events. For the full meeting minutes, please visit the Student Voice section on the LMPS website.

Love from
The Student Voice

I would like to say what a pleasure this year's Student Voice has been to work with. All of the children have contributed fantastic ideas that have been put into action and we have raised lots of money for important charities. The children who represented us outside of school did us proud. All of this could not happen without the continued support of the wonderful parents at our school, so thank you.

Mrs Murray
Every Child Matters Leader

Music

Performing at the Pyramid Music Festival

When I arrived at Lytchett Minster School I walked down to the theatre building. As soon as I got there, I rehearsed my clarinet grade 5 piece with Mrs De Garis on the stage so that I got used to playing in a different environment.

Rachel, who was going to play a solo at the concert, came with me to get a snack before we performed on stage. Gradually, the spectators arrived and the first performance was about the start.

The first performance was a song by a big group of schools: Upton Infant School, Upton Junior School, Sandford Primary School, L.M.P.S and Lytchett Minster School. We all sang a song called "We Are The World" which sounded brilliant with all the echoes and harmonies.

Lots of incredible musicians and performers went on after the choir. There was a massive variety of instruments played and also a big variety of age difference from the performers. This was the finals so Mr Painter only let the best through but he had an extremely tough decision but we were lucky to have two musicians from year 6 and one beginner from year 3. Martha, from our school, played the cello in the first round she sounded great and has rapidly improved since she has only been playing for a very short amount of time at a very young age. Once all the performers had played

or sung their hearts out in the first round, everyone had an interval to have a rest and a bite to eat.

After the interval, the choir from all the pyramid schools sung another song called "Three Little Birds" this song lightened everyone's mood. It also sounded great with all the echoes and harmonies from all the different schools. I had to rush from the choir to get my clarinet because I was next! I was extremely nervous but I knew it didn't really matter if I went wrong because no one would get angry or upset with me. When I started playing I was very nervous, but as I got into it I was fine and I played as well as I could. Everyone said that I sounded amazing so I was proud of myself. After I played lots of great musicians played after me.

When all the finalists had performed, the Lytchett Minister Jazz Band decided to play some brilliant pieces for us to enjoy whilst the judges were confirming their decisions. When the band had played their great songs and the judges had made their decisions it was time for the results. We were extremely lucky to get good results and Rachel came runner up to me and I came first, so we were both extremely proud and Martha was brilliant as she came runner up from a musician from a different school. he day turned out very successful for all of us and we can't forget to congratulate all pupils in our school that volunteered in the terrific choir. Well done everyone!

By Josie Spring
Year 6 Pupil



Click on the icon
to go to that class's
dedicated web page



Top Row (left-right): Ladybird, Honeybee, Dragonfly, Butterfly, Skylark, Nightingale, Woodpecker, Kingfisher, Puffin.

Bottom Row (left-right): Swan, Osprey, Buzzard, Kestrel, Merlin.



GOVERNORS' CORNER

Despite the weather making it feel more like October than July, I do believe we have reached the end of another school year!

It has been another successful year for our school, not resting on its laurels in the wake of Ofsted. It is really pleasing to see yet again how, during a very busy academic schedule, there is still time for all the little extras throughout the year. School trips for all the year groups, participation in the *Manor Mile*, *PGL for Year 6*, and this year's school musical '*The Boy in the Dress*'. By the time this goes to print we will hopefully also have completed all elements of Sports Day. KS2 track events are due in the afternoon of Monday 18th July. Having helped present medals to the winners in KS1,

I am impressed by the levels of enjoyment and positive attitude shown by all the children no matter which event they took part in.

As can so often be expected after a very successful Ofsted inspection, we have a number of leavers among the staff this year. Mr Long, Mr Smith, Mrs Knowles, Mrs Tobias, Mrs Thomas, Miss O'Conner and Mrs Goss are all leaving us to take up new roles of a variety of description. On behalf of the Governing Body I wish them good luck in their new ventures, please know you will all be sorely missed.



Our new appointments are Mr Burton, Mrs Odgers, Miss Horlock, Miss Mecher and Mrs Porter. We look forward to getting to know them all and welcome them to LMPS. In addition to this Mrs Foster will be going on maternity leave at the end of this term, we wish her all the best and look forward to hearing news of her baby once it arrives.

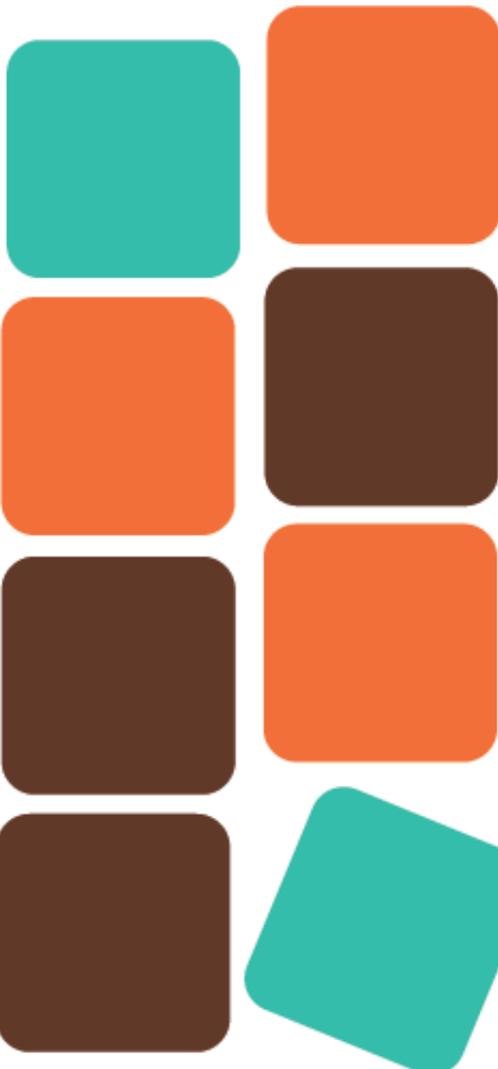
Finally, I must not forget our Year 6 children who, as I am writing this have only got 6 more days left at LMPS. I am sure there will be tears of sadness as well as possibly some tears of joy as they embark on their exciting journey to secondary school. Well done to you all for your hard work over the past 7 years, on behalf of the Governing Body I wish you all the best in your new schools.

Wishing you all a restful and fun filled holiday.

Kris Knudson

Chair of Govenors

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Lytchett Matravers

LIBRARY news

THE BIG Friendly READ



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Encouraging children to keep reading during the summer break really does help to maintain their reading levels; visiting the library and taking part in the Summer Reading Challenge can be a big part of this. We have recently been into school to tell the children all about the challenge and how they can take part and every child will receive a leaflet giving full details.

The Big Friendly Read - that is the title for the 2016 Summer Reading Challenge as we are celebrating 100 years of Roald Dahl - one of the world's favourite storytellers. To take part in the challenge children should visit the library and sign up for free. They receive a folder and then go on to collect 6 Big Friendly Read collector cards as they read or listen to any 6 library books of their choice. There is also a special mini challenge for younger children to take part in. Every child who completes the challenge will receive a medal, certificate with their name on plus a special 'Gold Ticket' for entry into a prize draw. The challenge starts on Saturday 2nd July and finishes on Saturday 10th September - so plenty of time to take part. We look forward to seeing lots of excited children at the library all eager to sign up.

To link in with The Big Friendly Read we will be running two special events.

The Big Friendly Read Fun Fest: Come along with your friends for craft, stories and games inspired by the stories of Roald Dahl.

Tuesday 26th July 3pm - 4pm

Monday 15th August 10.30am - 11.30am

Suitable ages 4 - 11 years and places

must be booked in advance please

Do encourage children to check out the Big Friendly Read website for lots of games and ideas at www.bigfriendlyread.org.uk.

Get Creative and Achieve Your Arts Award 'Discover':

Six sessions running through the summer featuring different aspects of art. If children attend a minimum of 2 sessions they should be able to complete the award. This is the third time we have run these sessions and they are very popular and can bring children a real sense of achievement.

Fri 22nd July 3.00pm - 4.00pm

Thurs 28th July 10.30am - 11.30am

Tues 2nd August 3.00pm - 4.00pm

Mon 8th August 10.30am - 11.30am

Fri 19th August 3.00pm - 4.00pm

Thurs 25th August 10.30am - 11.30am

Suitable for ages 7 - 11 years and places can be booked in advance

For more details please speak with a member of staff



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There will be plenty of other games and competitions happening throughout the summer holidays so call in to find out more. Young Volunteers: We are delighted that

four young people have come forward to volunteer at the library during the summer to help with the Reading Challenge and our various activities. We are pleased to welcome Chloe, Eleanor, Lydia and Tristan to our team and look forward to working with them.

Code Club: All of the children who came along to our taster sessions in June said they thought Code Club was great fun. We are running two more sessions during the summer to give even more children the opportunity to find out all about it. The brand new club will start in September. This is a fun and exciting way for children to discover computer coding.

Thursday 4th August 10am - 12 pm

Friday 26th August 4pm - 6pm

Book a 30 minute slot on one of the taster sessions

Suitable for children aged 9 - 11 years
Find out more about Code Club on their website at www.codeclub.org.uk.

May we also remind everyone that our regular events, **Rhyme Time every Monday at 2.30pm and Library Gets Lively every Saturday at 10.30am will continue throughout the holidays as usual.**

Due to the recent changes in library services as from the 27th June customers need a 4 digit PIN to use with their library card when accessing library services via the Customer Self Service machine, public computers and our online library services. This PIN can be obtained from the library counter or online at www.librarieswest.org.uk. Please also note that DVDs are now hired on a weekly basis the cost being £3 per week for premium titles (new releases marked premium title), £2.50 per week for standard titles and £1 per week for children's low cost rentals (these titles are clearly stickered).

We wish everyone a great summer and are ready to welcome lots of children to the library for the Summer Reading Challenge and remember it's fun, it's free and it's local!!

Susan, Babs and Clair
Your Library Staff





SCHOOL NEWS...

Child of Hope Workshop

Thank you to Bex from Child of Hope, who organised workshops with Year 4 and Year 5 classes, all about Uganda. Child of Hope is one of the charities we are raising money for in school.

The children had a great time, learning about the different animals that are found in Uganda. They also looked at how someone in Uganda from a slum would make a cup of tea, and compared it to how they would at home.

Well done to the groups who won the competition and got a prize from Uganda!

For more information about what the charity does please look at:

<http://www.childofhopeuganda.org/>

Child of Hope is a Christian charity producing a huge social impact for deprived children and their families in Eastern Uganda. Helping to provide free education, healthcare and welfare.



Fathers Day Stay and Play

Wow! we had such fun at our Fathers Day Stay and Play!! Thank you to all of the Dads, Granddads, Uncles (and Mums) who took the time to come along and share the afternoon with us.

Honeybee Class had so much fun trying out different sports in the hall...as well as having the football on! Ladybird Class enjoyed exploring lots of exciting activities with their grown ups. We really appreciate the support you give your children throughout the year - it really does make a difference.

Thank you!
The Reception Team

Super Dad





SCHOOL NEWS...

Thinking, Doing, Talking Science

Lytchett Matravers Primary School is participating next year in the "Thinking, Doing, Talking Science" project. It is a professional development programme for teachers with a focus on creative, practical and challenging science lessons. It was developed by Science Oxford and Oxford Brookes University. The Year 5 staff and children will be participating in this exciting scheme.

Thinking, Doing, Talking Science Stated Aims

To enhance participating teachers' skills to:

- Improve the level of conceptual challenge in primary science by the encouragement of pupils' higher order thinking
- Make links between pupils' learning in science, mathematics and literacy and so to increase the cognitive challenge throughout the curriculum

Here at Lytchett Matravers Primary School we are committed to developing our Science curriculum to include:

- Questioning skills to extend pupils' thinking about scientific ideas
- Ensure that pupils' focused and creative classroom recording in science
- Understanding of appropriate and challenging science practical work, including investigations and problem solving
- Teachers' personal science subject knowledge Links to maths & English

Using "Bright Ideas" and "Practical Prompts" from the project, it is intended to engage the children's imaginations, enabling them to make links to work covered in other topics. We want the children to be more confident in talking about scientific ideas and

share more without worrying that they might be wrong. We know that children enjoy the practical elements and the responsibility of planning it. This exciting scheme seeks to continue to develop this approach in Science here at Lytchett Matravers. We look forward to participating and will report back to parents with the latest developments as the project progresses.

Claire Dunn Science Leader



ECO Update JUNE/JULY Summer Fayre

The Eco team have been incredibly busy this month. We have worked very hard to make sure our second Eco stall was ready for the Summer Fayre.

The Eco team were very resourceful in recycling bottles into bird feeders to turning spare bottle parts into flower pots. A huge thank you to everyone who supported the Eco Team with this venture, particularly a special thank you to our Year 6 Sam, Elle, Thomas and Lucy who put a tremendous effort into the Eco stall preparations and assisting our Reception children throughout the year. Also a very special thanks to Ben, Sophie, Paul, Tom and Millie for a supper effort on manning the stall at the Summer Fayre and for making it so successful, your dedication was amazing!

Well done to James in Year 3 who very kindly donated a huge bucket of sweets for our 'Guess how many sweets in the

jar' game. The winning amount was 189 sweets and our closest winner was Daniel in Year 5. Well done Daniel, remember to brush your teeth!

Book and Plant Donations

The Eco Team would like to say a HUGE thank you to everyone who donated the beautiful books and plants that enhanced our stall. They were a huge success and has given a new lease of life to the books for lots of children to enjoy. We have also been able to revamp Reception and KS1 book corners in the classroom with the few books we had left over from the fayre. These have all been gratefully received by the children who are now busy reading some fantastic new books. Thank you.

Growing Competition

Our whole school growing competition has now come to a close and a winner (although very close) has been found. Well done Reception for your amazing growing of your peas! You have even manage to get a harvest from your plants and taste the efforts of all your hard work. Very well done to your all. The Eco Team hope you enjoy your gardening book as your prize to enhance your growing and knowledge for next year's planting.

We wish you all a lovely relaxing summer and happy growing!

From
Mrs McCabe
and The Eco Team





SCHOOL NEWS...

Reception – A Day at the Farm



We fed lots of very hungry farm animals their lunch as well as collecting eggs from the chicken coop AND we even got to have a bumpy tractor ride!! After all of our hard work, we deserved a rest and as it was lunch time we tucked into our packed lunches sitting outside in the warm sunshine. We all had such a fantastic day filled with lots of fun!



On Thursday 26th May we all hopped on board a big coach and went to Longdown Dairy Farm for the day. We had to pretend we were farmers for the day and carry out some very important duties!

Reception Team

Year 1

Visit the Sealife Centre



We all thoroughly enjoyed our trip to the Sealife Centre in June. The children had a great day learning all about the sea creatures, watching the sea lions do their tricks and touching the starfish. We learnt so much and enjoyed watching the sharks and sting rays swim above our heads in the water tunnel. We would like to say a huge thank you to the parents who came with us to help out that day.

Year 1 team



Year 2 – Avon Valley Park

We went to Avon Heath Country park and had lots of fun!

First we went to do the mini beast hunt. I had ticked off all of the mini beasts. We saw:

Then we went to the park and had a rest before we went on our next adventure. I managed to climb the wall. It was scary but fun at the same time!

Next we went on the ranger hunt with Pop. My favourite thing was when Fletcher caught the stick beetle in the bottle. He was my partner.

Thank you for letting us go to Avon Heath. Thank you for all of the people that helped us at the country park.

from Archie Martin

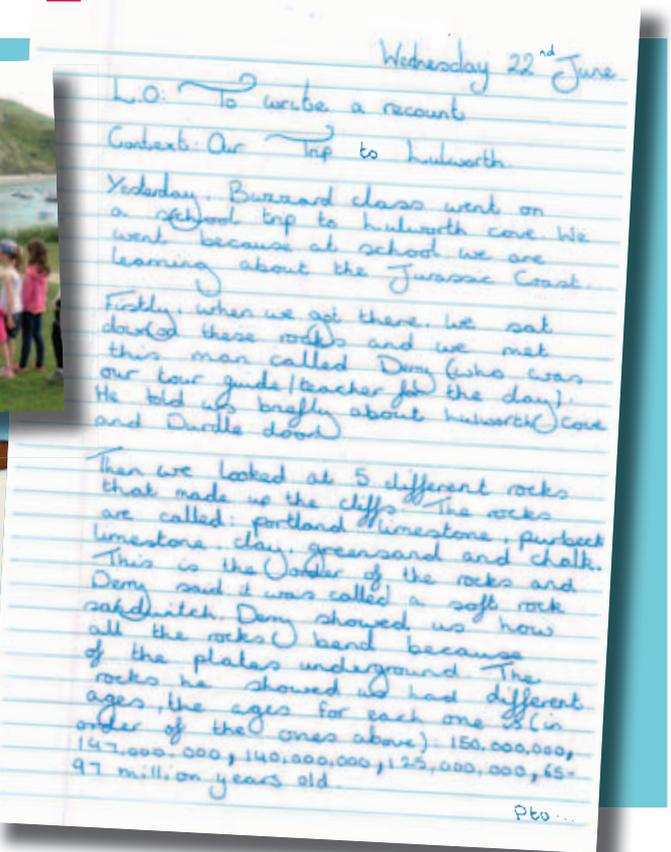
ps. We all had lots of fun!



SCHOOL NEWS...

Year 5

Trip to Lulworth Cove



PGL FUN!

The chances are that you have probably heard about the amazing 3 night school trip to PGL. It has been talked about ever since Leeson House, or maybe even before that! Commonly referred to as 'Parents Get Lost', PGL actually stands for Peter Gordon Lawrence, the man who started it all.

Each day at PGL brings a whole host of enticing new activities, delicious meals and kind staff. Each day consisted of 3 meals and 5 activities, one of which was a special evening event. The three we did were: Campfire, Capture the Flag and Disco.

There are many day activities such as: Trapeze, Abseiling, Fencing, Dragon Boat Racing, Rock Climbing and much more! Have a fear of heights? You will overcome it in hours! There will be more meal

options than you can count and the lovely PGL staff will cater to almost any allergy and religious restrictions of any kind!

Your teacher will usually restrict lights out (Bedtime) to 10:00pm in the evening and will wake you up at 7:00am! If you become ill at PGL, the teachers will cater for you well and attend your every need. If you have something bothering you on the premises, they will rush straight to your aid.

Everything I have written here I know from experience, and Year 5 children will experience it too! If you are a Year 5 parent and are worried, don't be. Your children will have a great time!

**By Sam Graham and Victoria Thompson-Purvis
Merlin Class**





SCHOOL NEWS...

Year Six Overview

We interviewed a few people from each class to see what they thought about Year 6, and this is what they said:

Their most memorable moment of Year 6 was varied; but for most it was PGL or starting year 6. However, some said it was Mrs Dominey's class, some said it was joining the school, some said it was the leaver's jumpers, and some said it was the shelters we built.

Their most fun part was usually PGL, or sometimes plays. This was agreed by everyone asked!

Their favourite part of PGL, was very varied, and included the disco, the trapeze, the dragon boating, the food, and belaying.

Their favourite plays (which could be one we made, the pantomime, or even the Shakespeare play at the library) were Scrooge, The Boy in the Dress and the Leavers assembly (which at the time this was written, wasn't even done yet!)

Although some children found SATS difficult, all children agreed that the teachers had prepared them well. They all enjoyed the breakfast club - especially the dance moves by Mr France!

Finally, their overall picture of the year was very fun, because of all the events; Scrooge, The Boy in the Dress and PGL to name a few. Although the stereotype is that school is boring, ours is really fun.

by Mina Raines, Merlin and George Sibley, Kestrel



Moving on Up

Ladybird Class will be taught by: Miss Reid, Mrs Coombs & Mrs Jones.

Honeybee Class will be taught by: Miss Barker & Mrs Davis.

See the table to your right for class movements and assigned teachers.

The staff are very excited about spending next year with their new classes and are very much looking forward to getting to know the children.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like to discuss this or any other aspect of your child's education or welfare any further.

 Ladybird	→	 Butterfly	Mrs McCabe, Mrs S. Taylor & Mrs McGrail
 Honeybee	→	 Dragonfly	Mrs Leigerwood, Miss Coombs & Mrs McGrail.
 Butterfly	→	 Nightingale	Miss Waring and Mrs McKenzie
 Dragonfly	→	 Skylark	Mrs Murray and Miss Winkworth
 Nightingale	→	 Kingfisher	Mrs Stokes, Mrs Odgers & Mrs Thomas
 Skylark	→	 Woodpecker	Mr West, Ms Hammett & Mrs C Taylor
 Kingfisher	→	 Puffin	Miss Meacher [Mrs Foster] & Mrs Porter
 Woodpecker	→	 Swan	Mrs Gould, Mrs Dunn & Mrs Sharman
 Puffin	→	 Osprey	Miss Horlock & Miss West
 Swan	→	 Buzzard	Mrs Shottliff & Mrs Aspray
 Osprey	→	 Kestrel	Mrs Hancock, Mrs Talbot & Mrs Blake
 Buzzard	→	 Merlin	Mr Burton, Mrs Farwell, Mrs C Taylor & Mrs Blake



SCHOOL NEWS...

Lytchett The **BOY** *in the* **DRESS**

On Thursday, 23rd of June, LMPS performed at Lytchett MInster School. They put on a huge performance of The Boy in the Dress (based on the book by David Walliams and featuring the music of ABBA). There were over 120 pupils involved with dancing, acting, choir, orchestra and stage crew. Overall the performance was a huge success and a fantastic experience for all involved! We also raised over £500 for the performing arts at LMPS!

We interviewed a variety of pupils who were involved with different aspects of the production.

Tor McEnerney, Y6 Merlin Class, actor who played Dennis Sims (the boy in the dress): "I found the most exciting part was when I wore the dress and I was exposed to the whole school. I really liked all the jokes because they made me laugh."

James Filsell, Y6 Kestrel Class, stage crew and footballer: "The funniest part was when I wore the dress and played football. When I put up the signs for stage crew I got it wrong at first, but then I stopped being nervous and got it right."

Charlotte Henry, Y6 Kestrel Class, dancer: "My favourite dance was "Victory" (the finale) because it was so energetic. When the boys came out in their dresses it was hilarious!"

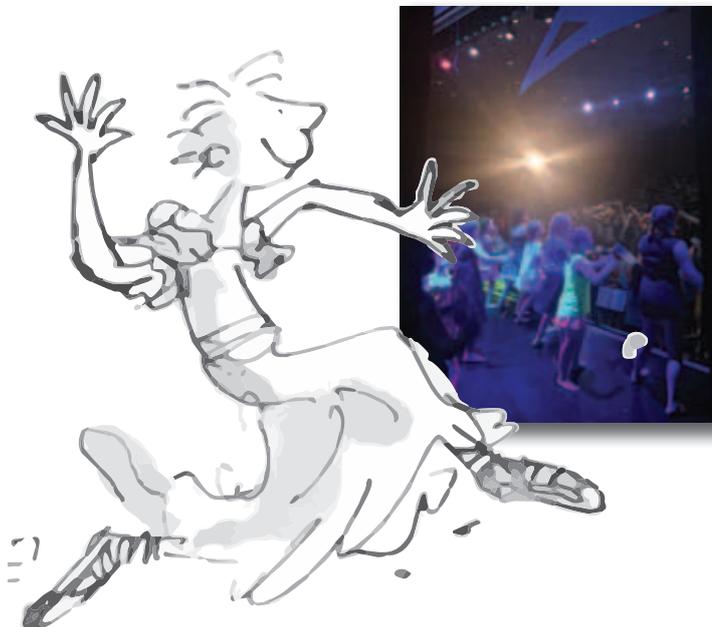
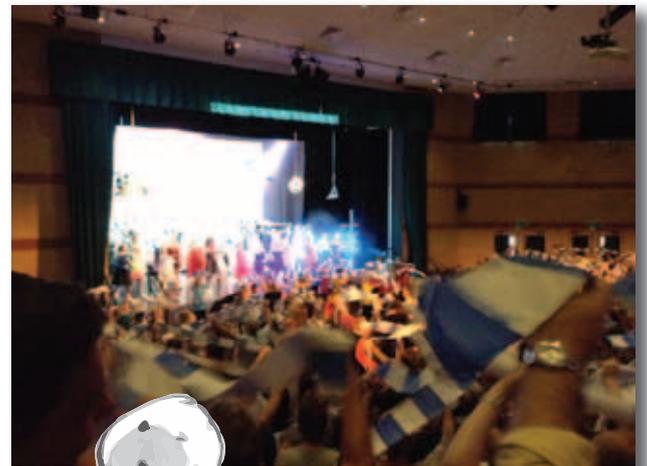
Lucy Foote, Y6 Merlin Class, orchestra: "I enjoyed playing Dancing Queen the most because it was the fastest and most fun to play. My favourite part of the production was EVERYTHING!"

Lily Ward, Y4 Swan Class, choir: "My favourite song was "Dressing Me Dressing You" because it had quieter parts and it sounded cool with the orchestra. I enjoyed seeing the audiences' faces when they came into the theatre and they were all excited."

Sophie Haynes, Y2 Nightingale Class, choir, "I liked performing to an audience on a big scale and in such a big theatre! And I loved singing all the songs!"

All of the children loved the performance and it was a great experience. Thank you to all the staff who worked so hard to make it special for us! We wish we could do it all over again!

by Erin Triggs and Scarlett Pritchard,
Y6 Kestrel Class





SCHOOL NEWS...

Year 1 Get in Rhythm

Some girls from year 1 recently took part in a dance show called "Once Upon A Time", for their dance school Rhythm Mix Dance Academy. They had to perform 4 dances and they got to wear a variety of costumes including dressing as forest animals alongside Snow White.

The girls have practised all year since September 2015 to learn all the dances, plus a few more and they have shown dedication and passion for dance.

The girls have taken examinations this year too, in which they all passed with flying colours, which has also reinforced how brilliant they are.

The dance show raises money for different charities every year and this year we have chosen 'The Brain Tumour Charity UK' and a local

charity 'A Vision for Vincent' (which is raising funds for the teenage and young person with cancer area on Durlston ward so that they can buy age appropriate equipment to make the stay for these people as nice as possible). We managed to raise just under £900 to split between the 2 charities which is amazing.

Some of the girls now have the opportunity to learn cheerleading after the holidays and some are very much looking forward to this.

Mrs McCabe along with her daughter Emma came and watched the girls (the majority of them in her class "Butterflies") perform on the Friday night of the show and she said how wonderful it was watching such a magical performance and seeing the girls demonstrate such great skills with such confidence.

We also have girls and boys who are both past and present students from LMPS, who dance within the company and its wonderful to watch them grow and shine year after year.

Well done to all the dancers and especially to the Year 1 girls.

Gemma, Lucy and the Rhythm Mix Team



Dear Mrs Dominey & Mrs Shotliff,

Thank you so much for bringing your pupils to the conference and running a workshop with those marvellous displays of work! It really took me by surprise but enforced what I've always believed - that CPD should lead directly to exciting work from the pupils. Congratulations to all your staff for the way they have been working to make that link from quality text to quality writing.

Let me know how else I might help you.

Thanks again and keep in touch!

What a great school!

Bob

Bob Cox
Director, "Searching for Excellence Ltd",
LATEST BOOK
'Opening Doors to Famous Poetry and Prose'

Mrs Dominey and Mrs Shotliff will be working closely with Bob Cox next year, sharing our childrens writing with him.



July Friday 4th December 2015
 L.o To write a poem.
 (Context: Sunset (Inspired by 'Great Gatsby' by F. Scott Fitzgerald))
Lightbulb Ideas:

I sat in my room
 and gazed on the sky
 as the magical sunset went and passed by
 As I thought nothing on all,
 the sunset told me things as well:

✓ In twilight appeared. You are opening doors!
 I wasn't asleep. Bob Cox
 as the light went dim.
 He almost went slow:
 I have had stayed all sunsets -
 as the sunset will beneath the clouds.

The sunset was dead,
 no more more red.
 The circle darkness was playing a game,
 as I lost the sunset's beautiful state.
 Nothing was there,
 but the moon's scary face.

✓ What a gorgeous poem about sunset. Well done.
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 LMPS AWARD





SCHOOL NEWS...

You Should be Dancing

On Saturday 16th July, I had the privilege of watching Vivian's Theatre School's annual show "You Should be Dancing" at the Layard Theatre. I was, once again, blown away by the talent of our pupils, both past and present, at Lytchett Matravers Primary School. The standard of the performances was so high and it was fantastic to spot so many of our children involved in the show, from Reception all the way up to Year 6; you all looked amazing in your costumes. It was

very emotional watching so many beautiful performances!

I thought the musical-theatre element to the show was a real treat and I have to say that Tor McEnnery really stood out; what a fantastic voice you have Tor and your smile lit up the theatre! Well done to everyone who was involved in putting on such a great show. There were a lot of very proud parents on Saturday!

Mrs Murray



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Cricket Report

On Tuesday 7th June our year 5/6 cricket team travelled over to Wimborne Cricket Club to enter into our area tournament. This was being run by one of the coaches from the "chance to shine" cricket programme. We were competing against 5 other teams and having taken a squad there last year I knew some of the games were going to be really hard, however the children were excited and enthusiastic to get going.

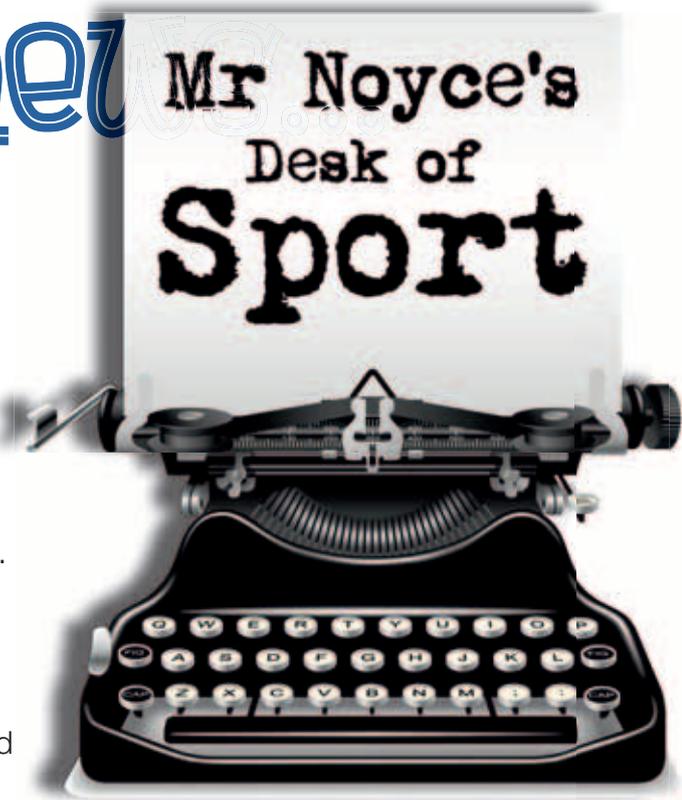
In our first match we won the toss and chose to field, so the team had a target to try and achieve. We took some catches, bowled some wickets and fought really hard to limit the opposition to a competitive total. We started batting and lost a few early wickets (-5 runs for every wicket) but then suddenly some big hits and runs began to flow until the last over which saw us level with the opposition with 6 balls to go. Another big hit and we were in front, a couple of missed shots and then disaster.... A wicket down. This meant we required 3 runs from the last ball but with a big swing of the bat we could only muster a single, meaning a loss by 1 run.

The children were disheartened but determined to cut down on their mistakes in the next games. However, after that the opposing teams were much stronger and although the children listened to our coaching advice, they lost all of their remaining games. Although the children lost each

game, they never once complained and should be very pleased with their efforts. Mrs McKenzie and I were very proud of how they helped and supported each other all afternoon.

Lily Dennet was the only female competitor throughout the entire tournament. She bowled extremely well and took many wickets for us. Hopefully our children will look at furthering their cricketing journey and join a local side and we will then be seeing them fighting for the "ashes" one day.

Mr Noyce Sports Coach





Sports Day

2016

Reception and Key Stage 1
27th June 2016

Key Stage 2 –
28th June 2016 (Field Events)

Once again our Olympians of the future were taking part in two days of fun and competition for Sports Day 2016. The Key Stage 1 and Reception afternoon was a resounding success, as all the children worked hard with their parents during their 50 event challenge, then pushed themselves even harder when it came to the track events. The weather was lovely and there was a competitive atmosphere all afternoon. The Year 6 children and Sports Leaders led their events extremely well, making sure the younger children knew exactly what to do for each activity.

with the first 3 to finish going to the podium to receive their medals from the Governors.



our Key Stage 2 sports day, leading the field events alongside our teachers. It was great for our children to see the older students helping and assisting them.

The day finished with parent and teacher races, which were hotly contested with myself (Mr Smith) taking a tight win over Mr Noyce in 2nd and Mrs Murray in a close 3rd. All in all the children had an enjoyable time in the sun with Arundel (150 points) taking the lead for the Sports Day Trophy over Trenchard (100 points) and Maltravers (78 points).

Well done Key Stage 1 and Reception the school and I are very proud of you.

Unfortunately due to the weather the track events for Key Stage 2 were rearranged. However, we had great weather for the field events in the morning. The Javelin, Vortex Throw, Long Jump and High Jump were highly competitive with all the children from Year 3 to 6 performing brilliantly in the beautiful morning sun.

The whole morning ran very smoothly which is a huge credit to our children and staff who once again rallied at the call. I would just like to say a massive thankyou to Mr Dominey for organising his Year 9 Corfe Hills PE students to attend



The behaviour and effort of all of our children was outstanding. They once again did themselves and our school proud. Records were smashed and lots of medals were collected.

A massive well done must go out to the children for competing with 100% effort and a 'Never Give Up' attitude. After adding on the points to the previous totals and before adding the track events, the placings have all changed. Trenchard are now currently in 1st place with 486 points, Maltravers



The track events were exciting to watch, as the children performed really well and tried their hardest,





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are in 2nd with 422 points and Arundel are in 3rd with 356 points. Well done Key Stage 2 you are super stars.

As this is my last write up for Lytchett Matravers Primary School I would like to say a HUGE well done and thank you to the children for performing so well. Not only in Sports Day but in their PE lessons and at other Sporting competitions as well. The Sport and PE at LMPS has made massive progress over the last two years and it will only get stronger in the years ahead. Well done and thank you to all involved (parents, staff and children) for making 2015-16 another wonderful year at Lytchett.



LMPS Super Swimmers shine at the Dorset County Final Swimming Gala

After the success of the East Dorset Swimming Gala last term, we had two super swimmers that won their races and were selected for the East Dorset Swimming Team. These children were:

Poppy Szydowski of Osprey (Year 5) who won her 50 metres Freestyle and

Jacy Partidge of Merlin (Year 6) who won her 50 metres Breaststroke.



They took part in a highly competitive County Final Gala on Saturday 25th June 2016 at Littledown Pool in Bournemouth.

The competition was fierce with some swimmers towering over the girls but it did not deter them one bit. Both Poppy and Jacy finished their races with personal best times (PBs), which to do on one of the biggest stages of their swimming careers was amazing. Huge credit must be given to their determination and ability to perform in high pressure situations. Poppy finished her 50 metres Freestyle in a fantastic 5th place with a PB of 43.06s and Jacy raced home to an awesome 6th place with a PB of 51.91s.

The families of the children, the school and I am extremely proud of their achievements and they can officially say they are the 5th and 6th best 50 metre Freestyler and Breastroker across the whole of Dorset! Great performance girls and good luck for next swimming season.

Mr Smith
PE Leader



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Manor Mile, 10.06.15

For the Manor Mile 2016 we went to Sandford Primary School on the 9th June with a team of 56 strong runners. All of them did the staff and the school proud. There were some inspired running performances from all of the children and nearly every race saw LMPS children in the top three. The conditions for running were perfect and some had nerves kicking in, but the children managed to use them to their advantage very effectively. With the amazing performances came great rewards: Reception and Year 1 came 1st Place overall, Year 2 came joint 1st place with Bere Regis Primary School, Year 3 and 4 came 2nd place overall and Year 5 and 6 finished 1st place.

Although there was no overall Primary School trophy, with the points all the team amassed we would have been certain winners. In my eyes all of the children that ran that day are champions and without their positive motivation and support we could not have finished where we did, so well done one and all.

I would also like to say a massive thank you to Mrs Murray, any helpers she had with her running club and all the staff at LMPS who are fully supporting the LMPS Marathon with their classes. Running is a tough sport to train for alone, so having this successful club and fantastic support from the staff has proved to have a huge impact on the children's performance.

The Children that competed in the Manor Mile are as follows:

Ellison Gibbens	Amy Wilkins
Noah King	Tayo Partridge
Ella Briggs	Alyssia Woods
Evie-Mae Jarvis	Rebekka Neill
Daniel Young	Tilly McEnnerney
Lauren Gosling	Charlotte Coe
Marley Croft	Emma McCabe
Gypsie-Skye Bowman	Martha Graham
Evie Goble	Will Goss
Jack Browne	Mollie Mechan
Darcy Cooper	George Kleinschmidt
Benjy Lawrence	Joshua Goble
Juno Wood	Joshua Gordon-Nelson
Fletcher Murray	Jaimie Woods
Billy King	Amy Hawkins
Robert Schofield	Paul Stevens
Jasper Graham	Finley Girdler
Ella Brown	Elexa Haslam
Archie Martin	Sophie Nurser
Ben Jordan	Joe Vujicic
Harry Andrews	Ben Luthor
Jasmine Scott	Daniel Pritchard
Amelie Martin	Isabel Bartlett
Naomi Percival	Jamie Holland
Owain Bartlett	Ben Crickmore
Morgan Jones	Dylan Russell
Aiden Ryan	Isabel Wilkinson
Jazmin Betteridge	Jacy Partridge





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Our Dorset School Games Sailing Trip

I went sailing today (all day). I am exhausted but I am here to tell you about it.

We went to the Dorset School Games after six weeks of sailing lessons where some people gained their RYA 1 or RYA 2 awards.

First we arrived at Rockley Poole Park and after a while we put our buoyancy aids on. It was amazing. There were a load of tents and people all over the place and coffee shops and a tuck shop. We did the register and then we were given our vest numbers, I (Amy) was number 11 and my partner was number 12. His name was George.

Whilst the teachers arranged what was going to happen during the day we played a game of splat with the instructors. Then Dominic and I (Joe), Mina and Bertie got onto the boats and were pushed out to start the race. We sailed round for a bit and then the five minute warning went, then the three minute warning, then the one minute warning and then GO!!! We were off! It was a triangular course which we went around twice. We finished and we came third.

When I (Amy) was waiting for my race I was nervous, very nervous. When people sailed in we cheered them then hopped in the boats. Oh no, the first horn went off, then the second then the third... GO!

Next, me (Ben) and Sami and Victoria and Zach sailed. The race was tough but we made 2nd place. Victoria and Zach came 5th. Then Harry and Paul came 3rd and Amy and Bertie came 4th. Then Mrs

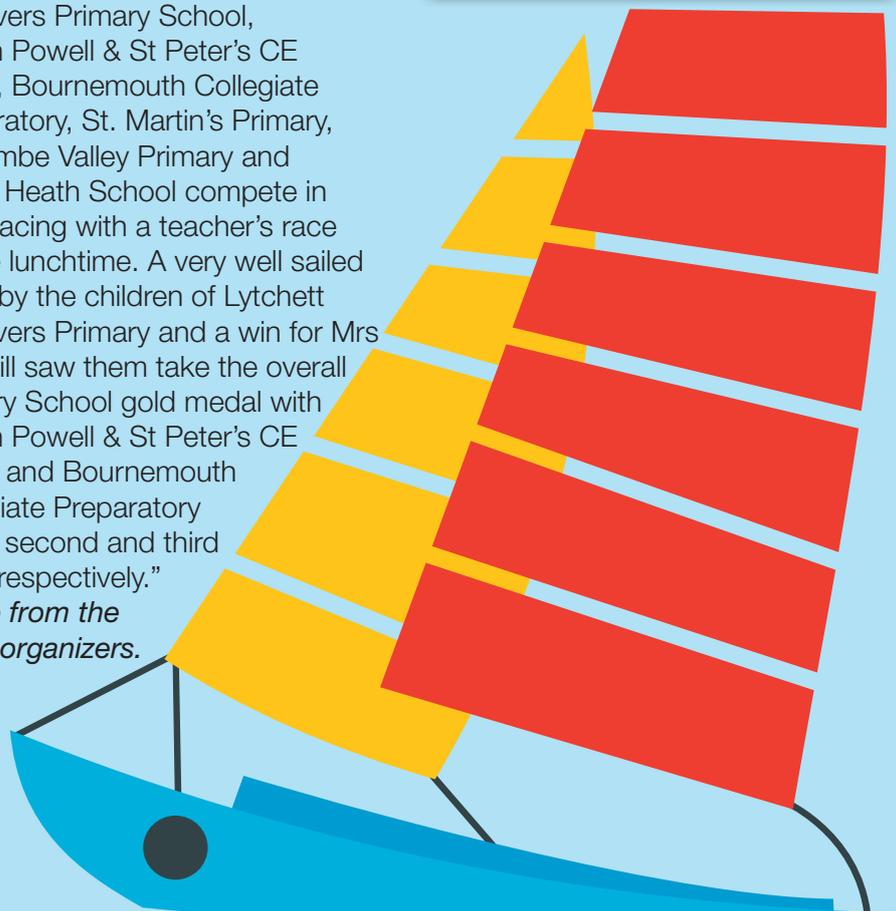
Cotterill came 1st in the teachers and instructors race.

After our races we went on the paddle boards. We had a really fun time doing front flips and back flips. We also went on swan pedals. It took a long time to turn them which was annoying. Very annoying!

We had the final races in the afternoon and when we got back it was time for the results. We were really scared in case we didn't beat the previous year but we were all relieved because OUR SCHOOL WON. YAY! We got a gold medal and a sailing trophy (made of hardcore plastic!)

By Joe Vujicic, Amy Simpson and Ben Luther

"Day 1 saw children from Lytchett Matravers Primary School, Baden Powell & St Peter's CE Junior, Bournemouth Collegiate Preparatory, St. Martin's Primary, Bincombe Valley Primary and Talbot Heath School compete in pairs racing with a teacher's race before lunchtime. A very well sailed event by the children of Lytchett Matravers Primary and a win for Mrs Cotterill saw them take the overall Primary School gold medal with Baden Powell & St Peter's CE Junior and Bournemouth Collegiate Preparatory taking second and third place respectively."
Quote from the event organizers.





SCHOOL NEWS...

WELL DONE RECEPTION!

We would like to say a huge well done to Honeybee and Ladybird classes for a great first year at LMPS! It has been an exciting year with visits from Percy the Park Keeper, the police, the firemen, a trip to the farm, incubating eggs and looking after the chicks and watching the caterpillars change and finally releasing them as butterflies. Every child has learnt so much and have made us smile all year. They are all ready for the challenge of Year 1 and we wish them well. Thank you also to all you parents, your continued support is always greatly appreciated.

From Miss Reid,
Miss Barker
and all our wonderful TA's



Free School Meals

To make an application for Free School Meals (FSM), please ring 01305 251000.

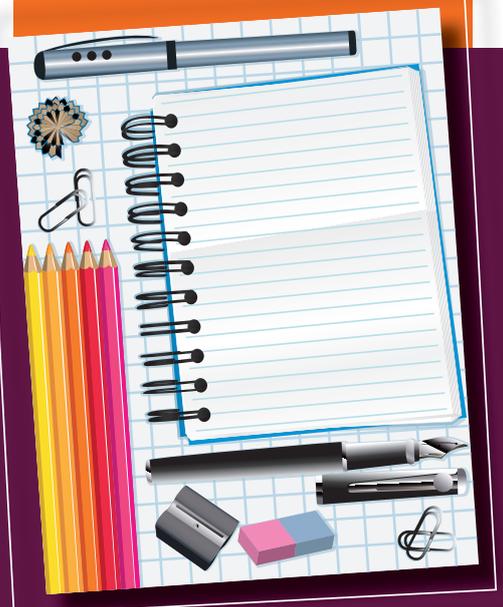
You will be asked your name, date of birth, national insurance number and your child's name, date of birth and address.

If you have any problems, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Marsh in the school office.

£100 Allowance

Any child that is entitled to free school meals via pupil premium, (i.e. in receipt of free meals because you are in receipt of benefits), can now claim £100 per school year to use towards costs related to their child's education. This funding can be

used for items such as school uniform and educational school trips/experiences like swimming for example. In order for you to claim part or all of your £100 allowance, please speak to the school office, or contact Mr France or Mrs Dominey.





DIARY DATES

September
2016

Term Commences
Monday 5th September

SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2016



Mon 12 September 2016
Time: 9.00 – 10.00
Event: **Year 1 – Meet the Teacher**
Venue: School Hall

Wed 14 September 2016
Time: 9.00 – 10.00
Event: **Year 2 – Meet the Teacher**
Venue: School Hall

Mon 12 September 2016
Time: 2.30 – 3.30pm
Event: **Year 3 – Meet the Teacher**
Venue: School Hall

Wed 14 September 2016
Time: 2.30 – 3.30pm
Event: **Year 4 – Meet the Teacher**
Venue: School Hall

Tues 13 September 2016
Time: 2.30 – 3.30pm
Event: **Year 5 – Meet the Teacher**
Venue: School Hall

Thurs 15 September 2016
Time: 2.30 – 3.30pm
Event: **Year 6 – Meet the Teacher**
Venue: School Hall

2016/2017 INSED Dates

The following dates have been set for the 2016-17 Teacher Training days. School will be closed to children on these days.
Thank you.

- Wed 20th July 2016
- Thurs 1st September 2016
- Fri 2nd September 2016
- Tuesday 3rd January 2017
- Monday 5th June 2017
- Friday 21st July 2017

