



LANGTOFT PRIMARY SCHOOL FRIDAY BULLETIN

23 April 2022

Welcome back to the summer term. I hope all our families had a restful Easter holiday and enjoyed the sunshine and Easter eggs. The children have had a wonderful start to the term; they have all come back with a positive attitude and enthusiasm for learning. Year 6 have been working incredibly hard already towards their SATs, which are only 2 weeks away, and Year 4 have enjoyed their first residential to Stibbington. It looks set to be an exciting term ahead with lots of events planned over the coming months.

YEAR 4 RESIDENTIAL

The sun shone on Year 4 as they enjoyed their first ever residential to Stibbington this week with jam packed days of treasure hunting, pond dipping, owl pellet dissecting and eco art plus warm spring evenings which allowed us to enjoy games of football, climbing trees and the ever important campfire and roast marshmallows. A great time was had by all and we even managed to get some sleep at night!



ALL STARS CRICKET DAY

On Thursday 28 April, all children across the school will take part in the All Stars Cricket development day – an introduction to the sport where the children will learn key skills. All children can come to school in their PE kit on this day.



FOLS DISCO

The F.O.L.S disco makes its return on Thursday 28th April for EYFS/KS1 at 6-7pm and KS2 7:15-8:15pm.

Tickets can be purchased online until 9pm on Wednesday 27 April from <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsoflangtoft/>

Tickets are £2.50 each and include a drink and biscuit. There is also a tuck shop available for KS2.

WRITERS OF THE WEEK

This week's Writers of the Week are **Harlow C** in Foundation, **Rico H** in Year 1, **Jack J** in Year 2, **Sebastian S** in Year 3, **Barnaby J** in Year 5 and **Evie R** in Year 6.

GATES OPENING

A polite reminder that although gates open at 8:40am, children remain the responsibility of parents/carers while on the playground until 8:45am when the doors to classrooms open.

A DATE WITH DAN

Online safety can be a bit of a minefield and many of us have lots of questions on how we can not only keep our children and young people safe but also let them enjoy the benefits the online world brings. Join resident Online Safety Officer, Dan Hawbrook, on the 18th May 2022 6:30-7:30pm for a special Question and Answer session for parents and carers which will cover whatever YOU want to know – whether it's game ratings, parental controls, bullying or strangers – we will let you ask us those burning questions. Sign up will be required to access this session. [A Date with Dan Tickets, Wed 18 May 2022 at 18:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Best wishes,

Mrs B Wood
Headteacher

CLASS UPDATES

For week commencing 25th April 2022

Please find information about what each class are learning next week.

FOUNDATION STAGE

The children will listen to different versions of the Jack and the Beanstalk story and sequence pictures in the correct order to help them retell it using story language. In the afternoons, each child will plant a bean in a transparent pot ready to observe over the coming weeks. We will also be planting potatoes and other seeds in the outdoor area. In maths, the children will begin to recognise and count numbers to twenty. Last week we focused on 11, 12, 13 and this week we will focus on 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18. Please reinforce this at home if your child does not yet recognise them. In phonics, the children will continue to embed the sounds taught to date and practise spelling words with them in. They will also read their Read, Write, Inc books daily in small groups and write sentences about what they have read. In PE, we will continue with our small group golf sessions and begin our tennis unit. On Thursday, the children will also have a go at All Stars Cricket so should wear PE kit that day.

YEAR 1

Next week in Year 1 we will be learning about wild plants and going on a wild plant hunt in Science. In Geography we are going to be exploring Google Earth to see where we live in the world and look at the different features we can find from an aerial view. In maths we are continuing our topic of Multiplication and Division and in English we will be exploring the traditional tale 'The Enormous Turnip' ready for writing our own versions. In RE we will be beginning our new topic Judaism and exploring our imaginations in music.

YEAR 2

The children have had a super start back to school and have continued to show lots of enthusiasm for their learning. They have written their recounts of their Easter holidays and have been learning how to tell the time. It would be great to keep this going so any extra practise of telling the time (o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to as well as to the nearest five minutes when confident) would be fantastic.

This term we will be focusing on living things and their habitats. Linked to this our key text is *The Owl Who Was Afraid of the dark* by Jill Tomlinson. Next week, after reading the first chapter, we will be writing a letter to the main character, Plop, and will try to persuade him not to be afraid of the dark. Our focus, in writing this term will be refining our writing to ensure we are including the correct punctuation, exciting vocabulary, using a range of conjunction and thinking carefully about our spellings. In maths, we will be learning about length by finding out how to measure in centimetres and metres. We will also be revisiting our number skills to develop greater fluency. Don't forget to practise on TT Rock Stars, Hit the Button or White Rose one-minute maths app. In science, we will be learning about the habitats in our school environment and finding out what animals and plants live there. In athletics (Monday), we will learn the correct techniques for sprinting and we will continue learning more about golf with Mr Game (Thursday). In art, we will be learning about creating textures with our pencils and pens and use these techniques to draw owls.

YEAR 3

In science we will be continuing to explore how plants grow including pollination and seed dispersal. This is something you could help with at home. What flowers can you see? How do they spread their seeds? In religious education, we will be exploring how Sikh beliefs affect their ways of life and the importance they place on sharing. As part of our new topic on Ancient Egypt, we will be placing this period into history, but also looking at where we are in the world and identifying nearby cities and counties before looking further afield. As part of our well-being, we will also be exploring the theme of relationships and how to build them strong. In maths, we continue with bar charts and pictograms before moving on to length and perimeter. In English, we continue with our text Macy and the Riddle of the Sphinx and attempt to turn this narrative into a recount of events.

YEAR 4

This week in Year 4 we shall be kick starting our new topic for this term - habitats. We are going to be looking at classification in science. In maths, we will be continuing our learning journey with decimals by finding out what happens when we divide by 10 and 100. In English sessions, we will be beginning a new writing journey by exploring many different examples of limerick poetry. This term brings an exciting new music topic too. We will be basing our work on the Beatles song 'Blackbird'.

YEAR 5

In maths, we shall be dividing 2-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers involving remainders. We then progress to divide a 3-digit number by a 1-digit number.

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In English, we shall explore our classical poetry – reading examples, identifying their meanings and analysing their features.

In science, we shall identify soluble and insoluble materials and begin to investigate materials, which will dissolve. In art, we look at how current artists envisage the future and how each approach is very different. PE days are on Monday (tennis) and Thursday (All Stars cricket development session).

In music we shall be continuing our journey through Motown and working on our instrumental accompaniments.

YEAR 6

This week in Y6, we will be continuing to write explanation texts. With a focus on vocabulary, we will ensure that there is the right level of formality and use of technical language. In maths, we will move onto statistics. This week, reading, interpreting and constructing line graphs. We will then use line graphs to solve problems. We will kick off our new science topic: electricity by building simple circuits and drawing circuit diagrams accurately using the correct symbols. This will form the basis for further enquiry. We know that summer is approaching, when we start cricket and athletics this week. Athletics will be all about striving for improvement and achieving personal best. Keeping the summer vibe, we will begin to design and posterise our own seaside posters, applying the knowledge of colour and composition we learnt last term. We delve into relationships and recognise the balance between the challenges we face and support that others can offer.