



Luxulyan School Newsletter



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Please note some activities/events are not connected to Luxulyan School and parents should undertake their own checks as to the suitability of the providers/activities.

ASH CLASS

Over the past few weeks we have been watching frogspawn grow and hatch into tadpoles. This has been very exciting and we have enjoyed learning about the lifecycle of the frog in Literacy. This week we have focused on the story of 'the Hungry Caterpillar' and are now writing about the lifecycle of a butterfly.

In Maths, we have been learning about 3D shapes and particularly enjoyed playing the blindfolded shape guessing game! During our child-initiated activity time, we have been busy using art and craft materials to depict the lifecycle of a chicken, practising our subtraction with the frogs and lily pads and painting balloons to turn into caterpillars

Miss Illsley and Mrs Berry

BEECH CLASS

After our exciting snow day on Monday, we have been working hard this week on our new versions of The Town Mouse And The Country Mouse; the children have challenged themselves to think about their characters and what they will get up to, while keeping the elements of the original story the same. Year 2 have been working hard in the afternoons too. Last week we were making a book about where we live, which the children have taken real pride in, and this week we have created a new display for the classroom all about different habitats animals live in, and how they are suited to their environment. In maths, we have been working on multiplication and division, as well as our end of term assessments.

Miss Coffee

SYCAMORE

Over the last two weeks Sycamore class have been preparing to write their own fable. This has now been done with amazing results! If you are passing the classroom, please pop in to see the children's work on our 'Incredible' display board. Our topic work is coming to a close with the children focusing on their information leaflets for USA. Come in and have a look at the leaflets to see if you are persuaded to visit the country as a holiday destination.

In maths the children in year 3 have been grappling with money problems and our year 4's with decimals. The Times Tables Rock Stars continue to progress well with the number of children who know up to their 12 times tables increasing on a weekly basis! Keep up the good work Sycamore class!

Our PE lessons with Mr LDL provide us with a varied programme and this term we have been focusing on Uni Hockey which the children have greatly enjoyed.

Still on a sporting note a massive '*Congratulations!*' to all the children (Talon, Ethan Knight, Posy, Ellie, Kieron and Maisie B from Sycamore class) who took part in the swimming gala on Tuesday. We won our Division and were only two points behind the Division 1 winners. Many thanks too for all the supporters who turned up to cheer us onto victory!!

Kind regards

Mrs Mileham



LOTTERY FUNDED

OAK CLASS



built in intruder alarms! The children were then encouraged to create art inspired by nature which produced varying different results. After lunch the remainder of the afternoon was spent making wind chimes from what could be found in the woods and building rafts to race down the river. A brilliant day was had by all and the children really enjoyed the experience as you can see from our photos.

Mrs Williams and Mr Heagney

WELCOME

A big welcome to our new Teaching Assistant, Mrs Sarah Yelland who will be starting in Sycamore Class after Easter. She will be here for the duration of Mrs Tonkin's maternity leave.

We also welcome Miss Carter, our new Ash Class teacher, along with Mrs Berry. Miss Carter will be here Wednesday to Friday as she is covering Miss Illsley while she is on her maternity leave.

GOODBYE AGAIN

We say goodbye to Mrs Rogers who has been helping out in Ash Class. She will continue her teacher training year at St Mewan School after Easter. We wish her all the best in her future teaching career.

We also goodbye to Mrs Green and know she will do brilliantly in her new teaching/SENDco role at Carclaze School.

CLUBS WEEK BEGINNING 26TH MARCH 2018

No after school clubs in the week beginning 26th March 2018.

Clubs will resume after the Easter holiday week commencing 23rd April 2018. More detail of the clubs on offer to follow.



On Thursday Oak Class spent the day in Luxulyan Valley taking part in some outdoor activities that had been organised by students from Duchy College. After the walk down the children were split into two groups and went for a walk through the woods before being challenged to a den building competition. Competition was fierce ranging from hedgehog dens to dens that had

BODMIN DRAGON CENTRE ANNUAL SWIMMING GALA



Back Row: Evie M, Elle, Jess

Middle Row: Toby, Bailey, Ellie, Kieron, Ethan, Kyran

Front Row: Maisie B, Posy, Kobi, Talon, Joseph

On Tuesday we took a mixed team over to the Dragon centre to compete in the Gala. The children excelled individually as well as a team. Some children even raced twice during the relay races. For some this was their first Gala and our last for our Year 6's who will leave us for secondary in July.

We were placed in Division 2 and the competition was fierce but that did not stop our strong team spirit. We were eventually rewarded with a clear win with 136 points coming only 2 points behind Division 1 overall winners Lostwithiel who achieved 138 points.

Congratulations to everyone who took part, the school are so proud!

Thank you to the parents for your continuous support.

Mrs Fox

TESCO BAGS OF HELP

Just a reminder - Luxulyan School is one of the lucky groups to stand a chance of winning up to £4000 in a grant through Tesco Bags of Help. For all of March and April, if you are shopping at Tesco in Holmbush, please add your blue token

into our box in the foyer, and encourage any friends and family shopping there to do the same!

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE FIGURES FOR SPRING 2

Regular attendance at school is essential for children to reach their full potential. As a school, our target is to ensure our overall attendance for the year is over 96%.

Our whole school attendance target is 96% for the year. Current whole school attendance from 08.03.18 to 22.03.18 is 95.5%. A breakdown of attendance figures is below:

Class	Attendance Figures
Ash	95.1
Beech	95.3
Sycamore	95.3
Oak	96.0

Well Done Oak Class with the highest attendance levels this week!



SWIMMING LESSONS

Swimming lessons will commence in the Summer Term on 23rd April 2018 for Year 3-6 children.

We will be sending out letters with all the details imminently.

LOST PROPERTY

We have a lost property box in the office for clothes/items which have been lost and are not labelled. If your child has lost anything please check with Mrs Grubb.

DIARY DATES

March

30th March – 13th April – Easter Holidays

April

16th April – Return to School

16th – 20th April – SEND meetings this week

23rd April – Clubs start

May

2nd May - SATS meeting for Year 6 parents at 2pm

14th – 18th May – SATS Week

23rd May - Porthpean Camp meeting for parents at 2pm

June

6th June – School photos

11th-13th June Porthpean camp

21st June – Provisional Sports Day – weather dependent

July

2nd July – Year 6 Penrice Move Up morning

10th July – SATs results Day

18th July – Oak Class Performance

20th July – Last day of term

20th July End of Year/Year 6 Leavers Assembly

STAFF TRAINING DAYS – CLOSED TO PUPILS

Monday 23rd July 2018

Tuesday 24th July 2018

Back To School - Child Safety Tips

*You can't always be near your child.
How do you make sure they are safe?
Teach your children:*

STRANGER DANGER

01 What do you mean by strangers?
‘Pretty’ strangers can be as dangerous as scary-looking strangers.

02 Who can they go to when they need help?
Teachers Policemen Neighbours

03 Possible dangerous situations, eg:
A stranger claims to be a friend of your parents and offers you a ride home from school.
A nice looking stranger approaches you and asks for help/directions.

04 What to teach your child:
Always be accompanied by someone they can trust.
Know the home address and mummy's and daddy's phone numbers.
Scream or shout "NO" when they are in a dangerous situation.
Talk with mummy/daddy about their day and not keep secrets from them.