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Term 6 2020-2021- Week 3

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are in the midst of term 6 now and it is incredibly busy with a number of events on, in and out of school; we apologise for any lateness in communication regarding some of them but we were waiting on government announcements as to what we can and can't do.

Thankfully we can still have some of our end of term events, providing we put into place specific measures.

We have had a lovely Art week with a number of activities all focused around our 'colours of the rainbow' theme. Please see pictures later on in the newsletter.

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to Underwater Class for their attendance of **98.9%** last week and to High Peaks for their attendance of **99.2%** this week.

Please note that if children are self-isolating, they do not affect our attendance as they are recorded as learning from home.

REWARDS

Congratulations to the following children who have received their next Pupil Point certificates.

200 Points – **Underwater:** Florence

300 Points – **Underwater:** Woody **Jungle:** Eaton

400 Points – **Underwater:** Toby

700 Points – **Jungle:** Luke O

PARENT REMINDERS

Please can we remind you to make sure that children with long hair have it tied back whilst at school.

You may have noticed more of a staff presence in the mornings to support with our continued issues around parking. We would like to remind you once again that you cannot park or stop on the zigzag lines in front of the school. Please also refrain from turning in the entrance of the staff car park. This is to ensure the safety of children, staff and families during a busy period. Thank you.

JOB VACANCIES

The Oaktree Federation are advertising for a TA2 and MDSA for Laughton school and an HLTA at Firlie School from September 2021. If you or anyone you know may be interested, the application information is on both school websites under vacancies, or please contact the school office.



SPORTS DAY

A letter was sent home this week regarding sports day which will be on Friday 9th July. We will be carrying out the Sports Day on Pelham Field and will cone off spectator areas. Parents and carers will have to remain in one group for the event and we ask that you keep to these designated areas,

socially distancing in your group of 30. We will assign you to a class group so that the groups do not exceed 30. The classes will stay in one area and we will try to position you as best we can so that you are

Diary

June

30th Forest School (Year 3 & 6)
30th LSA - Bags2School collection

July

2nd Patina
7th Forest School (Year 3 & 6)
8th EYFS & Yr 6 health screening
9th Sports Day & LSA Summer fair
14th Forest School (Year 6)
14th 5/6 trip to Blackland's farm
14th LSA - Second-hand uniform shop
22nd Last day of term
22nd LSA - Non uniform day
23rd INSET

near your child/ren. I appreciate that this is difficult for those with more than one child but you should be able to see the other classes from that area. If we have over 30 parents and carers in a class group then we will create another so that everyone is able to watch. When we move on to the running track, please remain in your groups and we will direct each group to a coned area to watch the races. We hope the weather will be kind to us so that this event can go ahead.

Children need to have their PE kit in school to change into and this year we would like the children to wear their PE colour t-shirt to represent their house **RED BLUE YELLOW GREEN**

ARTS WEEK

This year has been a tricky year for us all due to the pandemic and the rainbow became a symbol of hope for many. Therefore, the theme of this year's Arts week was 'Let's Make a Rainbow!' 🌈 to allow us to spread some joy through colour!

Each year group had their own colour of the rainbow to focus on (reception = red, Year 1 = orange, year 2 = yellow, year 3 = green, year 4 = blue, year 5 = indigo and year 6 = violet).

A huge thank you to Kirsty, Toby's mum, who helped KSI this week and to Lilley Lovett who ran some drama sessions in the infants and LKS2.



Daisy - I am enjoying arts week and like that we are using rainbow colours. Rainbows make me happier because of the bright colours and they're a sign of hope.

ECO UPDATE

After some scorching hot weather we've now had plenty of rain causing the grass and verges to grow like mad! It has been nice to see all the wild flowers coming out as well as our wildlife, especially the bees and butterflies! During our last Eco meeting, we carried out another litter pick of the field and managed to fill an entire bin! Incredible work from the Eco group. The next meeting will be the final Eco meeting of the academic year. This year's Eco Group, whilst truncated by lockdown, have done an incredible job under difficult circumstances and they should be really, really proud of their achievements, ideas and commitment. The final Eco meeting will be a celebration of all they have achieved where they will be given certificates for their hard work. Eco Ernie is this time awarded to the Eco Warriors for their dedication, hard work and commitment. Well done I am really proud of you all and I hope you continue to show your Eco passion and skills.

Mr Herdman

SNAPPY OPERA

Jungle class took part in the Snappy Opera this week and what a performance it was! Congratulations to all the children, we are very proud of you all. We would also like to thank our staff who supported the children in their rehearsals and made props and costumes for the performance, The Mahogany Opera for creating and directing 'The Magical Music Tree', The Village Music Festival who funded the project, the LSA for their delicious cream teas and finally to parents for all your support.

“On Tuesday 22nd June, Jungle Class showed off their Snappy Opera (also known as The Magical Music Tree) to join in with The Village Music Festival. The performance was shown in Laughton school hall. Year 5 and 6 had been practising since mid-May with Freya, Nicola and Elspeth (our directors) coming in every fortnight to help. Mrs Rieman and the class made props including wings, feet, head pieces and tabards for the costumes. Mrs West had been waiting to plan the Opera since 2019! The children in Jungle class would like to say a big thank you to Mahogany Opera and The Village Music Festival. The staff and children at the school are very grateful for the opportunity they have been given and hope this is something they can do again in the future” **Alice**

“Finally, for the first time since March 2020 Laughton school was able to open their gates to hordes of parents anxiously awaiting the premiere of Jungle Class' Snappy Opera (The Magical Music Tree). This particular performance was special.

It was the product of over 2 years of planning and disruption (due to Covid) until finally in mid May 2021 preparations began for Laughton School's first ever Snappy Opera. On that first day with the crew from Mahogany Opera- director Freya, singing sensation Nicola, and musical mystic Elspeth, everyone in Jungle was immediately hooked on performing this incredible Opera. Costumes were made, there was no shortage of fish heads or unicorn hooves and bows and arrows, it was rehearsed and re-rehearsed endlessly until on June 22nd it was ready. When the end came, it was disappointing. Jungle had discovered a new found passion for Opera. Everyone was so thankful for this unique opportunity and to all the team at Mahogany Opera". **Luke O**



"This week, on Tuesday 22nd June, the year 5 and 6 class performed their Snappy Opera performance (The Magical Music Tree) in the school hall; the first school performance in over 16 months. This was performed as part of, and funded by, The Village Music Festival. "The prop making was brilliant as everyone put in so much effort, and you could see that, with the finished costumes" said Luke, a year 6 student who took part in the Opera, having worked on the props with the rest of the class for weeks.

"Freya, Nicola and Elspeth were so great at their individual roles – it was amazing" say Louis N- Year 6. (Freya, Nicola and Elspeth were the directors of the Snappy Opera, they work for Mahogany Opera) The students have been very happy to have this experience. We hope to see Snappy Operas back in the school soon" **Bruce**



LSA NEWS

I know I say it all the time but we would like to thank everyone in supporting us. Our recent events have been a huge success even with the restrictions in place. An extra special thankyou to Nicky for all her hard work in making the cream teas for the 'Snappy Opera' this week and making it all run smoothly.

We have a few more fun and yummy things planned for the rest of term. We hope you can join us.

30th June - Bags 2 School (see attached poster for more info)

2nd July - Frozen Friday

9th July - Sports Day with some yummy treats, watch this space for more info

14th July - Uniform Shop

16th July - Frozen Friday

22nd July - Last day of term, own clothes day with a difference

Finally, if anyone is available to lend a hand on any of these dates please let us know.

Father's Day Shop

Thank you to everyone who supported the FOLS Father's Day Shop. We sold 116 presents and made a profit of £155.35. We hope everyone enjoyed receiving their gifts on Sunday. A special thank you to Lynne, who has helped run the school shops for many years, Lynne's grandson Josh will be leaving Laughton this year, so this was Lynne's last shop (unless we can persuade her back) - THANK YOU LYNNE!

Patina

Year 6 are raising funds so they can take part in Patina. They are running as many collective marathons as they can in June (they have already run 2 between them!). They would love any donations or sponsorship per mile. If you would like to donate, via BACS, please pay FOLS (Laughton School Association) directly:

Laughton School Association

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BAGS2SCHOOL

A reminder that there is a collection for Bags2School on **Wednesday 30th June**. If you are having a clear out of at home, please bring any items listed below into school on the collection date. All items will be weighed in and the school will receive funds in return. We accept the following **'good quality'** items for recycling/reuse:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)



We **cannot** accept:

- *Duvets and blankets*
- *Pillows and cushions*
- *Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)*
- *Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing*
- *School uniforms with and without logo*
- *Corporate clothing and workwear*
- *Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded materials*

Kind Regards
Rachel West, Vicki Brown

CLASS LEARNING

Underwater class

Jackson Pollock inspired painting. Andy Goldsworthy inspired art on our Welly Walk.



Bugs class



Painting plant pots and fence posts - **Teddie** - I like art, this arts week is so colourful I like it.

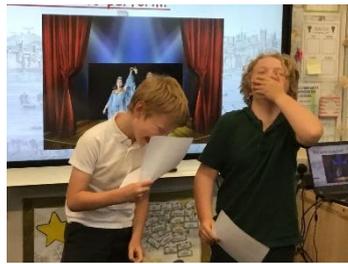
Mosaic rainbow coasters - **Phoenix** - I liked making the coasters, it was satisfying fitting all the pieces on.

Fruit shortbread - **Ila** - I love cooking, we get to make different food and try it out.

Science Fizzing rainbows - **Sophie** - It was colourful and fizzed, I love Science! **Esta** - I liked trying out an experiment I haven't tried before. I liked it fizzing, it was really fun.



High Peaks



Jungle Class

Jungle performing the witches spell from Macbeth

