

## Inspiring Learning for Life

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#### Term 4 2017-2018 - Week I

Dear Parents and Carers.

We seem to have had a couple of busy weeks since we came back after half term with the LSA film night and World Book Day! We have also had to cope with freezing temperatures, snow and ice so thank you all for your continued support during this adverse weather. Hopefully, spring will arrive next week and we can start to enjoy some warmer temperatures!

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Congratulations to Bugs who have had Attendance Bear for the past 2 weeks.

	Underwater	Bugs	High Peaks	Jungle
Week 6 (T3)	95.2%	<mark>96.9%</mark>	96.2%	94%
Week I (T4)	94.3%	<mark>96.2%</mark>	94.7%	86%

#### **REWARDS**

Congratulations to the following children who have received their pupil point awards in assembly:

200 pupil points-Underwater- Jove 500 pupil points-Bugs- Malin 900 pupil points-Jungle- Max 1100 pupil points- Jungle- Aurora

### **GOLDEN MILE**

Congratulations on their new certificates for;

25 miles- Bugs- Rhea, Yara, Rose, Madison, Dizzy, Malakai, Alice,

Flossy, Theodora, Henry, Ava, Arlo, Kit, Lucy, Delilah, Charlie,

Dora, Chloe, Dan S, Jack, Jacob, Sam

50 miles- Bugs- Stanley, Malin, Theodora, Daniel H

High Peaks- Lily

Jungle- Sammy, Aurora, Frazer, Callie, Danny, Emily, Harry

75 miles- High Peaks- Hamish

## Diary

#### March

7th EYFS Parent Consultations – Mrs

**Brown** 

23<sup>rd</sup> Sports Relief

Inter house 5 aside football

26th Year 5 Bikeability training

28th Music recital

29th Easter Mayhem

**April** 

16<sup>th</sup> Return to school

17<sup>th</sup> Yr 3 swimming begins

28th Laughton's Got Talent

## **SWIMMING GALA**

Mr Sidebottom accompanied a group of Jungle children to a swimming gala at Ringmer on Monday. The children were all fantastic ambassadors for the school and represented Laughton brilliantly. They all showed determination and put in a huge amount of effort to place 5<sup>th</sup> overall. Well done to them all!

#### **NETBALL**

Due to the adverse weather conditions, the netball tournament, on Tuesday, was cancelled. The tournament will be rescheduled and we will let you know the new date when we have it.

#### **YOGA**

This week the infants (Reception, Year I and Year 2) have started yoga sessions as part of our health grant funding. The yoga sessions will take place on a Friday morning. From next week, the welly walk will take place on Tuesday morning at 9am and this term this will be for Reception and Year I. Year 2 will have their Forest School session on Tuesday afternoon. We have sent an email out confirming these details for parents.



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#### **CRICKET**

This term KS2 have started cricket sessions on a Friday afternoon, led by Sussex Cricket. 'So far we have worked on our bowling and how to throw the ball. At the end of the session, we all get to take part in short games. It is good to focus on skills in a specific sport' (Josh) 'The coach is really encouraging in the sessions; we have been practising bowling and catching skills. I am really enjoying the sessions working on a different sport' (Sammy)



#### **WRITER'S DAY**

Last Wednesday, four children from Year 6 spent a day at Hellingly, for a writer's day, led by the author Alan Durant. They worked with different children from a range of local schools.

'We spent the day looking at story writing using colours and words picked from a story dice. I really enjoyed working on my story writing' (Isabelle)

'I enjoyed the day and wrote a story from the perspective of a house being terrorised by a kitten' (Finley)

#### **CROSS COUNTRY**

The inter school cross country is now scheduled to take place on Tuesday afternoon next week (Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018). Please make sure children bring in warm clothing to change into for the event (jogging bottoms and a warm fleece) and have suitable footwear for the cross country as the field is likely to be muddy. Thank you.

### **PARTNERSHIP**

Thank you to all of you who have returned your consultation forms. The governor's working party will be using these to help inform their decision.

Staff will be meeting next week to discuss the effectiveness and impact of the RE days we have each term.

#### **SAFEGUARDING**

Please see the attached information from Ofsted regarding online safety guidance

Please remember, if you have any concerns related to safeguarding, please contact Mrs Brown, or Mrs West, our Designated Child Protection Officers. They can also be contacted outside of school hours, by email.

### **WORLD BOOK DAY**

We all enjoyed a great day on Wednesday and despite the freezing temperatures the children made a huge effort to

come to school dressed as a character from a favourite book. They all looked fabulous and the children loved parading in their year groups during assembly.

Mrs Brown went to each class to judge the costumes after lunch and the winners have received a certificate in our Friday assembly. Prizes will follow shortly. Congratulations to everybody.





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#### **PARENT SURVEY**

As part of our Health Grant spend we would like to gain further information from yourselves regarding your child's needs. We will send out a survey from Survey Monkey on Monday. Please could you spend 5-10 mins completing the survey. Thank you.

#### **ECO UPDATE**

As Eco Leader at Laughton School I have seen our school take great strides in becoming more Eco Friendly and have seen our Eco Warriors take on their responsibilities with great enthusiasm and drive. It is

therefore such a proud moment to reveal that our green flag assessment was a complete success and that Laughton is now one of the fewer than 1000 schools to earn this prestigious award. The Eco Warriors did a great job on the day especially Callie and Aurora who showed the assessor around our beautiful site. The assessor, who happened to be an ex- headteacher, was very impressed with all he saw and with what we had achieved together so it really was a triumph not just for the Eco Warriors but the school too as only together can we achieve what we want!



This week seems to be our week for Eco awards as we have also been awarded our bronze **and** silver awards from the Woodland Trust!

We have also been invited by the Lower Vert Woods community woodland to plant a legacy tree in March and part of the Eco group will be taking part. In the past twelve months we have done lots of work to be more eco-friendly and can also announce that coincidentally, almost exactly twelve months after starting our eco group scheme we have seen a 50% reduction in electrical usage across the school which is truly incredible! Everyone has a done a great job and we could not be more proud of what we have achieved! We announced our three awards in last Friday's assembly and will be posting this on the website and also hoping local news will pick this up. Eco Ernie went on the tour with Callie and Aurora with the assessor and is really pleased with all our progress and awards. This time Eco Ernie is awarded to Bugs for great work on deforestation and recycling!

Mr Herdman

#### **LSA**

#### Laughton's Got Talent

Thank you to all who have handed in their forms for Laughton's Got Talent. There have already been a great number of applications, ready for the heats to be planned, in a few weeks' time.

If you have any questions please talk to Ruth Lilley (mum of Megan, year 6 and Tom, year 4) or email her at <a href="mailto:ruth.lilley@gmail.com">ruth.lilley@gmail.com</a>.

### **FILM NIGHT**

The LSA film night was once again, a huge success and the children really enjoyed the films on offer. Thank you to all the helpers who supported the event

#### **MORNINGS**

We have noticed that a few children are being dropped off very early in the morning and are left unsupervised. We want to remind you that the playground isn't supervised by staff until 8:30 a.m. Staff are not always aware when children are on site and sometimes they might not even be in so this poses a health and safety risk.



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#### **MOTHER'S DAY SHOP**

Next week the Mother's Day Shop will be running on Wednesday and Friday afternoons. The LSA still need gifts for the Mother's Day Shop. If you are able to purchase gifts for the shop this would be greatly appreciated. Please talk to a member of the LSA for more information regarding ideas for gift donations and how to claim back receipts. For new parents, this is when the children can bring in money to purchase a gift for Mother's Day from the LSA shop. All the gifts are £1.50. It is a lovely opportunity for them to go shopping independently and for mothers and carers to get a surprise.

#### **MUSIC RECITAL**

Any children who have music tuition, either in school or at home, are invited to perform at a musical recital in school, on 28th March 2018 at 2.15pm. If your child is interested, please let the school know as soon as possible so we are able to put a programme together.

#### **PGL**

There are a number of people who still need to finish paying for the PGL trip. Following the statements sent home, we would like to remind parents that the final balance **MUST** be cleared by 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018, at the latest. Thank you.

Reminders

**PARENT VIEW** 

https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/

**EASY FUNDRAISING** 

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/

Kind Regards Rachel West

Vicki Brown