

Dear Parents,

I hope that you all had a really good long weekend. Although it has only been four days we have packed the days with learning. We are so proud of the children's efforts! Although we have been back for 7 weeks some of the children are still finding some aspects of school tricky, especially drop off and unregulated free times for example play times. We pre-empted this prior to return and it is a national picture. We have extra staffing during these times and we have planned lessons around self regulation and conflict resolutions (something that many of them didn't have to do when at home). We have appreciated all the parental support we have had - working together is the recipe for success.

For our children's safety. Please do not drive down Badgers Way at pick up and drop off. This road is now accessed by Year 3 and 4 children coming into school. Please be mindful of our neighbours when parking.



Friday afternoon at Loxwood School!

I have just had a lovely walk around the school and thought I would give you a flavour of what has been happening this week. Acorns have had their Forest School afternoon and have done some lovely writing. When I popped in they were busy marching and singing along to this week's music lesson. Year 1 have been considering their future life goals, which sounds very grown up! "Improving my cursive handwriting" and "Get better at climbing the monkey bars" by the way!

Year 2 were very busy with their independent activities but were very keen to show me the most beautiful display of Monet's Bridge at Giverny paintings. These were created using a masking technique and finger painting. Part of the "Making a Splash" topic they are absolutely gorgeous.

Year 3 and Year 4 were outside together having a very energetic athletics session so I had a little snoop around the classrooms. In Year 3 I learnt that sloths can sleep for up to 2 days and make the best "Lazy Pets". Year 4 have a wonderful display of stone paintings – designed and painted in Forest School with an Aboriginal twist!

Year 5 are leading the way in the Juniors by working very hard on developing good friendships and learning how to solve conflict successfully. A very important life skill I'm sure you will agree. Finally in Year 6 a very quiet and studious approach to the work of Lichtenstein – analysing the styles and techniques he used. I have a feeling this is leading to an exciting self-portrait.

So a busy afternoon all round with a great variety of work and lots of happy children...things really are beginning to feel a little bit more normal.

Mrs Winter

Acorns Forest School

On Wednesday, Acorns had their first Forest School session with Mrs Oldfield. The weather was kind to us and we had a lovely time exploring the environment and finding lots of wildlife (plants and bugs). Mrs Oldfield found a newt in the pond and we were able to have a close look at it and watch it move. We learned about fire safety and how to enter and exit the fire circle. Although we didn't have a fire - we don't have them in the summer, we sat on the logs and enjoyed a drink and a snack.



PTA Recipe Book & Virtual Run

Don't forget to check your book bags for information from the PTA. Firstly a very exciting to project to publish our very own Loxwood School cookbook. We need your contributions—check the flyer for details. And if you fancy something a little more energetic join the Virtual Run. Choose a 1k, 5k or 10k and help raise much needed funds for the school. Again see the flyer for more information.—this event finishes on 30th May.

General dates

Monday 24th May	Year 6 Residential
Tuesday 20th July	Art Exhibition / Come and See

INSET days for next Academic Year

Thursday 2nd September 2021

Friday 3rd September 2021

Monday 1st November 2021

Monday 28th February 2022

Monday 6th June

Half Term / End of Term Holidays 2020/21

Half Term	Monday 31st May—4th June 2021
End of Term	Friday 23rd July 2021

Forest School

Wednesday 19th May Year 1

Wednesday 26th May Year 2

Wednesday 16th June Year 3

Wednesday 23rd June Year 4

Wednesday 7th July Year 5

Wednesday 14th July Year 6

Wednesday 21st July



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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHILDREN WHO RECEIVED A CELEBRATION CERTIFICATE

Acorns	Macy for Positivity and Alice for Confidence
Oak Class	Sophie for Commitment, Joey for Enthusiasm, Alesha for Self-belief and Kimberly for Commitment
Willow Class	Louis for Independence, Sonny for Organisation and Emily D for Collaboration
Rowan Class	Fi Fi for Perseverance and Alice for Commitment
Sycamore Class	Dylan for independence and Max for Friendship
Mulberry Class	Marlie for Confidence, Kezia for Kindness, Holly for Effort and Billy for Kindness
Chestnut Class	Rowan for dedication, Sarah for conscientiousness and Rachel for perseverance