

28th February 2020

Dear Parents

Welcome back, we hope you all had a lovely break and a good rest despite all the rain! We are very much looking forward to Book Week. Our focus book is the beautifully illustrated LOTS, the Diversity of Life on Earth by Emily Sutton. The children can come into school on Thursday 5th dressed as an animal either from a favourite book or just an animal they love.

Costumes can be as simple or elaborate as you wish but please remember the children have to run around at playtime and get undressed to use the loo! See attached poster.

General dates

Friday 28th	FNC *
March 5th	World Book dress up day
March 10th	Parents' Evening 3.30 – 6.20pm
March 11th	Parents' Evening 3.30 – 6.20pm
March 18th	KS2 House Matches *
March 19th	Year 1 & 2 trip
March 23rd	Year 5 & 6 trip
April 3rd	Last Day
April 20th	Return to school

Attached Flyers

- 1 Coronavirus
- 2 Family food clinic poster
- 3 Tree Tops recruitment

Morning routine

Please can we kindly remind you that morning messages for teachers can be handed in to the person on the gate or the front office, I can assure you these messages get to the teachers. We know that ideally you would like to speak to the class teacher, however, getting the class in, sorted and registered is very full on. For longer conversations please don't hesitate to let us know and the teacher can either telephone you or arrange a meeting at a convenient time for you both.

messages@loxwoodschool.com gets checked every morning before school and regularly throughout the or telephone the school office. We really do appreciate your co-operation in this matter.

Stanley's Blog This has been a great week. I have barked at the Bikeability team every morning - I can see them from a long way off because of their luminous jackets! Everyone thinks I can only see black and white but I can see colour and the brightest colour is yellow. For the first time ever I sat for *ages* without moving as the Year 2 children walked passed me in the corridor; even though they had their lunch boxes with them and I could smell food. I also had 4 children from Year 6 visit me all at the same time on Thursday and they tickled my ears and played with me. A good day!

Did you know.....

Year 6 have completed their Bikeability Programme this week. All schools in West Sussex can access this Programme. The Bikeability team teach the children to ride their bikes safely on the road which is a vital skill particularly considering the roads around Loxwood. The children are assessed and given feedback on their next steps. Well done Year 6.

House Matches

Wednesday 18th March is our KS2 House Matches. All parents are welcome to come along and support the children. Year 6 parents, polish off your trainers and limber up!! 9.00-9.30am Year 6 v Year 6 parents Football and Netball 9.30-12.00 KS house matches



Pancake Races

On Tuesday we had our annual pancake race! The children had a fantastic time, racing in their houses and cheering each other on. The teachers..... well we tried!! Thank you to the PALS for supplying hot drinks and a special treat of a donut. Thank you so much to everyone who came and joined in or supported us.



Parent Evening

Parents evening will be held on Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th of March 3.30—6.20pm. Booking for appointments is open and spaces are filling quickly. If you need any help booking your appointment, please contact the school office.

PALS Mothers Day Flowers

Are you stuck for ideas to give that special lady in your life? Look no further ... The PALS are selling beautiful flowers. You can purchase these via Class list or pre order at the school office by March 6th



INSET days for this Academic Year

Monday 1st June 2020

Monday 20th July 2020

INSET days for next Academic Year

Thursday 3rd September 2020

Friday 4th September 2020

Monday 4th January 2021

Monday 22nd February 2021

Monday 19th April 2021

Half Term / End of Term Holidays 2019/20

Easter Holidays April 6th – 17th

Half Term May 25th – 29th

End of Term Friday 17th July



Forest School Dates

On your child's Forest School day they can come to school in their Forest School clothing for the whole day, please ensure they are wearing long sleeved tops and trousers – even if the weather is warmer. They will also need suitable footwear, e.g. wellies and a rain coat. If you are able to help on Forest School dates, please see the school office.

Forest School Dates

Wednesday 4 th March	Year 1
Wednesday 11 th	Year 2
Wednesday 18 th	Year 3
Tuesday 24 th	Year 4
Wednesday 25 th	Year 5
Wednesday 1 st April	Year 6

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHILDREN WHO RECEIVED A CELEBRATION CERTIFICATE

Young Explorers	Davut for Creativity and Baye for Confidence
Oak Class	Elsie for Happiness and Phoebe for Aspiration
Willow Class	Edward for Conscientiousness and Felicity for Perseverance
Rowan Class	Bella for Resilience
Sycamore Class	Kezia for Confidence and Jayden for Perseverance
Mulberry Class	Sophie for Dedication, Lily for Confidence and Gabriella for Concentration
Chestnut Class	Jacques for Enthusiasm and Florrie for Diligence



The winning house this week is...

Malham