

This week...

Thank you again for all those that took part in our **World Book Day Sponsored Read**. All the money has been counted and we have raised a total of **£1397.10!** This money will go towards resources for school.

Last Friday, **Year 1** had a visit from Dr Bennett who came to school to tell us all about being a doctor. He showed us some x-rays and how to spot a fracture. He then showed us how a cast is put on if you have broken/fractured bones. He explained that there are lots of different types of doctors and as a GP, he might sometimes have to send people to the hospital if he doesn't have the equipment to treat them. Dr Bennett showed us some checks that he might perform; these included checking the temperature, listening to the heartbeat with a stethoscope and checking a patient's oxygen levels.



On Wednesday **Year 2** visited the Didcot Railway Centre to support their learning with this term's Enquiry Question - '**What did Brunel do for Britain?**' The children got to dress up as Victorian children and hear from Brunel's mother, Lady Brunel where she shared his achievements and his life. They got to enjoy riding a steam train, learning about all the fascinating engines in the engine shed and how the comfort of rail travel has changed over the centuries. Needless to say, a great time was had by all!

Year 6 had a fantastic visit to Junior Citizens in the Fire Station at Rewley Road, Oxford this week. They encountered a range of dangerous scenarios in the home and in the community and learnt what they can do to keep themselves safe while also protecting others. Everyone had a turn at calling the appropriate emergency service, which was not always obvious - who would you call if you found someone needing help in a river? Everyone got a lot out of the 'Castle Alleyway' scenario, and found an impressive number of dangers 'around the house'.



Catering

Caterlink is our current school meal provider and after the Easter break, they will be changing the way food is served in school, due to national enhancements in protocols. As part of this change, they will no longer be able to accommodate individual food preferences. Allergies are always dealt with as a priority- this will not change. However, specific taste requests such as only eating certain foods when they are prepared in a particular way (e.g. cheese only when cooked) cannot be catered for, due to the large and ever increasing number of variations being requested. If your child has a very specific lifestyle or religious dietary requirement (eg. vegetarian but can eat fish/chicken), Caterlink will ensure compliance by applying straight forward rules- in this case only being able to provide a vegetarian option, and not a mix of options. Caterlink's meat is not



halal. To further support this change, from Easter, jacket potatoes and a selection of toppings, including a salad bar, will always be a third choice. We ask for your understanding with this change which will not affect the vast majority of the children. Please contact the office if you'd like to talk about this or clarify any choices.

Going forward, how to support your child: It is a good idea to reinforce this at home by talking through the menu at the weekend to see what choices are on offer for the upcoming week. Children will need to be aware of their food preferences when making their choices at registration.

The menu can always be found on our website - <https://www.ladygrove-park.oxon.sch.uk/parents/school-lunches>.

If your child has a food allergy, intolerance, or food-related medical condition, please be assured that these needs will continue to be catered for. To support this, you must complete again the dietary needs form and return it to the school office (even if you have completed one previously):

<https://www.ladygrove-park.oxon.sch.uk/resources/1269c531-e18d-457c-b603-bb8462de24e8>

Parent Governor Elections!

A letter has been emailed last week via ParentPay about two parent governor vacancies. This letter is also on our website alongside the Qualifications and Disqualifications of a parent governor document - <https://www.ladygrove-park.oxon.sch.uk/key-info/governors>

All nominations to be emailed to the school office by **9am on Monday 16th March 2026**.

You can nominate yourself. Each nomination must be signed by the candidate stating they are willing to stand. We need no more than a 250 word personal statement saying why you would like to be a governor. If we have more than two governor nominations, ballot forms will be sent home on Tuesday 17th March.



GOVERNOR ELECTIONS

Celebrating Success

Mihika from Class 6 performed in 42nd Street at the Scotts Showcase, New theatre, Oxford for the second time last weekend. Her group performed a tap dance. Well done Mihika!

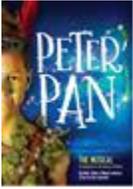


Dates for Spring Term 4...

Please keep checking these dates for any additions or amendments!

Monday 16th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class Photos - children come to school wearing full uniform. If it is their normal PE day, please bring trainers to change into. 9am - Governor nominations deadline (see above)
Tuesday 17th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 6 Didcot Railway Centre Trip - Refer to letter here.
Wednesday 18th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Tennis Association Roadshow Sessions - Reception, Year 1 and 2 Year 1 Sing & Sign Club (selected pupils), 3.10 - 4.00pm - Last one! Year 5 & 6 Crochet Club (selected pupils), 3.10 - 4.15pm - Last one! Choir Club, 3.10 - 4.00pm - last one this term
Friday 20th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class 11 Swimming, remember towels and costumes! PALS Spring Disco - see Notices Section below
Tuesday 24th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 6 Cycle Training - remember bikes and helmets!
Wednesday 25th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 4 Production, 1.20pm - see below
Thursday 26th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 4 Production, 9.15am - see below
Friday 27th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class 11 Swimming, remember towels and costumes! 1pm - Cycle Training Test Day - remember bikes and helmets! Last Day of Term 4 - normal finish time

Notices

<p>Attendance</p> <p>Please email the school office. <u>Do not email the year group.</u></p>	<p>If your child is not in school, you must notify us by leaving a message on our answer phone or by emailing office.2609@ladygrove-park.oxon.sch.uk before 9am on each day of their absence. Email is preferable as we are finding it increasingly hard to understand due to unclear messages and poor telephone signal.</p> <p>Please state clearly and concisely your child's full name, class and their reason for absence - <u>being specific about the illness or medical needs</u>. You must inform the school in advance by email above, if you need to take your child for an educational setting visit, religious observance or similar. These absences will need to be pre agreed by us. No birthdays, cheaper holidays, altered holiday arrangements or similar will be agreed. In line with strict government legislation, they will be recorded as unauthorised on your child's attendance record.</p>
<p>Class Photos - Monday 16th March</p>	<p>On Monday 16th March, Starlight Images will be in school to take class photos. All children are to come to school wearing school uniform. If it is normally your child's PE day, please come to school in uniform and bring a pair of trainers to change into. Many thanks.</p>
<p>Year 4 Production - Peter Pan</p> 	<p>Our Year 4 Production this year is "Peter Pan"</p> <p>Parents and carers are invited to come and watch on the following days: Wednesday 25th March, 1.20pm Thursday 26th March, 9.15am</p> <p>Tickets are now on sale from the school office. Tickets cost £2 and there is a maximum of 2 tickets per child, per performance. Any additional tickets can be purchased from Monday 23rd March.</p>
<p>Celebrating Birthday's - ditch the sweets!</p>	<p>Birthdays are a wonderful time to celebrate! For families that would like to bring in something to share with the class, we ask parents to skip sweets and instead bring a 'Birthday Book' for the class to enjoy and to donate to the school library. Please note that there is no expectation for this, but only for families that would like to!</p>
<p>Flower Beds</p> 	<p>You may have noticed the beautiful flower bed in the courtyard, which has recently been planted to brighten the space for everyone in our school community. It has already brought lots of smiles to both staff and children, and we hope parents have enjoyed seeing it too.</p> <p>Last Friday and again this morning, we noticed that a few of the newly planted flowers had been pulled out. We would really appreciate your help in reminding children (especially younger pre-school siblings) to take care around the flower beds so that we can all continue to enjoy them as they grow and flourish. Thank you very much for your continued support in helping us look after our shared school environment.</p>
<p>PALS Spring Disco Friday 20th March 2026</p>	<p>Tickets are now also on sale for PALS Spring Disco, taking place on Friday 20th March 2026. Nursery and FS: 3.15 - 4pm Years 1 and 2: 4.15 - 5pm Years 3 and 4: 5.15 - 6pm Years 5 and 6: 6.15 - 7pm Tickets cost £4 per child. For more information and to book go to: https://forms.gle/yf1XL2VknstDnQ1s5</p>
<p>School Vacancies</p>	<p>We are currently recruiting for the following vacancies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● HLTA● Teaching Assistant● After School Club Playworkers <p>For further information about the roles, please visit our website here - https://www.ladygrove-park.oxon.sch.uk/headteacher-welcome/school-vacancies Deadline for applications is Monday 16th March, 9am.</p>

<p>SEND Local Offer</p> <p>SEND Together</p>  <p>Healthier Together Website</p>	<p>Have you heard of the Local Offer website for Oxfordshire? It brings together information about support and services for parents, carers, children and young people with additional needs aged 0-25. Find out more...</p>  <p>SEND Together Date: 26th March 2026 Time: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Location: The King’s Centre, Oxford</p> <p>SEND Together is a free Local Area Partnership event for parent carers in Oxfordshire, bringing parent carers together with SEND professionals and organisations from across Education, Health and Social Care. It’s a chance to connect, learn, share experiences and have your voice heard. Register for the waiting list here</p> <p>‘Healthier Together’ website for families</p> <p>This NHS website makes it easy for families to find trusted health advice for their children quickly and confidently. It includes advice and tips on treating common conditions and illnesses for new babies, children aged one to 11, young people and pregnant mums. Visit the website here</p>
<p>SJ Multisports - Easter Holidays</p> 	<p>SJ Multisports is running a multi-sports holiday camp in the Easter holidays for Ladygrove Park Primary School children in Years 1 - 6. This will take place at school on various dates throughout the Easter holidays. To book a place, scan the QR code in the poster at the end of this newsletter or visit https://sj-multisports.classforkids.io If you have queries, please email sjmultisportscamp@gmail.com</p>
<p>External Clubs and Activities</p>	<p>If you are looking for external clubs and activities taking place in the local area, or for any upcoming holiday camps, please visit this page on our website - https://www.ladygrove-park.oxon.sch.uk/parents/external-clubs-activities</p> <p>New additions this week:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ University of Oxford Department of Physics - Upcoming Public Events ★ Bounce Park Didcot - Easter Session Dates



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YOU'RE INVITED!
YEAR 5 EXPERIENCE LESSONS

**SCIENCE ACIDS AND ALKALIS
POTION MIXING WORKSHOP!**
TUESDAY 17TH MARCH
3:45PM - 4:45PM



To ensure your son secures a place, please register using the QR code or the link provided in the caption.



You're Invited!

Open Mornings
March, May and June 2026



Aureus School
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Autumn Winter
2025 2026

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

WEEK ONE

03/11/25
24/11/25
15/12/25
19/01/26
09/02/26
09/03/26

Option One

Creamy Coconut & Chickpea Curry Served with Rice

Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread 

Roast Chicken, Roast Potatoes and Gravy

BBQ Chicken Pasta

Fishfingers with Chips

Option Two

Vegetable Curry served with Rice

Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Bread

Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy

BBQ Quorn Pasta

Cheese and Bean Pasty with Chips

Vegetables

Vegetables of the Day

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Fruit Medley 

Vegetables of the Day

Baked Beans

Dessert

Cheese and Crackers

NEW Apple Crumb Cake

Fruit Medley

Jelly with Mandarins 

Cookie

WEEK TWO

10/11/25
01/12/25
05/01/26
26/01/26
23/02/26
16/03/26

Option One

Classic Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Wedges 

Spaghetti Bolognaise

 **CHICKEN SHACK**
Roast Chicken or Quorn Roast Potatoes and Gravy

Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Rice 

Fishfingers with Chips

Option Two

Vegetable Pizza with wedges 

Vegan Spaghetti Bolognaise

Vegetables of the Day

Plant Balls in a Tomato Sauce with Rice 

Cheese Whirl with Chips

Vegetables

Vegetables of the Day 

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Peas

Dessert

NEW Gingerbread Cookie 

Chocolate and Beetroot Brownie with Chocolate Sauce

Fruit Salad 

Sticky Toffee Apple Crumble 

Vanilla Shortbread 

WEEK THREE

17/11/25
08/12/25
12/01/26
02/02/26
02/03/26
23/03/26

Option One

Jacket Potato served with Cheese

Beef Pasta Bolognaise

Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy

 Mild Caribbean Chicken with Rice

Fishfingers with Chips

Option Two

Jacket Potato served with Baked Beans

Tomato Pasta

Quorn Roast and Roast Potatoes and Gravy 

Caribbean Stew with Rice 

Cheese Omelette with Chips

Vegetables

Vegetables of the Day 

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Baked Beans

Dessert

Oaty Cookie 

Pear Crumble 

Fruit Salad 

NEW Jamaican Ginger Cake 

Cookie

MENU KEY



Added Plant Protein



Wholemeal



Vegan



Chef's Special

ALLERGY INFORMATION:

If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of allergen cross contact.



Scan to book



MULTISPORTS CAMP

TIME SLOTS & PRICING

8:30-15:30 (£25)

8:30- 16:30 (£27)

FOR ALL GENDERS
YEAR 1-6 ONLY
LPPS PUPILS ONLY
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- Water bottle
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Ladygrove Park Primary School
Entrance & exit via hall doors

Easter dates:

WK1

Thursday 2nd April

WK2

Tuesday 7th April

Wednesday 8th April

Thursday 9th April



from the
Ladygrove
Church

Come and join us: **Saturday** afternoon
21st March 3pm onwards to 5pm,
finishing with a light tea together.

It's at All Saints School, Tamar Way.



This time we are
looking at:

***Palm Sunday to
Easter Day***

More details from
07918 414502

