



Newsletter #20

Friday 6th February 2026

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[Standard Termly Information](#)

A big thank you to everyone who attended the PALS Quiz last Friday to witness Mr Markham's dinner jacket attire, as the quiz master. It was a very close competition, with **Get Schooled!** finishing just 2.5 points ahead of **When I Say Pub, You Say Quiz... PUB!** Congratulations to all teams for taking part and making the evening so enjoyable. A special mention also goes to **Our Drinking Team Still Has a Trivia Problem**, who received the wooden spoon award.

We are delighted to share that a fantastic £200.45 was raised for school. Thank you to Rebecca and the PALS team for organising teams and for the questions. Thank you to everyone else for your continued support.



This week...

Reception held a Phonics and Early Reading workshop on Thursday morning. Lots of families attended to learn about how we teach the Read, Write Inc program and how to support their child's reading at home. We then joined Classes 2 and 3 to share stories and look at all the things we have been working on together. The children are so proud of their achievements and it was a lovely opportunity for the grownups to see all their hard work. Thank you to all those that managed to attend and we have shared the slides on Google Classroom for you to refer back to, or for those that could not attend.

Assembly

This week we looked at our green Ladygrove Standard once again but from a different perspective. We discussed how important it is for people to feel like they belong. We watched a video about a character who was new to their environment. We saw how the character initially found it hard to join in with others. Everyone seemed to have their own groups and interests to which the character felt alien. Eventually the character realised that he just needed to join in because everyone was, in fact, interested in him. We showed the children how this feeling of belonging is very important and is a fundamental part of Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs pyramid. The children then discussed what things made them feel like they belonged when they were at home and at school- answers were as insightful as ever: family, pets and memories. I also reminded them that things like house groups and even uniform were ways to help them feel like they belong.

Parent Meetings - taking place next week!

Hopefully you have now booked your slots for the parent meetings taking place next week. If you have not received your booking link, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

Just a reminder that for children on the SEND Register:

Years 1-6 Parents: Your class teacher will contact you directly to arrange a separate appointment time. You do not need to book an appointment using the email sent. If you have booked in error, your teacher will cancel the appointment.

Reception Parents: Please arrange an appointment using the link sent yesterday. Your class teacher will also be in contact to arrange a separate SEND appointment.

Dates for Spring Term 3...

Please keep checking these dates for any additions or amendments!

Children's Mental Health Week

Next week is Children's mental health week and to support the theme of '**This is My Place**' we are excited to be creating a shared art piece in the hall, created by all members of our school community. We look forward to sharing the finished piece with you!

[Place2Be](#) have created this [Resource Pack for Families](#). The pack contains everything you need to take part in the week – from top tips and fun activities to information on how to take part in raising vital funds for children's mental health.



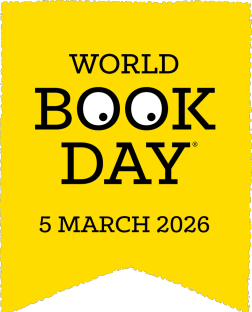
Mon 9th - Thurs 12th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Online Parent Meetings - please refer to your email for the booking/appointment links.
Tuesday 10th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 6 Cycle Training, Test day - remember bikes and helmets!
Wednesday 11th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 6 Artwork Showcase for Parents and Carers, 2 - 2.30pm in the hall. Refer to email sent on ParentPay 30/01.
Friday 13th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PALS Dress Up Day, see Notices section below.• Class 10 Swimming, remember towels and costumes!• Last Day of Term 3 - normal finish time

Dates for Spring Term 4...

Please keep checking these dates for any additions or amendments!

Monday 23rd February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Start of Spring Term 4
Friday 27th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Class 10 Swimming - Last one for Class 10. Remember towels and costumes!
Wednesday 4th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reception and Year 6 Weighing and Measuring. Refer to letter here.• Year 1 Sing & Sign Club (selected pupils), 3.10 - 4.00pm• Year 5 & 6 Crochet Club (selected pupils), 3.10 - 4.15pm
Thursday 5th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• World Book Day - see you Notices section below
Friday 6th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Class 11 Swimming, remember towels and costumes!
Wednesday 11th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Class 14 Rewley Road Trip. Refer to letter here.• Year 1 Sing & Sign Club (selected pupils), 3.10 - 4.00pm• Year 5 & 6 Crochet Club (selected pupils), 3.10 - 4.15pm
Thursday 12th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Class 15 Rewley Road Trip. Refer to letter here.
Friday 13th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Class 11 Swimming, remember towels and costumes!
Monday 16th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Class Photos - more details to follow
Wednesday 18th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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!
Friday 20th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Class 11 Swimming, remember towels and costumes!• PALS Spring Disco - see Notices Section below
Wednesday 25th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 4 Production, 1.20pm - more details to follow
Thursday 26th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 4 Production, 9.15am - more details to follow
Friday 27th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Class 11 Swimming, remember towels and costumes!• 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. <u>Email is preferable as we are finding it increasingly hard to understand due to unclear messages and poor telephone signal.</u></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>Polite Reminder regarding punctuality</p> 	<p>We have recently noticed an increase in the number of children arriving at school after registration time. Arriving late can be unsettling for children, as lessons have already started, and it can also cause disruption to both the classroom and the school office. Being punctual is an important life skill, and developing good habits early helps children feel settled and ready to learn each day.</p> <p>We would also like to remind families about the importance of prompt collection at the end of the school day. Recently, we have seen more late pick-ups, which can be difficult for children and staff. The school office closes at 3:30pm, and staff have other responsibilities and commitments after this time.</p> <p>We really appreciate your support in helping children arrive on time and be collected promptly. Working together ensures a smooth, positive, and safe school day for everyone. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.</p>
<p>Medicines in school</p> 	<p>We would like to remind families that children <u>should not</u> bring non-prescribed medicines such as cough sweets or herbal remedies. Recently, we have noticed an increase in these items being brought in bags, which can pose a safety risk, including choking or being shared with other children.</p> <p>To help us keep everyone safe and well, we kindly ask for your support in ensuring that these items are kept at home. Thank you for helping us to maintain a safe learning environment for all our pupils.</p>
<p>World Book Day Thursday 5th March</p> 	<p>World Book Day is on Thursday 5th March and we will be celebrating books in all their glory. The children (and staff) are welcome to dress up as an interesting adjective from their favourite book (e.g. sparkly, stripey, graceful, dazzling). We strongly encourage you to use what you already have at home to create these costumes. The children are welcome to bring in their book to share with their class. If they do not wish to dress up they can come in school uniform. Each class will be spending the whole day off timetable, exploring, reading and celebrating books. Teachers will be sharing some of their favourite books with the children and as always, children will be given World Book Day tokens on the day to purchase this year's World Book Day books, or towards another book of their choice at most book shops.</p> <p><u>Sponsored Read</u></p> <p>Alongside all the activities we will be completing in school on World Book Day, we are also encouraging the children to participate in a 'Sponsored Read' in the week running up to it. The children can read or be read to 'anything with words' - for example this could be a recipe book, an instruction manual or magazine/comic! We are asking that all sponsor forms and money (cash only please) are handed in on World Book Day. If your child completes this they will earn 5 Gold Stars! A sponsorship form will be sent home next week, please look out for these in your child's bag. The money we raise from the sponsored read will be used by the school to purchase new reading material for the children. Thank you!</p>

<p>SEND Connect: Save the date</p> <p>Short Breaks</p>	<p>Date: 26th March 2026 Time: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Location: The King's Centre, Oxford</p> <p>Are you a parent carer looking for guidance and support? SEND Together is a free event designed to provide valuable information, advice, and networking opportunities on key SEND topics. More information to follow!</p> <p><u>Short Breaks: Rest and recharge</u> Short breaks give children with SEND enjoyable experiences and provide parents with valuable time to recharge. These can include after-school clubs, day trips, or specialist activities. Oxfordshire Council offers grant funding and a mailing list for updates on short breaks. Click here for more information</p>
<p>PALS</p>	<p>The PALS Non-Uniform Day is taking place next Friday 13th February. Children are welcome to come to school wearing something Red, White or Pink (maybe even something with hearts on!). Suggested donation of £2 per child. PALS reps will be on the gates to take any card payments, or your child can hand cash to their teacher in the morning.</p> <p>PALS Spring Disco Tickets now also on sale for PALS Spring Disco - <u>20th March 2026</u> 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>SJ Multisports February Half Term Camp</p>	<p>SJ Multisports will be running their Holiday Camp on 16th, 17th and 18th February. See the flyer at the end of this newsletter for further information. If you would like to book a place, please visit https://sj-multisports.classforkids.io. For any queries, please contact 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"> ★ Elite Sports February Half Term Camps ★ Ultimate Activity Camps ★ Full Circle Sports - February Half Term Activity Camp ★ YouMove Mini Family Fun Day - Thursday 19th February ★ YouMove Summer of Fun - 17th - 19th February ★ The North Wall - Half Term Family Fun ★ XPlorer Fun, family challenge - Wednesday 18th February ★ Discover Bucks Museum February Half Term ★ Matt Fiddes Martial Arts - book a trial ★ Applications for Junior Bake Off - closing date 15th March 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

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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**

Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Rice 


Fishfingers with Chips

Option Two

Vegetable Pizza with wedges 


Vegan Spaghetti Bolognaise

Roast Chicken or Quorn Roast Potatoes and Gravy

Plant Balls in a Tomato Sauce with Rice 

Cheese Whirl with Chips

Vegetables

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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

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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



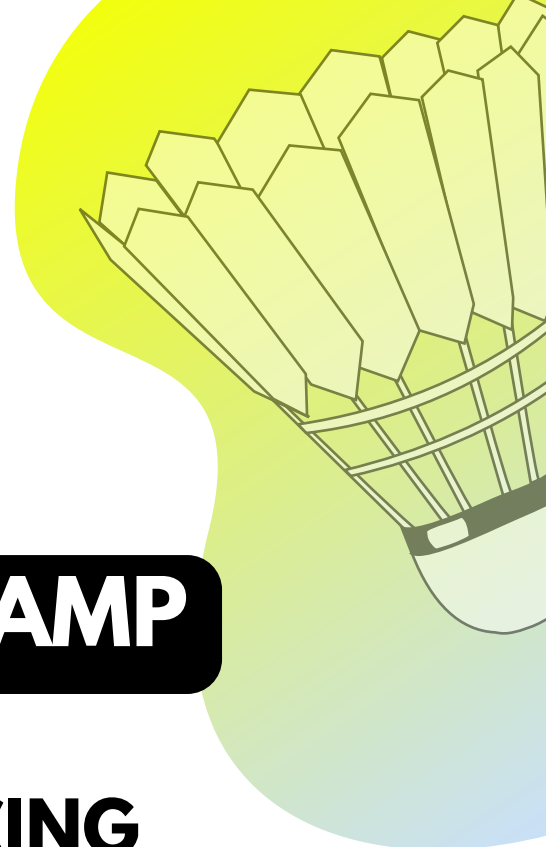
Chef's Special

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

KS1 & KS2

LPPS PUPILS ONLY

SIBLING DISCOUNT 10%



DBS CERTIFIED

FIRST AID TRAINED

SAFEGUARDING TRAINED

What to bring:

- Packed lunch
(No nuts)
- Water bottle
- Sports wear

**MAX 30 SPACES
PER DAY!**



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Entrance & exit via hall doors

February dates:
Monday 16th
Tuesday 17th
Wednesday 18th