



Last Friday, a group of our **Year 1** and **Year 2** children brought incredible energy to the Open KS1 Athletics Festival at Cholsey Primary. They leapt, sprinted, threw and balanced their way through a series of fun challenges with amazing spirit. Congratulations to one of our three teams, which secured a fantastic second-place finish overall! Well done to all our young athletes. You all were brilliant! Thanks to Mr Francis for arranging and accompanying the children, and to all the parents for picking up/dropping off.

This week...

Year 6 completed their SATs tests in Grammar, Punctuation, Spelling, Reading and Maths this week. They did a fantastic job with them. This was the first time they have experienced a formal, controlled test environment. They approached it with amazing focus and diligence and did themselves proud! To start the day, each morning they came in for a special SATs Breakfast - thanks to our cook, Gill for providing this. They spent time celebrating yesterday and even had a celebratory Dominos Pizza lunch. We would like to say a huge thank you to the parents and carers for arranging this for the children along with other treats. Thank you to the rest of the school for being so respectful towards their need to focus during the week. But the hard work is not over, the children are also assessed on their writing skills. This takes more of a form of in-class 'coursework' rather than a test. Year 6 will be completing their writing tasks over the next few weeks while also being introduced to a lot of post SAT opportunities and events.



Immediately after the SATs finished, we had a visit from author Fiona Dixon. She came to talk to **Years 4, 5 and 6** on Thursday to introduce them to her brand new book - **Crow - Thief of Magic**. We saw inside her fantastical world and met some of the main characters, and also found out about what inspires Fiona as an author and how she approaches the process of writing. Thanks too to [Mostly Books](#) in Abingdon who arranged this author visit - they have further signed copies of the book for sale at their fantastic bookshop.



Congratulations to our **Year 5/6 Cyclists** for completing their Level 2 Cycle Training Course this week. Well done to Savannah, Ella Nicole, BB, Dylan, Amy, Ruby, Sophia, Casper and Shovik. A big thank you also to Karen and our Cycling Training volunteers for running this course for our children. A letter will be sent over the next week to those selected for the next Year 5 group, so keep an eye out for this.

Assembly

While Year 4, 5 and 6 were with the visiting author, Year 1, 2 and 3 had their first ever outdoor assembly. They were well focused as we talked about the theme 'outdoor play'. We asked children to demonstrate examples of things they like to play at playtime. We saw variations of tag games, dance/gymnastics routines and hand clapping games. We then discussed the use of play resources, everyone was very clear that resources should be used appropriately and for what they were designed. We then introduced some new ideas, giving the children other options for play. Finally, we explained that play can be grouped into different types, some of which are: imaginative, locomotor, dramatic, rush, communication, exploratory and fantasy play.

Pupil Responsibility Groups

We have a new small Year 4 responsibility group which is aligned with Year 4's previous enquiry on electricity. A group of girls are currently monitoring our electricity usage. Once a week Kevin gives them the current usage figure and since the start of term they have been plotting this, firstly on a hand made graph but now with Google Sheets. They are going to present some of their ideas to the school about saving energy and they will then monitor if this has had an impact.

Celebrating Success



Zachary in Class 15 was excited to visit the Royal Albert Hall last Friday to celebrate Sir David Attenborough's 100th birthday! He enjoyed watching clips from his documentaries, listening to the live music and singing Happy Birthday to Sir David at the end of the evening. Such a special event!

Last week, Vivaan from Class 9 participated in the Maidenhead Juniors Chess Tournament and won 1st place in the 'Beginners' Division. With this achievement, he has now moved up sections and will now be placed in 'Intermediate' Division. Congratulations Vivaan!



Get Active Week - Can you help?

Monday 15th - Friday 19th June



Get Active Week is back! Our fun-filled week of sports and activities is always a fun time for pupils, and we'd love parents/carers to get involved by leading or supporting an activity during the week (*but not on Wednesday 17th which is Sports Day*). As before, we are looking for any traditional sports but also any innovative or different physical activities. Last time, we covered Yoga, Korf Ball, Taekwondo, Kung Fu, Rugby, Badminton and a lot more.

If you'd like to help, please complete this Google Form and we will get back to you - <https://forms.gle/gfTvNSyieVaqGdFA8>
No pressure, any contribution is greatly appreciated, the teacher will lead the class with your input!

Curriculum Open Evening



We would like to welcome all parents/carers to a Curriculum Open Evening. The evening will run from 3.15-5pm in our school hall and will be a drop in evening so please arrive at any suitable time. The teachers and staff will be on hand to share information about our phonics, reading, writing, maths and enquiry curriculums, as well as useful resources. They will be happy to answer any questions or queries you have about our curriculum and there will be resources available to take home. Children are welcome to attend with parents.

Tuesday 2nd June - Year 1, 2 and 3 parents (as well as current Reception parents as rising Year 1s)

Tuesday 19th May - Year 4, 5 and 6 parents (as well as current Year 3 parents as rising Year 4s)

Please arrive at the front office to attend the evening. We look forward to seeing you there!

Dates for Summer Term 5 and 6...

Please keep checking these dates for any additions or amendments!


Tuesday 19th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DGS & SBS Transition Visit at LPPS, 9am in the school hall. Parents invited. • Year 4, 5 and 6 Parent Curriculum Open Evening, 3.15-5pm in the school hall
Wednesday 20th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Big Summer Sing - Choir Pupils. Refer to letter here.
Friday 22nd May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception Vision Screening - Refer to letter here / Leaflet here • Last Day of Term 5 - normal finish time
Monday 1st June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Start of Term 6 • Year 4 Class 10 Depart to Hill End
Tuesday 2nd June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 1, 2 and 3 Parent Curriculum Open Evening, 3.15-5pm in the school hall
Wednesday 3rd June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 4 Class 11 Depart to Hill End • Year 4 Class 10 Return from Hill End
Friday 5th June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 4 Class 11 Return from Hill End
Monday 15th - Friday 19th June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get Active Week - activities in school
Wednesday 17th June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sports Day
Tuesday 23rd June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TVP Cyber Security Talk to Parents and Carers, 5pm - more details to follow
Wednesday 24th June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sports Day Backup (in case of bad weather!)
Saturday 27th June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PALS Summer Fete, 2-5pm
Tuesday 30th June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 4 STEM Workshop (in school)
Tuesday 7th & Wednesday 8th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6: Aureus, DGS & SBS Induction Days


Tuesday 14th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 6 Production, 9.15am and 1.30pm - more details to follow
Thursday 16th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 6 Leavers Assembly, 9.15am Last day of term - normal finish time

Club Dates this term (selected pupils)

























Year 3 & 4 Drama Club (Mr Mackriell), Monday, 3.10 - 4pm	Term 5: 20th, 27th April and 11th May Term 6: 8th, 15th 22nd and 29th June
Year 4 TTRS Club (Mrs Wiles), Wednesday, 3.10 - 4pm	Term 5: 22nd, 29th April, 6th, 13th and 20th May Term 6: 10th June
Year 5 & 6 Netball Club (Mrs Clarkson), Wednesday, 3.10 - 4pm	Term 5: 22nd, 29th April, 6th and 13th May Term 6: 10th, 17th, 24th June and 1st July
Year 4, 5 & 6 Choir Club (Mrs Fowkes), Wednesday, 3.10 - 4pm	Term 5: 15th, 22nd, 29th April, 6th, 13th May. Big Summer Sing - 20th May
Year 1 Phonics Cub (Mrs Cook and Mrs Lai), Thursday, 3.10 - 3.50pm	Now finished
Year 3 Gardening Club (Mrs Hicks and Mrs Burnett), Thursday, 3.10 - 4pm	Now finished
Year 2 Poetry Club (Mrs Li-Koo), Thursday, 3.10 - 4pm	Term 5: 23rd, 30th April, 14th and 21st May

Notices

<p>Attendance</p> <p>Please email the school office. Do not email the year group.</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>The Big Future Survey</p> 	<p>As Children's Commissioner, I am writing to ask you to ensure all of your children complete my new survey, The Big Future.</p> <p>Under the Children Act 2004, it is my role to promote the views and interests of children in England, and I have done this so far by conducting the two largest ever children's surveys: The Big Ask and The Big Ambition.</p> <p>Now, for the first time, hundreds of thousands of children will be eligible to vote in the next general election, the biggest change to the franchise in half a century. Yet just one in five children say politicians listen to them. That's why I'm launching my final survey, The Big Future.</p> <p>Your students should complete the survey here: http://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture</p> <p>I want to make sure that I hear from as many children as possible, aged 0-18, from all backgrounds, in all schools and colleges, and in every part of the country. To do that, I need your help.</p> <p>I am asking children about the changes they want to see in their communities, their biggest concerns, and their hopes for the future. More than anything, I want to know what they think a good childhood should look like today.</p> <p>I will be publishing my findings next year, and they will be used to advocate at the highest</p>

	<p>level for solutions that children want to see, to the problems that they tell me are most important to them. Thank you for your support. Yours sincerely, Dame Rachel de Souza Children's Commissioner</p>
<p>PALS</p>	<p>Superhero Half Term Trail - 23rd - 31st May PALS are running a superhero trail during May Half Term. Find the Superheroes hiding in people's windows on the Ladygrove! Find all 17 to crack the codes. Trail Map, Pencil and Sweets can be purchased for £2 at the school gates on 15th and 21st May from 8.40 - 8.50am.</p>
<p>SJ Multisports - May Half Term Holiday Camp</p>	<p>Mr Froude and Mr Humphries will be running a multi sports holiday camp in the May Half Term for Ladygrove Park Primary School children in Years 1 - 6. This will take place at school on Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th May. 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 New additions this week:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ The Bounce Park Reading ★ The Oxford & Cambridge Singing School - 21 -23 July 2026 ★ Moulsoford Ultimate Activity Camps - Summer Holidays ★ Sutton Courtenay Environmental Centre - Summer Holiday Events ★ Up to No Good Mountain Bike Festival - Saturday 20th June ★ Active Communities May Half Term Activities ★ May Cricket Camp - 27th/28th May ★ Xplorer May Fun, Family Challenge - Tuesday 26th May

SPRING SUMMER MENU 2026

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MENU KEY:
WEEK ONE 13.04.26 04.05.26 01.06.26 22.06.26 13.07.26	Option One	Macaroni Cheese	 Phat Pasty Pork Sausage Roll with Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	 Spaghetti Beef Bolognaise	Fishfingers with Chips	 Whole grain  Plant based  Added plant protein  Chef's Special
	Option Two	Tomato Pasta	Mexican Bean Roll with Potato Wedges	 Roasted Quorn, Roast Potatoes, & Gravy	Vegan Bolognaise	Cheese & Bean Pasty with Chips	
	Sides	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	
	Dessert	NEW Banana Mousse	Orange Drizzle Cake	 Fruit Platter	 Apple Flapjack 	 Cookie	
	WEEK TWO 20.04.26 11.05.26 08.06.26 29.06.26	Option One	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Summer Mixed Salad 	 Beef Chilli with Rice & Sweetcorn & Cucumber Salsa 	Roast Chicken, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Greek Chicken Pitta with Herby Rice & Salad	
Option Two	Rainbow Pizza With Summer Mixed Salad 	Mild Mexican Quorn Chilli with Rice & Sweetcorn & Cucumber Salsa	 Quorn Roast Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Greek Spinach & Cheese Whirl with Herby Rice & Salad	NEW Cheesy Broccoli Frittata with Chips		
Sides	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day		
Dessert	Vanilla Sponge	Ice Cream	 Freshly Chopped Fruit Salad	Jam & Coconut Sponge with Custard	 Oaty Cookie 		
WEEK THREE 27.04.26 18.05.26 15.06.26 06.07.26	Option One	Sweet Potato Curry with Rice	 Beef Burger with Potato Wedges & Rainbow Slaw	Roast of the Day, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	 Beef Pasta in Tomato Sauce 	Fishfingers with Chips	
	Option Two	Chickpea Curry with Rice	Vegetable Burger with Potato Wedges & Rainbow Slaw	Quorn Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Vegetable Pasta in Tomato Sauce	Cheese & Spinach Whirl	
	Sides	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	
	Dessert	Peach Cake	Cheese & Crackers	 Fruit Medley	Apple Cake 	 Vanilla Shortbread	
AVAILABLE DAILY:		Jacket Potatoes with a choice of fillings, Salad Bar					

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.



PALS SUPERHERO HALF TERM TRAIL 23-31 MAY

**Find the Superheroes hiding
in people's windows on the
Ladygrove!**

**Find all 17 to crack the codes
TRAIL MAP, PENCIL AND
SWEETS CAN BE PURCHASED
FOR £2**

**(AT SCHOOL GATES 8:40-8:50
15TH AND 21ST MAY)**





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LPPS PUPILS ONLY
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○
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FIRST AID TRAINED
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What to bring:

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- Water bottle
- Sports wear
- Sun cream & hat

**MAX 30 SPACES
PER DAY!**



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May dates:

Tuesday 26th May
Wednesday 27th May
Thursday 28th May