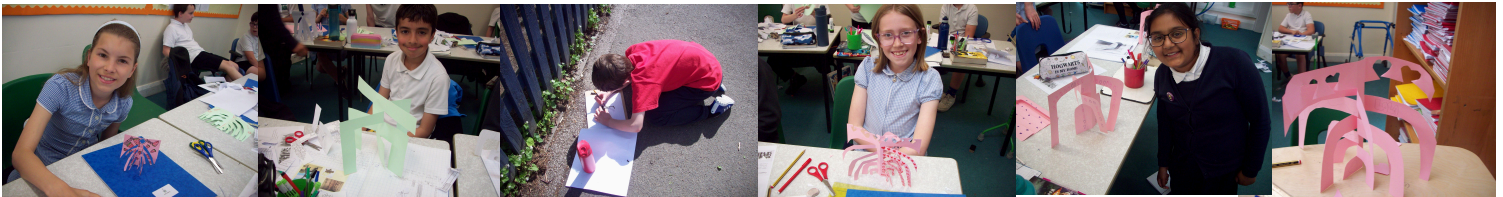


This week...

Year 6 has had great fun this week in a range of activities. We have used our creativity in making Calder inspired stables and exploring shadow art. We also had a visit from Thames Valley Police Cyber Crime Unit, who explained cyber security and the dangers of phishing and hacking online. They will be returning in June to undertake a parent workshop after school. More information to follow when the date is confirmed.



We were delighted this week to have received a donation from Tesco Didcot of £150! This donation was greatly received and will go towards plans for our sensory garden refresh that the current Gardening Club are working on. We will share the finished results with you soon...

Assembly

This week we split the topic but kept the theme. KS2 discussed dynamic risk assessing. We looked at how adults mitigate risks and how, as the children get older, they need to take more responsibility for safety. We explained that the way to do this is by analysing the likelihood of something being a hazard against the amount of danger it presents. For example, although answering a question in class and getting the answer wrong may feel risky, it is a good risk. Whereas, attempting to swing from the first to the fourth bar on the monkey bars has a high risk- the likelihood has increased due to the choice being made. We discussed this in terms of the risks presented by a playground when covered in snow. The answers were very thoughtful and varied. KS1 children discussed the risks presented by the sun as we start to move into the hotter weather. They described how to keep themselves safe when out in the sun.



Celebrating Success

Olivia from Class 8 took part in Tennis Oxfordshire's County Cup Event over the weekend, Olivia was one of four girls representing Oxfordshire in the U8 girls' team event. They were thrilled to have finished 2nd! Olivia brought her medal into school to share with her class and said that her favourite part was the doubles. Congratulations Olivia!

A message from Mrs Guiry..

On Sunday 26th April, I ran the London marathon for Meningitis Research Foundation with my brother, raising over £2,500. It was a truly magical day and big tick on my lifetime bucket list. Thank you to all the parents and children for your support and well wishes.



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!

Monday 4th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● BANK HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 5th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Year 1 Sutton Courtenay Nature Reserve Trip - Refer to letter here ● Year 5 Cycle Training - remember bikes and helmets!
Monday 11th - Thursday 14th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Year 6 SATS - Click here for the SATs breakfast letter
Tuesday 12th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Year 5 Cycle Training - remember bikes and helmets!
Friday 15th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Year 5 Cycle Training - remember bikes and helmets!
Tuesday 19th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● DGS & SBS Transition Visit at LPPS, 9am. 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
Thursday 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 7th & Wednesday 8th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6: Aureus, DGS & SBS Induction Days
Thursday 16th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 May. Big Summer Sing - 20th May
Year 1 Phonics Cub (Mrs Cook and Mrs Lai), Thursday, 3.10 - 3.50pm	Term 5: 23rd, 30th April, 7th and 14th May
Year 3 Gardening Club (Mrs Hicks and Mrs Burnett), Thursday, 3.10 - 4pm	Term 5: 23rd, 30th April, 7th and 14th May
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>Extended Schools - Current Children</p>	<p>It's that time of the year again, when we need to start thinking about September 2026. Just a reminder that we ask that all our current children complete the form that has been emailed by Friday 22nd May 2026. After this date any places remaining will be offered to the children on the waiting list.</p> <p>If you require any changes to the days needed, it will depend on availability - currently we do not have any spaces available.</p> <p>We aim to let parents/carers know by the end of July our availability for spaces.</p>
<p>Chicken Pox</p>	<p>We have had a confirmed case of Chicken Pox in school. Children will feel generally unwell before spots/blisters appear. Children will need to stay off school until all the blisters have crusted over (this tends to be around 7-10 days, depending on the severity). More information can be found here - https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/chickenpox.</p> <p>If a pregnant woman develops a rash or is in direct contact with somebody with a potential infectious rash this should be investigated by a doctor. Chicken Pox can affect the</p>

	pregnancy if the woman has not already had the infection. As always, please seek medical advice if you have any concerns.
Short Breaks Update	Click on the links below for the April edition of the Short Breaks Update for Families with Disabled Children and Young People: Upcoming Activities Regular Activities Other Information Parent Carer Support Groups
SEND	<p>SEND Reform: Have Your Say</p> <p>The Government is currently consulting on the Schools White Paper which sets out its ideas for changes in SEND provision. During this 12-week consultation period, the Government has asked for the views of parent carers on their SEND proposals. This is an opportunity for you to comment directly on the Government's proposals. Have your say on or before the deadline of May 18th. Read OxPCF's blog about SEND reform here</p> <p>Things to do</p> <p>Find activities and clubs that are local for you! Visit Things to do to find out more.</p> <p>Oxfordshire SEND Connect</p> <p>These frequent events hosted by OxPCF offer an informal space for parent carers to engage with a welcoming SEND community, share experiences, and stay informed about local initiatives and resources. Learn more</p>
External Clubs and Activities	<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 Camps Didcot ★ Messy Church - Saturday 9th May ★ MF Dance - New classes opening in Didcot. Book your free trial.



HAVE YOUR SAY : Fri 22 May 18:30

The Didcot & Wallingford Neighbourhood Policing Team will be holding a **Have Your Say** event on **Friday 22nd May at Didcot Library.**

This is an opportunity for local residents to meet their PCSOs, discuss any concerns, raise issues affecting the area, and hear about current policing priorities.

No appointment is necessary – please feel free to drop by. We look forward to seeing you there





YEAR 5 EXPERIENCE LESSONS

TUES
05
MAY

Choose one of the following:

**FOOD TECH | GEOGRAPHY |
MANDARIN | TECHNOLOGY**
3:45PM - 4:45PM

ENGLISH
3:45PM - 4:45PM

12
TUES
MAY

THURS
14
MAY

Choose one of the following:

MATHS | SPANISH
3:45PM - 4:45PM

Choose one of the following:

DRAMA & MUSIC | FRENCH
3:45PM - 4:45PM

21
THURS
MAY

























TUES
9
JUNE

PE
3:45PM - 4:45PM

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REGISTER:**



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	Fishfingers with Chips	
	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.



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1st April-20th July 2026

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Participating in this survey is a simple yet impactful way to
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