

Sciurus Novus 22/09/23

Welcome Back!



Dear Families

I can't believe we are already at the end of our third full week of the term! This week has been another week full of exciting learning. Year 1 are enjoying their ballet lessons, Year 2 and Year 4 are in their second week of swimming and our Year 6 children are off to UKSA today for a day of water sports! We really value being able to provide your children with these opportunities.

Thank you to the many of you who completed our questionnaire on Monday. We had a great response with 58% of families responding. 97% of responses strongly agreed or agree that their children are happy and feel safe at school, however, we want this to 100% so if you have any concerns, please do let us know so that we can help. Your response to our question about bullying showed that the vast majority of children have not experienced any bullying and, where it has occurred, you felt the school has dealt with it quickly and effectively. However, we want all families to be able to agree with this and on Monday, we are sharing our revised 'Anti-bullying Policy'. Please take a few minutes to have a read and to share any thoughts you may have.

I hope you enjoy our newsletter this week - there is so much to celebrate and you can find out more about our Home Learning and an exciting opportunity for our Year 6 children!

Thank you to all of you for all your support for your fantastic children and for our fabulous team. I hope you all have a wonderful weekend!

Best wishes

Mrs Sutton

Celebrations from around the school!





1 - Our Year 1 celebration super stars this week are: **Bingley, Joel, Michael and Sapphire**



2 - Our Year 2 celebration super stars this week are: Darcey, Hardy, Diego, Kady, Persephone and Elizabeth



3 - Our Year 3 celebration super stars this week are: **Archie, Emily, Lucie and Summer**



4 - Our Year 4 celebration super stars this week are: **Alfie, Esme-Lily, Madison, Diwata, Jasper and Leonardo**



5 - Our Year 5 celebration super stars this week are: Summer, Skyla, Logan, Miles, Max and Jacob-Jack



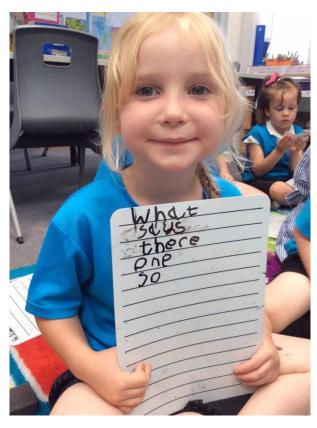
6 - Our Year 6 celebration super stars this week are: Poppy, Elsie, Reuben, Felix, Teyla and Marlon



7 - In Year 1 Rainbow Challenges – completed all six challenges in a week were **Zachary and Emily**. We love your dedication to your challenges!

Harley was awarded Mr. Andre's Gold token of the week for exceptional pride and the presentation in every piece of work this week. Fantastic!

Well done all.



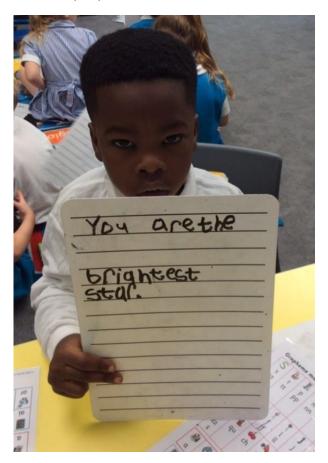
8 - **Emily** was our Year 1 Super Speller this week in Goldilocks and the Three Bears Class! Wow, amazing spelling!



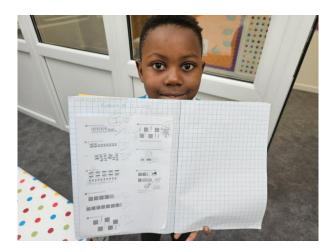
9 - **Emily** proudly wearing her Super Speller Badge this week.



10 - **Keegan** was awarded our Super Speller in The Elves and Shoemaker class week. Well done Keegan.



11 - A warm welcome to **Nathan Lucien** who joined Goldilocks and the Three Bears Class this week and immediately showed such pride and care in his learning – well done, we are so pleased to welcome you to our school and class family.



12 - **Shane** in Year 3 showing us some brilliant maths work this week.

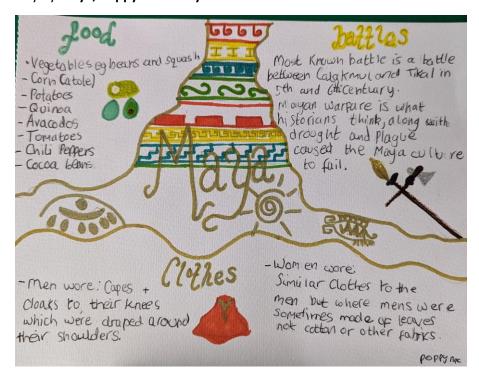


13 - **Aisling** in Year 1 completed her Summer Reading Challenge and we loved seeing your certificate and medal.



14 - Some amazing reading during the summer from **Freya and Teyla**. We love seeing your passion for reading in and out of school.

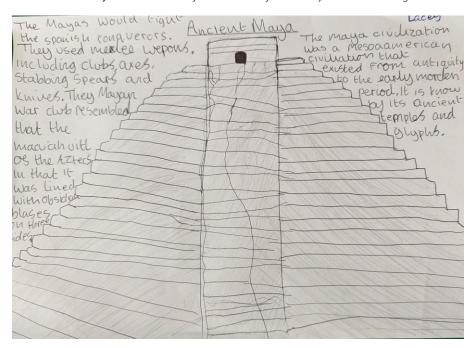
Some fabulous home learning from Hansel and Gretel class this week on their work on the Mayans and their history by **Freya, Poppy and Lacey.**



15 - **Poppy's** wonderful Mayan work



16 - Freya made a wonderful PowerPoint for her Mayan home learning



17 - Some more fabulous home learning on Mayan history by Lacey

Meet our Reception Children 2023-2024!

We are so proud of how well our Reception children have settled into school life and their new daily routines. We love seeing how much they love coming to school every day and getting to know them all. This week they had their class photographs taken - look out for these in the County Press Reception feature in October!

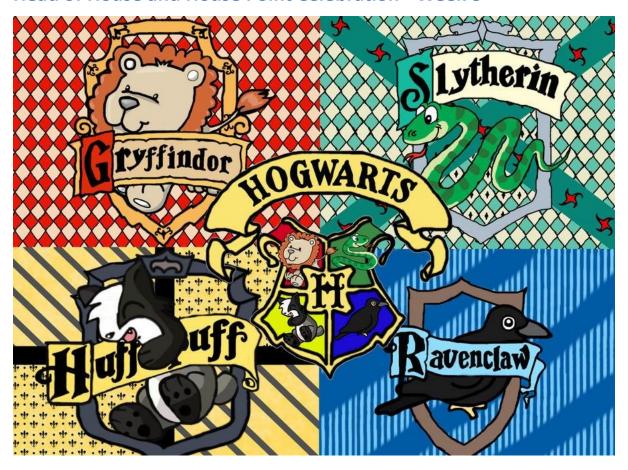


18 - Little Mermaid Class - Miss Jacobs



19 - Little Red Riding Hood Class - Miss Wren

Head of House and House Point Celebration - Week 3



Year 6 Head of Houses

We are so excited to offer our Year Six children the opportunity to apply for House Captain again this year. We are changing the process this year. Children will be invited to complete an application form within school time and submit it to Mrs Sutton by Friday 6th October 2023. Children from each house will then be shortlisted and invited for an interview, where the Progression Team will elect new House Captains! There will no longer be a whole school vote this year. What an excellent opportunity for the children to experience their first ever job interview right here at Lanesend! Being a house captain opens so many doors for the children in the future, as it shows that they are a team player and work well with others. Confidence and dedication are two key characteristics of a good house captain, as they may have to speak to a large audience possibly on multiple occasions. If you would like to support your child with their application, please see the attached poster and talk through the questions in the black box. Good luck to our super candidates this year!

Head of House Applications 2023-2024

Could you be the next Head of House?

We are recruiting someone who can....



- Use their words to help others.
- Think creatively and can offer new ideas to help Lanesend Primary School.
- Look after our community both inside and outside of school.
- Be a role model for belonging, pride and respect.
- Organise events and help run competitions.
- Face challenges and stay positive.
- Be organised and manage time well, completing work to agreed deadlines.

Closing date: Fri 6th October 2023
Application forms to Mrs Sutton

Interviews to follow

Good luck!



Application pack available now!

Why do you want to apply for house captain?

What positive contributions have you made to our school so far?

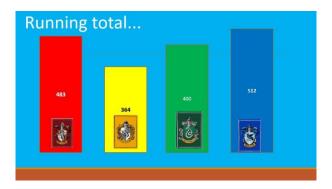
What do you think the role of house captain should be?

If elected, what difference can you make to our team?

Is there anything special we need to know about you?



21 - A huge well done to Ravenclaw who had an outstanding House Point total this week with 371 and stole the lead from Gryffindor House!



22 - Ravenclaw House are now in the lead for the Term Totals with 512 House Points!

Our New Curriculum



As you may be aware, after our inspection last year, three areas were identified for improvement. One of these included the need for the curriculum to be 'coherently planned and sequenced' with the 'key knowledge and vocabulary to be taught in each year group...clearly identified.' Through this improved curriculum, the aim is for children to make consistently good progress in their learning and for them to know and remember more. In addition, at Lanesend Primary, we want our curriculum to be rich and exciting and to make sure that we are providing your children with memorable and meaningful experiences.

To plan a coherent, progressive and sequenced curriculum which is full of rich experiences, we are using some schemes to support our team. For most of our subjects, we are using a scheme called 'Kapow'. As well as providing engaging and interesting learning experiences, this scheme is designed

to build secure foundations for each curriculum area. Each curriculum area is mapped out across the school, with links which will enrich their learning. For our Modern Foreign Languages, we are using 'Language Angels' with a focus on French in Key Stage Two and for PE, 'Get Set 4 PE'. Our teachers and subject leaders will be continuing to develop our curriculum and to shape and adapt it so that your children experience an exciting and rich curriculum which supports them to make the best possible progress in their learning and to have fun so they are enjoying what they are learning!

The feedback from the children and from our teaching team has been amazing. Children are really enjoying learning about different subjects and the pride they are showing in their brand new books is so wonderful to see. Each year group has sent out their newsletters to provide you with an overview of what your children are learning, we hope you found these interesting and informative. We're looking forward to continuing to develop our curriculum and sharing our journey with you.

Home Learning at Lanesend Primary



Agreed for 2023-24

All Home Learning will be sent home on a Friday and is due in the following Thursday.

Reception - Reading, Spellings when ready for them, Little Wandle Worksheets

Year 1 and 2 - Reading, Spellings, Little Wandle Worksheets, Number Bonds or 99 Club (rotation)

Year 3 and 4 – Reading, Spelling Shed Assignment, TT Rock Stars (2 sessions per week), Literacy, Maths

Year 5 and 6 – Reading, Spelling Shed Assignment, TT Rock Stars (3 sessions per week), Literacy, Maths, wider curriculum / Science (rotation)

Literacy and Maths will link to recent prior learning to allow consolidation.

From February half term, children in Year 6 will be given SATs revision activities for home learning.

How can parents help?

There are many ways you can help:

- Ask the children questions about what they are learning at school (talking helps everyone understand things clearly).
- Play word and number games to consolidate early learning of letter sounds, common vocabulary and number bonds.
- Spend a little time, on a regular basis, listening to your child read and discussing the books they have brought home. Encourage your child to read words and books regularly (show them how important words are).
- Test what has to be learned e.g. spellings, tables, number facts etc.
- Read what your child has written, and talk to them about their writing: Does it make sense? Is it correctly punctuated, etc.? Is writing neat and accurate? Have they used exciting words?
- Encourage your child to check over his/her work.
- Help your child find out additional facts, e.g. by visiting the library or researching on the Internet.

For younger children little and often is best – 10-15 minutes daily is a good habit. As children become older they should be encouraged to sustain their concentration for longer periods of time, and to work with increasing independence. For example, it would be beneficial to get children into the habit of reading every evening; time spent on reading should range from approximately 10 minutes in Key Stage 1 and up to 30 minutes in Key Stage 2.

We appreciate this isn't always possible every day but a minimum of 3-4 times a week should be encouraged. If a child struggles with an activity, try to avoid becoming anxious about it and approach your child's teacher as soon as you can. They will spend more time explaining the task to help you and your child.

Why do we set Home Learning?

Home Learning enables children to practise and extend skills learned in the classroom, and also gives pupils a chance to undertake research and additional learning, as required. It involves parents (and other adults) in their children's work and we believe that home learning encourages and improves independent learning and helps to prepare them for life at High School.

Our Values - Our Learning



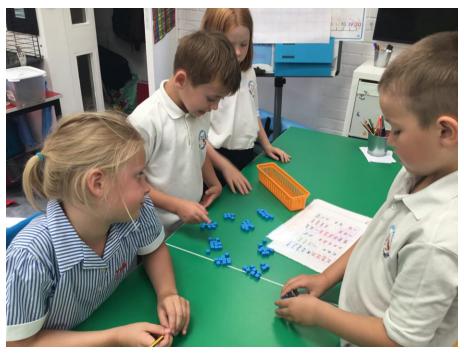
Belonging - Pride - Respect

Some fabulous photos from around the school this week where children are really embedding our values into their daily school routines - 'Belonging - Pride - Respect'.























Reminders for the week

Healthy Snacks:

A reminder that children in KS2 are invited to bring a healthy snack in to eat at break time. Have a look here for some ideas for what this might be. Crisps, biscuits, cakes etc should not be brought in to school and please remember that we are a nut-free school. If you would like to send in any fruit donations, these would be gratefully received. Thank you!

After School - Play Equipment:

Please remember that children must not play on the playground equipment at the end of the day. This equipment is only to be used in the school day under our team's supervision. Thank you for supporting us with this.

Swimming Walkers:

If you could spare any time to walk down with our Year 2 swimming groups on a Wednesday morning please call the office on 293233. We love helpers from across the school, even if your child is not in Year 2 we would still love your help. Thank you in advance.



23 - What is a healthy snack?



24 - **On Wednesday 27th September we have our 'Bee Thankful' Harvest Celebration menu available** as well as Baguettes and Jacket Potatoes. Children who book the Harvest school lunch this day will receive a bee sticker from the 'Bee Conservation Trust' so we can celebrate bees and the importance of bees for pollination and Harvest.

Attendance



Eleven classes with good attendance last week - fabulous!

Year R	Little Red Riding Hood	97.40%
Year R	Little Mermaid	94.20%
Year 1	Goldilocks and the Three Bears	98.60%
Year 1	Elves and the Shoemakers	99.40%
Year 2	Enchanted	93.80%
Year 2	Beauty and the Beast	96.80%
Year 2	Pinocchio	99.50%
Year 3	Gingerbread Man	92.90%
Year 3	Cinderella	99.20%
Year 3	Peter Pan	98.30%
Year 4	Billy Goats Gruff	96.50%
Year 4	Princess and the Frog	99.30%
Year 4	Snow White	97.90%
Year 5	Jack and the Beanstalk	95.50%
Year 5	Sleeping Beauty	93.50%
Year 5	Rapunzel	92.90%
Year 6	Rumplestiltskin	93.50%
Year 6	Aladdin	95.20%
Year 6	Hansel and Gretel	96.70%
Totals	Whole School	96.40%

25 - Well done to Little Red Riding Hood, Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Elves and the Shoemakers, Beauty and the Beast, Pinocchio, Cinderella, Peter Pan, Billy Goat's Gruff, Princess and the Frog, Snow White and Hansel and Gretel class who all celebrated over 96% attendance last week. Fantastic!

Dates for your Diary



Just a gentle reminder of our Lanesend Term Dates for this Academic Year 2023-2024: <u>Lanesend Term Dates 23-24</u>

Friday 22nd September

Test The Water—Rumpelstiltskin Class

Tuesday 26th September

Test The Water—Aladdin Class

Wednesday 27th September

Test The Water—Hansel and Gretel Class

Thursday 5th October

Peter Murray Author Visit

E-Safety Tip

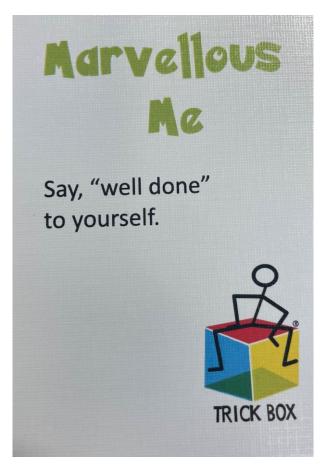


26 - This week's E-Safety Tip is setting boundaries around gaming.

Trick Box of the Week!



27 - This week Trick is Marvellous Me

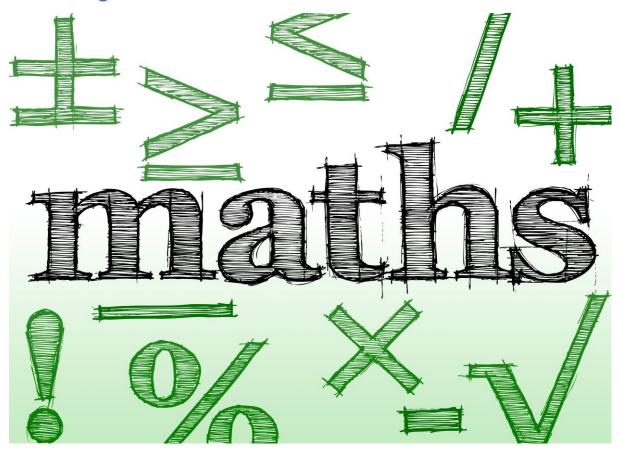


28 - Say 'well done to yourself'



29 - Here is Mrs Domoney's Trick Box video - Marvellous Me

Your Thoughts on Maths



As it is the new term we like to find out your thoughts and feelings on maths. Please can you take 10 minutes to fill in this <u>questionnaire</u> (<u>Click the Link</u>) we do appreciate it.

Community News and Events

ISLE OF WIGHT MUSIC HUB PRESENTS



Saturday mornings during term time 10.00 am - 12.00 pm

At Osborne House

York Avenue, East Cowes, PO32 6JT Annual membership £120

The Hub also supports additional music making opportunities and ensembles during the week.

For further information please contact us using the details below

music@iowmusichub.org 023 8083 3648



023 8083 3648 @MusicHubSouth







Kids First Tag held at IWRFC -18/09/23 from 6pm

This 2 hour course supports the development of active, purposeful, enjoyable and safe tag rugby environments for children. Participants will also learn the rules and practice refereeing tag rugby.



Kids First contact held at IWRFC 27/09/23 and 04/10/23 from 6pm

This 2 x 3 hour sessions course will help participants to safely coach and referee the contact areas of the game and it is recommended that everyone coaching or refereeing contact rugby has completed this course.

Scan QR code to book or visit www.rfu.gms.com



These coaching courses are funded for local teachers and Vectis coaches Email for more information

vectisrfccoaching@









After School Club:

Fun Spanish on Fridays (September) and Tuesdays (October onwards) - open to Years R All Clubs 3.00pm 'til 4.00pm, £5.50/session STARTING on FRIDAY 22ND of September Membership pack must be purchased at a cost of £12.59



MEMBERSHIP WITH EL CLUB ESPANOL INCLUDES:

Spanish songbook + optional sticker/activity book + stickers + folder + sticker card . streaming music+ online gamezone (BABELZONE) + more!

Www.clubenrolment.com/LCFlanguagesIOW

07883097896 or sig lcfclubs.iow@gmail.com

AT CHRIST THE KING SPORTS HALL

Shorwell Netball Club are offering a new netball session for ages 5-8 years old!

Sessions will take place every Thursday at Christ the King Sports Hall in Newport from 5pm. Most sessions will be an hour long but due to bookings there will be some that are only 30mins long.

Come along and have a go! First session is FREE and then £3 thereafter for an hour.









If you wish to try orienteering or would like to find out more about the sport, then please encourage your family and friends to join our **Autumn Events**

for 2023 — Registration opens at 10am. Starts from 10.30-12.00

Sunday 29th October at Firestone Copse, Havenstreet (parking at main car park)

Sunday 17th December - a fun Christmas themed event will be organized at Borthwood Copse, Apse Heath.

Cost for adult non- members £5, family groups £6.00 and juniors just £1.00

Courses for all abilities with advice and training offered if required to new members. See website for parking details: $\underline{www.wighto.org.uk}$

Permanent Orienteering courses are available in Firestone Copse, Brighstone Forest and Parkhurst Forest for practise at any time. Free maps and score cards are available from Brian Bailey; TEL: 07773 852548

We also have a Facebook page: Wight Orienteers





