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FEDERATION NEWS Friday 11th June 2021

I hope you all managed to enjoy the weather over the half-term break. It's lovely to have it dry and warm! Although we have moved to a 'Federation' bubble, we are still keeping the schools quite separate. The main reason for the change is to support the Year 2 transition into Year 3. I continue to keep a close look at the local Covid-19 data, and if I start to see a rise in numbers, then we will return to smaller bubbles again. We are planning for as normal a Summer Term as possible. Year 6 have completed their SATs week this week, and the rest of the school will be completing their tests next week. Reports are being written at the moment and will be out on Mon 12 July. Transition to new classes will take place on Wed 14 July. We've also got dates in the diary for sports days (Infant Tues 6 July and Juniors Thurs 8 July), Yr 6 production (6/7 July) and end of year celebration assemblies for Yr 2 (22 July am) and Yr 6 (22 July pm), as well as a couple of trips planned. Parents coming to events is going to be dependent on whether the country fully opens on Mon 21 June. If the proposed opening happens, we will look at how we can safely have parents at school for the various events. If there is a delay in reopening, events will go ahead with the children but unfortunately without parents.

NEW STAFF

We are delighted to have appointed 2 new teachers for September to our team, Mr Zilch at the Infant Site and Miss Vipond at the Junior Site. This is due to the growing numbers at Loddon Primary Federation. From September, we will have 2 classes in each year group. I'm sure you will make them feel very welcome. Richard

YEAR 6 BREAKFAST CLUB

Year 6 have enjoyed Breakfast Club this week, stimulating their brain cells for their test week:





MUSIC LESSONS

We currently have spaces for music lesson with Mrs Cork on a Wednesday; flute, clarinet, sax and Mrs Curtis on a Thursday for piano and keyboard. Pleas



Thursday for piano and keyboard. Please contact the Junior office if you are interested in your child starting lessons.

CHOIR

Choir has started on a Wednesday afternoon, after school 3:30pm-4:15pm at the Junior site. If any Junior children would like to join there are still spaces—please contact the office.

R/1C NEWS

We have had a lovely busy week in R1C!

Throughout the summer term in Literacy we have been learning about nonsense poetry, and particularly 'The Owl & The Pussycat'. This week we thought about what happened next, and planned our own story! The children had lots of brilliant ideas, including travelling in a banana car to rescue a magic wand, and an underwater adventure in a submarine to find some lost treasure! In Maths, the Year 1s have been exploring division, and how we can divide amounts in different ways. The Reception children have been finding out about doubling, with objects and numbers. They have all done so well with these tricky challenges, and have been super mathematicians!

We have also been really busy in the afternoons- we have made our own musical instruments, and found out about the seven continents around the world, painting the animals and different landmarks you might find in North America, South America, Africa and Asia. Some of our favourite discoveries were sloths, waterfalls, mountains and giant tortoises!





DANCE/MUSICAL THEATRE CLASSES

We have Dance/Musical Theatre classes starting next Wednesday at the Infants (3:10-4:10pm) and Thursday at the Juniors (3:20-4:20pm). Classes cost £3.50 per week for 4 weeks and will be run by Funky Feet School of Dance and Performing Arts. If your child wishes to join either class please contact the office or send a message via Class Dojo.

DIARY DATES FOR SUMMER TERM 29 June—Yr2 Trip to Ringsfield Hall 6 July—Infant Site Sports Day

6 & 7 July—Yr 6 Production

8 July—Junior Site Sports Day

12 July-Reports Out

12-14 July-Transition at Hobart for Yr6

14 July—Transition Day

19 July-Yr6 Pleasurewood Hills Trip

20 July-Yr6 Whitlingham Broad Trip

22 July AM—Yr 2 Celebration Assembly 22 July PM—Yr6 Celebration Assembly

22 July—Last day of term

DIARY DATES FOR 2021-22

Autumn Term:

Monday 6 September - Friday 22 October 2021 Half-term holiday: Monday 25 - Friday 29 October 2021 Monday 1 November - Friday 17 December 2021 Christmas holiday: Monday 20 December - Tuesday 4 January 2022

Spring Term:

Wednesday 5 January - Friday 11 February 2022 Half-term holiday: Monday 14 - Friday 18 February 2022 Monday 21 February - Friday 1 April 2022

Easter holiday: Monday 4 - Tuesday 19 April 2022 Summer Term:

Wednesday 20 April - Friday 27 May 2022 (Monday 2 May is a Bánk Holiday)

Half-term holiday: Monday 30 - Friday 3 June 2022 Monday 6 June - Friday 22 July 2022

Summer holiday: Monday 25 July - Monday 5 September

Staff training days:

Staff training - 2 and 3 September, 4 January, 19 April and 25 July.

LJS CINEMA

On the last day of term Year 4 enjoyed a visit to the 'LJS Cinema' - there were two screens with different films showing (101 Dalmatians and Gnomeo and Juliet) They each had £5 to spend to buy a ticket, snacks and a drink.



<u>SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2021</u>
The Summer Reading Challenge is launching at a library near you on July 10th!

Norfolk Library Services will be holding live online author and interactive story events throughout the challenge that families can access via zoom. The popular storyteller John Kirk; author, vet and TV presenter Dr Jess French; and author and vet Gill Lewis.

Every week a new activity sheet will be available from local libraries to pick up along with the next book to read to encourage families to visit regularly.

NURSERY'S TEDDY BEAR PICNIC

Last half term we had lots of fun exploring the story We're Going on a Bear Hunt. To end the topic the children were invited to a teddy bears' picnic. It was a super end to a lovely half-term. We even made our own sandwiches, which were enjoyed outside on the field, along with the teddy bears of course!











CONSIDERATE DRIVING/PARKING

Please be aware of your surroundings when driving to and from school and parking in the layby's. We have also had numerous parent's either parking in the car park or blocking the entrance to the car park, access is required into and out of the car park at all times. Please do not park there unless you have had prior permission. Thank

GDPR UPDATE

We have added Wonde and Edenred to our GDPR policy. If you wish to view this document there is a copy on the website or in either office.

ABSENCE LINE

When leaving a message to report your child as absent, could you please leave the reason why they are poorly. We need to know if the child is off with Covid symptoms as we have to report it to the Department for Education. Thank you

REMINDER

Just a reminder that the school is open on 22nd July (this was previously a staff training day) but due to us closing a day early for Christmas we will be open on 22nd July.

CLOTHING SAL

Huge selection of nearly new 8 - 12 years old clothing for boys and girls

In aid of Chet and Waveney Link of Chernobyl Children's Lifeline Most items 50p - £1.00

Saturday 12th June 2.00 - 4.00 p.m. ST. LUKE'S CHURCH HALL RIGBOURNE HILL, BECCLES

St. Luke's 'Parish Pantry' will also be open in the morning

Dependent upon Covid restrictions masks may be required and limited numbers of persons able to enter at one time