



LOUGHTON SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you to all of you who very kindly completed the Parental Survey online recently. We will take time to review the comments and endeavour to make adjustments and improvements where required.

The Year 6 children did exceptionally well in their SATs week last week. Lots of the children arrived early to enjoy breakfast with their peers to help set them up for the day. I am very proud of how well they did and was pleased to be able to join them on a day out at Rushmere Park last Friday, where lots of fun was had by all – a fantastic way to end the week.

Please be reminded that school closes for the half term break this **Friday, 24 May at 3.15pm**. The Loughton PTSA will be running a stall, selling cupcakes and cookies after school outside the hall.

We hope you have a restful break and look forward to welcoming children back on **Monday 3 June**.

With best wishes,

Andy George
Headteacher

Loughton PTSA

The Years 4 & 5 disco last week was well-attended and the children enjoyed themselves dancing along to their favourite tunes. Over £370 was raised from the event, so thank you for your support.

And after some further donations from the Fun Run runners, the fund has swelled to £1,670 so a huge thank you for sponsoring your child to help raise money for our School.

Measles

The Immunisation Team from Essex Partnership University has informed schools that there has been an increase in Measles cases in the UK. They have advised parents to ensure that all vaccinations are up to date and if they have any queries to check with their GP. For your information, children should have had two doses of MMR; one at 13months and a pre-school booster that protects for life.

Recycling

Just a reminder, that we are still collecting (clean) crisp packets; so please continue to send any in from home. Thank you for the batteries you brought in – this initiative has now ended.



Year 5 - KidZania

This year Loughton School went for the first time to KidZania in London. To prepare for the visit to KidZania, we started to think about what we might want to be when we are older. Popular choices were; author, artist, YouTuber, and teacher.

On Thursday 9 May we had to meet really early at 8am in the school hall. The coach journey seemed quite quick because we were excited to get there. We arrived early so we had a snack in the car park before checking in!

As we were walking in, we saw a huge plane sticking out of the wall. We waited in line to enter and it was set up like an airport. We were given 50 kidzos to spend to start off with and we turned the corner into the city. It was amazing and looked so real!

There were different activities in the city; sometimes there was a charge which meant you had to spend your kidzos for the experience, others said salary and this meant you would be paid for doing the job.

Some of the jobs you could do were: delivering packages across the city, designing your own outfit in H&M, recycling, firefighting, dentist, window cleaning, midwifery, completing a maths challenge in the library, police officer, becoming a pilot or even a news reporter! Sometimes you had to wait in a queue because they were very popular.

Some of the experiences were: making your own breakfast bars, extra training to become a vet, making a robot, creating your own Nintendo DS game and cooking, but lots of us chose to save our kidzos instead. When you get 75 kidzos you are able to create a bank account. They give you a card that you can sign the back of and take with you so that you have money on your return visit. Some of the children were really good at saving their kidzos but others spent theirs fairly quickly!



The teachers really enjoyed it too because there was a real Costa where they could get a cup of tea or coffee! We ate our lunch altogether in the stadium.

We would 100% recommend the trip for next year. It was one of the best school trips we have ever been on!



By Joel, Dunja, Keira and Toral HB11



Peripatetic celebration concert for Years 5 and 6 children

We are looking forward to welcoming the parents of all our year 5 and 6 children who have been having peripatetic music lessons (woodwind, brass, keyboard or strings groups) this year to our instrumental 'Celebration Concert'. The musical showcase celebrating your child's progress and passion for their chosen instrument will take place on **Wednesday 5 June from 9-10am**. We hope that you will be able to join us and enjoy the children's performance as they have been working so hard this year and would love to show off their skills to you! They will also have an opportunity to perform to their peers later on that day. Don't forget to remind your child to bring their instrument to school the day before for our rehearsal.

Miss Frost, Assistant Headteacher
Mrs Vernon, Arts HLTA

Bikeability, Year 5



A number of children took part in the Bikeability training which was offered at the beginning of May. Each child attended 3 sessions led by trained instructors to work towards their Level 2 Bikeability cycle training. Children were taught how to cycle on quieter roads. They were also taught effective road positioning, communication with other road users and rights of way.

Many children have commented on how valuable they found the training as well as now being confident to cycle on the road safely.

"I have learnt how to safely ride on the road and I even know how to use all the gears on my bike."

"I now know how to pass cars properly and safely. I also learnt how to do U-turns."

"I now know what the signs on the road mean."

"I can now control the traffic and indicate to other road users which direction I am going to take."

Freddie C from HB10 tells us how it went:

There were 12 of us and we had two instructors who helped us learn all about being safe and confident on the roads. We learned that you have to wear suitable clothing, including a helmet. We did signalling when we were at T-junctions so that the cars or bikes around us knew where we going and we were taught how to do U-turns in the road. We were also told that it is important to check your bike before you ride it, you have to check the seat and the brakes and the air in the tyres. So now, if there is not a red-way to cycle on, I am happy to ride on the roads.

Miss Brago
Year 5 Leader

Diary Dates

Please note that whilst we aim to stick to the dates provided, we may have to amend our diary at a later date; we will keep you informed via our newsletters, letters home and the website.

May 2019

24	School closes at 3.15pm for half term
24	Cupcake and Cookie Sale by PTSA 3.15pm

June 2019

3	School reopens at 8.45am
7	Mufti Day (raffle prize donations)
7	Year 3 Movie Night
13	Maths Evening (1) for Parents 7pm
14	PTSA Summer Festival 6-9pm
19	Parents Information Meeting for Germany Residential 5.45-6.45pm
19	Maths Evening (2) for Parents 7pm
27	Year 3 visit to the Tower of London (HB2 & HB3)
28	Year 3 visit to the Tower of London (HB1 & HB4)



July 2019

1	Transition Day
3	Caldecotte Parents' Information Evening
3	Kingswood Parents' Information Evening
8-10	Year 6 Production
11	Years 3&4 Sports Day
12	Years 5&6 Sports Day
15	Family Open Day and Picnic
17	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 9am
19	School closes at 1.30pm for end of term/year

Sept 2019

4	School reopens at 8.45am
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