



Got A Lot Of Bottle?

By Lauren C HB1

This term the **Green Team** helped to launch the **MK Council's poster competition** for re-fillable water bottles. Instead of single use plastic ones, children were asked to create a fun, colourful, information-packed, A3 poster to encourage us to use refillable bottles.

Hopefully lots of people will now want to use re-fillable water bottles instead of throw away ones. Keep your eyes peeled for the winning poster going up around MK in the new year!



RECYCLED FACT

It is estimated that over half a trillion plastic bottles will be sold in 2020. Did you know that over 90% of all plastic doesn't get recycled?



KIDZANIA!

Are you the kind of person that has the ambition to become a politician? Well, that's exactly what the green team is all about. The only difference is that they debate about the environment, not the welfare of the country.

Recently, the year 5's and 6's in the Green Team and Student Council went on a trip to Kidzania. Accompanying them were Mrs Tompkins (Head of the Green Team), Mrs McPherson (Head of Student Council) and Miss Frost (Deputy Head). They went because it was politician/parliament week. The reason they went was to 1. Increase their knowledge about political activities; this will make our green team so much better since they now have much more experience! 2. Have lots of FUN!!! They took part in activities such as debating and creating their own political parties, much like what a real politician would do. The trip benefited them a lot, and all of them absolutely LOVED everything. They would all 100% recommend going there and it was a brilliant start to a political career ahead of them!!! ☺

By Gauri B HB5

"Going to kidzania was a great experience. We learnt about the Parliament rules and earned money if we did something well. We also had a fake election and a got card that contained our money."

Vithushi, HB11



"Early in the morning we all walked to the train station. Then we caught the train to Shepherd's Bush. In Kidzania we got to vote in an election. Then we had a debate on whether we should ban plastic bottles or fine people who use them. Next we had to create a political group and get signatures from the staff. Afterwards we got to go to university and do other jobs like being a doctor, police officer and fire officer. I enjoyed the trip, it was really good fun."

Mrs Tompkins



Love To Sing?

RUN BY MRS GREEN, THE SCHOOL CHOIR LEARNS FAMILY-FRIENDLY SONGS, THEN ONCE A YEAR THEY GET TO GO TO AN ARENA IN BIRMINGHAM, WHERE YOUNG VOICES IS HELD.

THEY LEARN CALM SONGS AS WELL AS EXCITING AND BOLD SONGS. THESE ARE THE TITLES FOR SOME OF THE TYPES OF SONGS SUNG IN CHOIR 2020: FRIGHT FEST, QUEEN MEDLEY AND POP MEDLEY.

AFTER A 2 HOUR COACH DRIVE TO YOUNG VOICES, EVERYONE GOES CRAZY, SINGING THEIR HEARTS OUT WITH 300 OTHER SCHOOLS AND FAMOUS SINGERS! THE NEXT DAY THEY GET TO GO LATE INTO SCHOOL BECAUSE THEY DON'T GET HOME UNTIL ABOUT MIDNIGHT!

ARE YOU A STUDENT THAT LOVES TO SING? IF YOU ARE, TAKE PART IN OUR CLUB! THERE WILL ALWAYS BE A SPACE FOR YOU AND YOUR TALENTED FRIENDS!

-VIOLET HB13



SCHOOL COUNCIL

The School Council has been busy this term! We organised fund raising for Children in Need; raising over £440 for charity. In addition, we have promoted the Christmas Giving Tree which will benefit families supported by the Moorlands Centre. Judging from the pile of presents under the tree, this has been a big success!



A survey was conducted across the school which sought suggestions from children on how school hot dinners, playground equipment and wet play activities could be improved and these have been amalgamated and reviewed by the School Council.



Initially, we decided to concentrate on the feedback we received about the puddings provided by Chartwells and there has been a flurry of activity and analysis both in the hall at lunchtime and via questionnaires in the classroom. Next, we hope to have a meeting with Chartwells to discuss our findings... Watch this space!



LS Club Focus

ICT

We have lots of clubs running here at Loughton School. This issue we take a look at the ICT Club for Year 4, run by Mr Woodham (HB4).

“I love technology,” said Joshua C in HB8, who attends the class where he learns all about computing. Recently they have learnt how to use PowerPoint and Word, created files and folders as well as retrieve documents, use templates and copy and paste. They finished off the term by creating a Stickman slide show!

Patricia C HB5.



AUTUMN ALPHABET CHALLENGE

**CAN YOU USE YOUR JOURNEY TO SCHOOL TO FIND AN
AUTUMN THEMED WORD FOR EACH LETTER OF THE
ALPHABET?**

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SPORTS

| By Alexa O

Cross Country

Inter-school cross country results

In October, we held our inter-school cross country competitions. All the children took part in this event and team spirit was high! Well done to everyone.

Isla F will be invited to represent Milton Keynes in the Cross Country Finals in Leicester in March and both Rebecca and Harry will be reserves.



Basket Ball

In December year 5/6 came 2nd against Two Mile Ash but made it in the final.



The team included Kira, Amrit, Callum, Saajan, Dexter and Demebi who all worked their socks off and showed great sportsmanship. Training now continues for our best hopes in the finals. Well done team.

Monday 18th November

Eight of our year 3 and 4 children attended a basketball tournament at Denbigh school competing against 6 other schools. Billy, Belle, Ike, Eden, Jensen, Franco, Tiger and Hbly all played really well showing fantastic sportsmanship.



FootBall

Thursday 21 November 11 more boys from year 5 & 6 took part in a football match at school against Bushfield School. The boys played with a lot of passion to win **Loughton 3-1** Bushfield. Harry Key scored 2 goals and Tymet with one. It was a brilliant performance with a number of them playing their first ever match for Loughton.



Wednesday 20th November

The year 5&6 football team beat Stanton 5-3 in an impressive match last night. Loughton started really well by scoring 2 goals up in the first 5 minutes! Luca scored 4 goals and Harry M scored 1.

Loughton 5-3 Stanton

Team: Teddy, George P, Harrison, Harry M, Harry K, Tymet, Saajan, Shay, Dexter and Thomas.

Wednesday 13 November

The football league kicked off at Woughton on the Green. Loughton played two matches.

Loughton 2-0 Southwood

Loughton 4-0 Chestnuts



Friday 15 November

13 boys from year 3 & 4 took part in a football tournament at Rickely Park school. They played competitive matches against Rickley Park and Oxley Park. The tournament was a friendly to get more children playing football. The lads really did themselves proud by winning games, scoring goals and behaving impeccably.

Elliott, William, Theo, Rio G, Liam, Ben S, Taylar, Ewan, Charlie, Zachary, Jackson, Ethan S and Joseph K

Swimming



Our 24 year 4 swimmers have been learning how to swim unaided and about the importance of water safety and what to do if they saw someone in need. Working in pairs, they used their pyjamas to make a lifeline to pull their partner to safety

Rugby The prize for the muddiest child went to Shay B!

In October eight children from year 3 and 4 took part in the school's first ever Gala swimming competition. Alexa HB3, Zoe HB5, Rodrigo HB6, Elizabeth HB6, Lohita HB6, Lucas HB7, Billy HB7 and Lucas HB8 all took part in three races against 15 other schools. The team won 4 races and finished in the top 5 in many others.

IF YOU TAKE PART IN
SWIMMING GALAS
OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL,
BE SURE TO LET MR
SULLIVAN KNOW.

Sudoku puzzles

Complete the grids only using the same number once in each row, column and square. Answers on last page, no cheating!

Year 3 and 4

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		3	7	6	5	9		1

Year 5 and 6

THE YEAR 3 LION KING CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION

(by Ben C)

Unmissable!"

The year 3 Lion King Production was amazing! Teachers and children were extremely excited. They have been working really hard because they have practiced since half term! There was some amazing acting and singing, dancing and drumming. Also, some of the main (and Mr Woodham's favourites) songs: He Lives in you, Circle of Life and Just Can't wait to be King. There were even songs with Swahili in! Some of the characters are: grown up Nala played by Safa, young Nala played by Zoya, grown up Simba played by Joseph, Pumba is played by Isiah, Zazu is played by Zainab and young Simba is played by Charlie and many more!



Off with a fizzle...



People may have been a little disappointed with the fireworks this year when comparing the display to previous years. I know I was but my dad helped out and said, "There should've been more but the fuses got wet in the rain so about ¼ of the fireworks didn't go off". Let me assure you they are usually much better and a great way for the school to raise extra funds!

By Lucas A

Wise Words from Mrs Gates

"If you feel sick before coming to school make sure to tell your parent or carer and have some medicine if you think you really need it."

Make sure to look after each other either on the playground or in the classroom. Make sure to not be unkind because that can affect people's mental health, if you see someone being unkind make sure to bring it to the attention of the nearest adult. DO NOT TRY TO INTERVENE! As it may result in you being hurt and that would not be good.



BEEEEEP!!!! BEEEEEEEEEP!!!!!!

Since half term there have been multiple traffic problems, roads blocked, people and cars being hit by other cars! Please be mindful when you're being dropped off and collected.

Stopping outside the school, even if it's for a short period of time, is a danger. If you come to school by car, please ask your grown-up if they can park at the local car parks and avoid Bradwell Road. It's an extra 2 minutes but it makes a BIG DIFFERENCE! Traffic wardens will give out tickets if you are parked outside the school on yellow lines.

Don't forget: the JRSO's give out foot patrol stamps if you have walked to school from outside the red zone.

By Lucas A



Year Six Trip to Bletchley Park

*On Monday 25th November 2019 Year Six pupils visited Bletchley Park to learn about our fascinating topic which was World War Two. We had a very interesting and wonderful time so I highly recommend it to all ages and sizes I think you would all very much enjoy it. We saw a real Enigma code-breaking machine and learnt how Britain helped win WWII. *By Lucas A**

Interview

Patricia C interviews Preet on the Year 4 Pizza Express Trip...

"We had our dough pre-made but some classes got to make their own! We added our own tomato sauce and then added cheese in any way we liked (I did spots). We got to do a quiz on pizza toppings whilst our pizzas were baking."

I asked Preet, if she had to rate it out of five what would it be? "Definitely 6 and a half!!" she stated. Overall she loved it because she got to make food and we have NEVER made food on a school trip before, it was an amazing experience!



Book Review *by Keira I*

THE FIREWORK-MAKER'S DAUGHTER by Philip Pullman



I would give this book five stars because it was very **interesting** and very **funny**.

I would say Lyra was **my favourite character** as she is very confident and courageous.

FAVOURITE PART: THE QUEST

What's it about? Lyra's dad would not tell her how to become a true firework-maker so she sets out on a quest to prove her father wrong.



The Library Mosaic This term, each child in year 4 had an amazing opportunity to help make the new mosaic that has just gone up in the entrance to our library. Thanks to one of our amazing and talented parents, Sarah H. The beautiful woodland design featured animals, bees and a wise old owl who stands gripping a pile of books. It took weeks to perfect, placing each tiny piece of tile and we all thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

Eden S, HB7

CHARGE!

On Friday October 25th, Year 4 took part in the now annual Roman Battle. The children made themselves swords, shields and helmets. We had a lot of fun!

By Eden S





Three year 6 children, along with four other school's invitees, had the amazing opportunity to improve their writing skills and to meet and work with William Gallagher, author and playwright, better known for his writing on Dr Who.



Children took turns writing dialogue and read out our scripts, later everyone created a single character, which ended up a very strange creature indeed! We then all became a supporting character, created a background and a plot and wrote a quick story involving Christmas Eve on Mars, with our strange, 16 legged character and the theft of a chocolate fountain. It was great fun and quite eye-opening. ***By Akanksha B***

Sudoku Answers

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9	6	1	8	3	4	5	7	2
2	9	7	3	1	8	4	5	6
6	1	5	4	2	9	8	3	7
8	4	3	7	6	5	9	2	1

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3	4	2	1
4	1	3	2
2	3	1	4



Finally, The LS News Team would like to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas!



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