



Loddiswell Primary School Newsletter
Friday 27th March 2026

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Dear Parents and Carers, **please note all Clubs have now finished for the Spring Term.**

It has been another busy and enjoyable week in school! We were delighted to take part in our inter-federation cross country event—this was a fantastic experience for all involved and a great opportunity to show teamwork and determination.

Our Year 6 pupils have been working incredibly hard this week as they continue practising for their SATs—we are very proud of their effort and positive attitude.

A big thank you to the PTFA for kindly providing caterpillars for our Reception and Year 1 children. We hope you enjoy watching these grow and change with your children at home—it's always such a special experience!

Reception also had a wonderful time at their Mini Beasts party—please do take a look at our social media pages to see some lovely photos from the event.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Please see Summer Term clubs below, they will go live on MCAS this evening at 17.30pm.

Day	Time	Activity	Year Group	Number	Teacher
Monday	15.30-16.15	Colouring Club	ALL	12	Mrs Clark
	15.30-16.15	ECO Club	KS2	10	Mrs Butler
	12.30-13.00	Numbots	KS1 and Reception	12	Mrs Shuttleworth
Wednesday	15.30-16.15	Netball	KS2	8 Y3/4 8 Y5/6	Mrs Meek
	15.30-16.15	Dance Club	KS2	10	Miss Walls
	15.30-16.15	Lego Club	ALL	12	Mrs Freeman
Thursday	15.30-16.15	SAT's Club	Y6	20	Miss Priest
	15.30-16.15	Art Club	Y2-6	12	Mrs Dunton

Next Week!

Date	Event
Monday 30 th March	Parents Evening Mrs Kirkham, Mrs Shuttleworth, Mrs Clark & Miss Priest A4A Football Club- https://activities.bookpebble.co.uk/activity/achieve4all-football-club-ks12-loddiswell-monday-kingsbridge-64ff786c-1f3a-4e2c-80c1-88e97acd6f4f
Tuesday 31 st	Parents Evening Mrs Shuttleworth, Mrs Clark, Mrs Meek & Miss Priest Monica's Music Concert @ 10am – Parents of music lesson children welcome
Wednesday 1 st April	Parents Evening Mrs Freeman & Mrs Dunton
Thursday 2 nd	Parents Evening Mrs Clark Egyptian Day – Class 3 only Last Day of Spring Term
Friday 3 rd	Good Friday- No School PTFA Easter EGGStravaganza 2-4pm in the Hall

Cross Country Event - A big well done to everyone who took part in the inter-federation cross country event yesterday afternoon - we're proud to share that we finished in 3rd place! It was a lovely afternoon and a great opportunity to spend time with pupils from the other schools. Thank you to all the parents for supporting with travel arrangements, and to Mrs Meek for her help and organisation.

We are delighted to share that, through our participation in the Recycle to Read scheme, we have collected an impressive 7.5kg of used batteries, earning £30 in book vouchers for our school! These vouchers will be used to purchase new books to enrich our reading resources for all pupils.



Recycling batteries not only helps the environment but also directly benefits our school, so we would love your continued support. We encourage all parents and carers to bring in their used batteries and recycle them with us. Our collection box is conveniently located in reception—please do make use of it whenever you can! Thank you for helping us make a difference while supporting reading in our school.

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As a school we £220.40 for Comic Relief this year! A big thank you to everyone who took part and contributed – especially to our School Council and Mrs Stainton for holding such a successful Bake sale!

PTFA NEWS

Our PTFA Easter EGGStravaganza is fast approaching, and we are really looking forward to what promises to be a fun-filled and exciting event for our whole school community! To help make the event as special as possible, we are kindly asking for donations for our raffle. Any contributions—big or small—would be hugely appreciated and will help us create a fantastic selection of prizes.

If you are able to donate, please bring your items to the school office.

We are also looking for helpers on the day – if you can spare any time at all, we would be very grateful.

Your generosity and continued support make such a difference to events like this, and we are very grateful. Thank you for helping us make our Easter EGGStravaganza a memorable occasion for all!



Preschool News

We have had a lovely week in preschool, enjoying lots of outdoor play. We have enjoyed hearing from some of our older children over the last couple of weeks, who very kindly spoke to the children about their family farms and what they do day to day, we are very grateful. Thank you. Easter has arrived early at Preschool and we have been making a variety of Easter Crafts. As the weather is beginning to warm up, could we kindly ask that you send your child in with a sun hat and some sun cream please. The children have learnt to sign pig and cow this week and have been looking at words beginning with "F" which is our sound of the week.



Class 1 – Reception. PE Days: Monday and Friday. Thursday PM Forest School

This week in Reception we have been very busy preparing for the big bug ball! We each had a secret person to write an invitation to. Then we decorated them with bug themed paintings and delivered them secretly to our classmates. Today we made ladybird muffin pizzas and fruit bugs to share and after the feast, we had a bug-themed disco with some choice tunes! It was lovely to see all the fabulous costumes. In maths, we are looking at odd and even numbers as well as working on our reasoning by finding and explaining odd ones out in different groups of images.

Class 2 – Year One. PE Days: Monday and Tuesday.

These weeks are flying by and Year 1 have had another busy week in the classroom. We have been building up to our progress write based on wildlife found in our gardens. The children have had great fun using the iPads and information pages to research interesting facts and have begun to write some factual sentences in preparation for their independent write next week! We are all very much looking forward to getting into the Easter spirit next week and I have some lovely crafts planned for the end of our final week! Please check book bags for the Homework Diaries- these are now to replace the bookmark system for home reading. Please continue to tick in the diary whenever you have read at home, to support the children gaining their reading certificates.

Class 3 – Year Two & Three. PE Days: Monday and Fridays.

This week in Class 3, year 2 have been investigating shapes. They have counted sides and learnt the names of different polygons, used them to build 3D shapes and compared faces, edges and vertices - great work year 2! Meanwhile, Year 3 have been using what they know about the 2 and 4 times tables, to build their understanding of how to calculate answers to 8 times table questions and I have been so impressed with their understanding and logic. We finished this terms geography unit by comparing the frequency and effect of eruptions from different volcanoes and reminding ourselves of everything we have learnt about them. It has been a very enjoyable topic.



The children are bringing home a letter today with some more information about our Ancient Egyptian day next Thursday - let me know if you have any questions. Thank you.

Class 4 – Year Four & Five. PE Days: Monday and Friday.

We've had a wonderfully busy week in Class 4, filled with practical exploration, mathematical thinking, and plenty of curiosity. In DT, the children have been investigating gears and how they help machines move. Year 4 have been working on plotting coordinates in the first quadrant. They've been practising how to read and place points accurately on a grid, and using these skills to create different shapes. Year 5 have been exploring the associative and commutative laws in maths. Through practical examples and number investigations, they've been learning how these laws allow us to rearrange numbers in addition and multiplication to make calculations easier. Please could class 4 have any spare cardboard that you have for our DT topic.

Don't forget we have our 3km welly walk on Tuesday to raise money for hedgehogs. Thank you to those people who have sponsored us already!



Class 5 – Year Six. PE Day: Monday and Wednesday.

What a brilliant week in Class 5. The children have had their final mock SATS week of Year 6 and they have absolutely shone. I am so proud of their hard work, determination and resilience- they should be very proud of themselves! Have a lovely weekend everyone- you deserve a rest!

Celebration

Stars of the Week



Reception Cora
Year 1 Oliver
Year 2 Jacob
Year 3 Oscar

Year 4 Poppy
Year 5 Seren
Year 6 All of year 6!

Reader of the week...



Class 1 Bella
Class 2 Selena
Class 3 Albie
Class 4 Ted

Writer of the week....



KS1: Rufus
KS2: Matilda T

Yours sincerely,

Tess Coulthard

Executive Head Teacher

Lucinda Kirkham
Head of School



Diary Dates

Monday 20th April	Whole School	Return from Easter Break
Monday 4th May	Whole School	Bank Holiday
Monday 11th-14th May	Year 6	SAT's Week
Monday 18th & 19th May	Year 6	Sailing
Friday 22nd May	Whole School	Careers Day – more info to come!
Friday 3rd July	Whole School	Sports Day
Tuesday 7th July	Year 6	Singing Paddles – more info to come!
Saturday 3rd October	Everyone	PTFA Big Breakfast

2026 Residentials

Monday 20th April	Year 3	Extended Day Trip
Wednesday 10th - Thursday 11th June	Year 4	Residential
Monday 22nd June – Wednesday 24th June	Year 6	Residential

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