



# Loddiswell Primary School Newsletter Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

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Dear Parents and Carers, a huge well done to all of our children for another successful and exciting half term! We have enjoyed a fabulous few weeks filled with sunshine, smiles and lots of wonderful learning experiences across the school. The children have continued to work incredibly hard, showing enthusiasm, resilience and kindness in everything they do. We are very proud of all they have achieved this term. We hope the sunny weather continues as we look ahead to all of the exciting end-of-year activities and events we have planned - keep an eye on out for new additions to our diary dates below! There is certainly lots to look forward to in the weeks ahead! Thank you to all of our families for your continued support, and we wish everyone a happy and restful half term break.

**Today we say goodbye to Miss Walls who is sadly leaving our Loddiswell family today. I'm sure you will all join me in thanking Miss Walls and wishing her all the best for the future! Unfortunately, this does mean we have cancelled Dance Club.**

**We also say goodbye to Mrs Smaridge who left us this week to go on Maternity leave! We wish you all the best and can't wait to meet the new arrival.**

*Next Week!*

Date	Event – No Clubs this week, only A4A!
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June</b>	Return to school A4A Football club - Summer term 2 link: <a href="https://activities.bookpebble.co.uk/activity/achieve4all-football-club-ks12-loddiswell-monday-kingsbridge-64ff786c-1f3a-4e2c-80c1-88e97acd6f4f">https://activities.bookpebble.co.uk/activity/achieve4all-football-club-ks12-loddiswell-monday-kingsbridge-64ff786c-1f3a-4e2c-80c1-88e97acd6f4f</a>
<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	KCC Transition and Parents Presentation @ Loddiswell School 15.30-16.15pm
<b>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Fire Education Visit Year 5 KCC Sports Festival 09.15am -11am see letter Year 5/6 Inter-federation Netball Tournament – See MCAS
<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup></b>	
<b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	Sponsored Fun Run Fundraiser – see letter for more info!

### **SEND Coffee Afternoon - All parents welcome**

The next coffee afternoon will be a whole federation event based at Loddiswell Primary school on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2-3pm. We are excited to have Linda Willmott, who previously worked for the Devon Social, Emotional, Mental Health team, joining us to share information on: supporting children with worries, anxiety, emotional regulation and emotional based school avoidance. This will be a really informative session with opportunities to ask questions. We hope to see lots of you there.

## Careers Day – Thank You! ★

We would like to say a huge thank you to all of the wonderful visitors who gave up their time to support our recent Careers Day. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning about the many different career opportunities available to them and were inspired by the passion, knowledge and experiences shared throughout the day.

We were incredibly lucky to welcome professionals from a wide range of careers including plumbing, civil engineering, veterinary care, yacht specialism, social work, yoga instruction, electrical work, mechanics, policing, coastguard services, art, neonatal dietetics, the military, scientific research, tree surgery and gardening, ecology, farming and general practice medicine.

The children asked thoughtful questions, listened brilliantly and came away excited about the possibilities for their own futures. Experiences like these help broaden horizons, spark ambition and show our pupils the many different paths they can take in life.

Thank you once again to everyone who helped make the day such a success — your time and support were greatly appreciated by both the children and staff. A special Thank you to Mrs Hewitt for organising such a fantastic day for our children! ✨

Please keep an eye on our socials the first week back for photos!

### Friday 5th June – Sponsored Fun Run!

Get your trainers ready because our whole school is taking part in a Sponsored Fun Run! We are raising money for the wonderful Royal Navy and Royal Marines Charity and our PTFA. Every donation, big or small, will help make a difference. This event will take place at school and weather dependant will take place on the field or in the MUGA.

This exciting event is being organised as part of a Civic Award for one of our pupils, and we hope it will be a day full of fun, laughter and lots of running!

What's happening?

- Each class will take part in the run during the school day
- Every child who joins in will receive a special sticker
- Sponsorship forms will be sent home with children on Friday
- Please bring trainers and drinks bottle into school!
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Please return completed sponsorship forms to school by **Monday 8th June**.

#### Extra Challenge!

If we raise over £200, Mrs Kirkham has promised that she will run too!

Thank you for your support — let's see how far we can run together



### **Important - Summer Holiday Club update**

Unfortunately, we are no longer able to offer a summer club this year. The external provider we had arranged is no longer able to fulfil the commitment, which means we cannot proceed as planned.

We are truly sorry that we are unable to accommodate those who showed an interest. We understand this may be disappointing, and we want to express our sincere thanks to everyone who took the time to enquire and support the idea.

We hope to explore future opportunities when circumstances allow.

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

This week's highlight has doubtless been the careers day! It has been so inspiring to see the children learning about different careers, getting hands on with fixing pipes with a plumber, breathing and balancing with a yoga instructor and lots more! And it was a delight to see the children coming in dressed as what they wanted to be and role-playing in these roles throughout the day. A huge thanks from Reception to all the volunteers who came in to inspire us. We have also completed our phonics quizzes this week and are delighted with the progress the children continue to make in reading. Every week the children are becoming increasingly independent with completing their 'caterpillar challenges'. Please do look in their book bags so they can talk you through what they have been learning! Have a wonderful week in the sunshine and we look forward to welcoming the children back after half term.

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

This week has been another jam-packed week in the life of Year 1! From continuing our investigations into the alien rabbit, dissecting a fish in science and creating beautiful 3D birds we have worked very hard across the curriculum! We have thoroughly enjoyed our visits from the wonderful members of the community who have talked to us about their jobs and inspired us to think even more about what we would like to be when we grow up! As we head into the final half term of Year 1, we have lots of wonderful lessons, trips and experiences planned to finish our year together! With wonderful wishes for a sunny and restful half term.

### **Class 3 – Year Two & Three. PE Days: Monday and Thursday. Year 3 Thursday PM Forest School**

This week, Class 3 started our new English text beginning with a virtual bus journey where we took time to notice and talk about all the different sights and sounds. This has been feeding into their writing with some really lovely results. In Geography, we looked at the Amalfi Coast and made comparisons to the Alpine region. On Thursday, we all enjoyed getting messy using Modroc to cover our paper forms. They will be drying over the next week ready to paint after half term. Have a lovely week everyone!

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

Class 4 enjoyed a wonderful adventure to the Magical Garden at Alleron this week. The children spent time exploring the real Secret Garden, wandering among the blooming roses and meeting the resident ducks, Bob and Belinda, who quickly became class favourites. Back at school, we also began our set design project, with pupils sketching ideas and experimenting with materials as they bring their creative visions to life. We hope you all have a brilliant half term in the sunshine!

### **Class 5 – Year Six. PE Day: Wednesday and Friday**

Class 5 have had a very busy week. They spent Monday and Tuesday in Salcombe learning to sail. Despite the rain and wind, they had a fabulous time and it was fantastic to see them give it a go! We also spent time in Forest School this week and the children thoroughly enjoyed climbing trees and building dens. It has been a big half term for the

Year 6 children and I am ending it full of pride at how they have tackled everything. Have a lovely week off everyone- you have all thoroughly earned it!

# Celebration

## Stars of the Week



**Reception Freya**  
**Year 1 Nora**  
**Year 2 Rufus**  
**Year 3 George**

**Year 4 Raef**  
**Year 5 Arla**  
**Year 6 Charlie**

Yours sincerely,

Tess Coulthard

Executive Head Teacher

Lucinda Kirkham  
Head of School

## Diary Dates



<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Whole School	Year Group Photos
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Reception Class	Farm Visit
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June</b>	KS2	Fusion - Drowning prevention assembly
<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Preschool	Preschool Transition 2pm – 3pm
<b>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Preschool	Preschool Transition 2-pm
<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	Whole School	Sports Day
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	Year 6	Swimming @ Modbury – More info to come!
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 6	Singing Paddles – more info to come!
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Preschool	Parents presentation and Food tasting. 2pm for children and 2.45pm for Parents.
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 6 Whole School	Leavers Assembly – Y6 parents welcome 9.15am Break up for Summer
<b>Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October</b>	Everyone	PTFA Big Breakfast

## 2026 Residentials

<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 4	Residential
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 6	Residential

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ELLIOT VEALE KINGSBRIDGE

# CHILDREN'S AFTERSCHOOL TENNIS!

JOIN THE FUN, LEARN THE GAME!

## WEDNESDAY



4:30pm - 5:30pm:  
BEGINNER/IMPROVER

5:30pm - 6:30pm:  
TEEN YELLOW



## FRIDAY



4:30pm - 5:30pm:  
BEGINNER/IMPROVER

5:30pm - 6:30pm:  
TEEN YELLOW



## SATURDAY MORNINGS



9:30am - 10:30am:  
BEGINNER/IMPROVER

10:30am - 11:30am:  
TEEN YELLOW



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lta.org.uk/  
TennisCoaching](https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/TennisCoaching)

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Holiday Camps, and a Professional Restringing Service.

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# FREE SENSORY- FRIENDLY ORAL HEALTH SESSIONS

the  
**Fidget**  
project



- ♥ Free/donation-based 30 min session. Book through QR code.
- ♥ Calm, sensory-aware oral health sessions for children with sensory processing differences.
- ♥ Everyone welcome – no diagnosis needed!



**Scan QR code to book**

**THURSDAY 4TH JUNE:  
10:00AM – 12:00PM**

**THURSDAY 18TH  
JUNE:  
2:15 PM – 3:45PM**

**WEDNESDAY 24TH  
APRIL:  
2:00PM – 3:30PM**

 **Kingsbridge  
Community Hub,  
TQ7 1NL**

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PROCESSING  
DIFFERENCES**  
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