

Loddiswell Primary School Newsletter
Friday 25th September 2026
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Dear Parents and Carers, what a lovely sunny week we've had! The children have thoroughly enjoyed making the most of the beautiful weather and spending lots of time out on the field.

With the brighter afternoon sunshine, it can be a little more difficult to spot parents when releasing the children at the end of the day. To help make the process as smooth and quick as possible, please could we ask you to move a little closer to the collection point when waiting for your child. Thank you for your support with this.

The Big Breakfast is just around the corner! Please keep an eye on the board each morning for updates and information. If you're able to make a donation for either food or a raffle prize, the PTFA would be very grateful for your support.

We're also very excited for our **Harvest Assembly on Friday 2nd October at 3.00pm**. The children have been working hard practising their songs and poems, and we're looking forward to welcoming you for what promises to be a wonderful celebration. **Doors will open at 2.50pm.** If you would like to donate any dried goods for our Harvest celebrations, please bring them into the school office **before next Friday**.

As always, thank you for your continued support. We hope you all have a wonderful weekend!

PE

PE DAYS	
Reception	Monday
Class 2 (Year 1 & 2)	Monday and Friday
Class 3 (Year 3)	Monday and Wednesday
Class 4 (Year 4 & 5)	Monday and Tuesday
Class 5 (year 6)	Monday and Wednesday
Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on a **Monday ONLY**. On all other PE days, please bring PE kit in a bag to change into.	

Clubs

Day	Club	Club Lead	Group	Time
Monday	A4A Sport Club SATS Club Colouring Club	A4A Miss Priest Mrs Shuttleworth	 Year 6 Only KS1 & KS2	15.30 -16.30 15.30-16.15 12.30-13.00
Tuesday	**No Clubs**			

Wednesday	Tag Rugby Lego Club	Miss Dodds Mrs Freeman	KS2 KS1/KS2	15.30-16.15 15.30-16.15
Thursday	Art Club Colouring Club	Miss Treeby Mrs Dunton	KS1/KS2 KS1/KS2	15.30-16.15 15.30-16.00
Friday	**No Clubs**			

Preschool info

What a wonderful week we have had in preschool, the children have been making self portraits using a mirror to see what colour eyes and hair they have. They have been exploring the outdoor tuff trays and building their own families. We have been talking about emotions and what makes us happy.
Seeing all our lovely children walk through the gates each morning makes us very happy
Have a super weekend

Lisa, Jess, Kelly and Tanya.

Class info

Class 1 – Reception. PE day: Monday

Our Reception class are now really settled, loving completing the activities across the provision and playing and learning together. This week we've been learning the sounds i n m d and doing loads of activities related to the sounds we have learnt, including having lots of fun throwing wet sponges into hoops matching our sounds. We have done brilliantly counting to 5 in maths and matching these to the correct numeral. We've spent lots of time exploring outside this week, practising climbing, balancing and swinging and on Friday afternoon we are going to the Forest to collect natural materials to make into art work in the style of Andy Goldsworthy.

Class 2 – Year 1 & Year 2. PE Days: Monday and Friday

The children have shown fantastic resilience and determination as they continue to settle into our new routines. They have really risen to the challenge, and I am so proud of each and every one of them. This week we have become authors, writing our own spooky stories about somebody being scared. From hairy spiders to slimy slugs hiding in the bath, we have had lots of fun getting creative! In Maths, Year 2 have been consolidating numbers beyond 100, with a focus on writing them accurately. For a little home learning, Year 1 could practise recognising numbers beyond 10 through games such as Snakes and Ladders, hunting for hidden numbers or spotting numbers in the environment when out and about. Year 2 could practise reading and writing numbers beyond 100, perhaps spotting numbers on house numbers, signs or prices when out and about. Both year groups can also keep practising on Numbots! In Science, we thoroughly enjoyed dissecting seeds and discovering that conkers and acorns are actually seeds! A little reminder that spelling words will be sent home this week. Please support your children in learning these ready for next Friday. Thank you for your continued support, with warm wishes for the weekend.

Class 3 – Year 3. PE Days: Monday and Wednesday

We have had a busy week planning our *Guide to Survival in the Wilderness*, linked to our current English unit. In Maths, we completed our end-of-unit assessment on adding and subtracting, and the children worked incredibly hard throughout.
We have also been practising for our Harvest Festival assembly and we are looking forward to sharing it with you next Friday!

Class 4 – Year 4 & Year 5. PE Days: Monday and Tuesday. Forest school: Thursday PM.
Class 4 has had a great week. We have had lots of children wanting to challenge themselves in maths, which is great to see. We have also started planning our non-chronological reports about the Hidden Figures of NASA. Hopefully the children have come home with their spellings to practice at home. This will be tested on Monday. Next Friday for our art lesson, the children will be required to bring small toys/ figurines in to create a small world scene as inspiration for our art work. I will be sending a slip home with children tonight to show examples of this.

Class 5 – Year 6. PE Days: Monday and Wednesday
Year 6 have had another fantastic week. They have produced some brilliant writing in English, getting into the mindset of different characters in the book and producing some very empathetic writing. In PE, the children had a fantastic time playing handball and thoroughly enjoyed carrying out a voltage experiment in science.

Celebration

Stars of the Week:

Reception – Beau
Year 1 – Jess
Year 2 – Artemis
Year 3 – Seb
Year 4 – Louis
Year 5 – Matilda
Year 6 - Sylvester



Reader of the week…

Class 1 – Summer
Class 2 – Reggie
Class 4 – Floss
Class 5 – Seren



Diary Dates – New events in RED



Friday 2nd October	Everyone	Harvest Festival @ 3pm in the school Hall. **Tinned and dry donations welcome, please give to the school office asap.**
Saturday 3rd October	Everyone	PTFA Big breakfast
Friday 9th October	Year 6	Junior Lifeskills (More info to follow)
Thursday 15th October	Y3 to Y6	Cross Country Federation Event – See letter for details
Friday 16th October	Year 4 – Year 6	Rotary Swimarathon (More info to follow)
W/C 19th October	Everyone	Parents Evening Week (More info to follow)
Wednesday 21st October	Parents Year 2	SEND Coffee afternoon in the hall 14.30-15.30pm with Mrs French Open Wide and Step inside Dental Visit
Friday 23rd October	Everyone	Open Door – Come and see your child's work in their classroom. Time TBC
Friday 13th November	Everyone	Children in Need School Council Bake Sale 4pm in the school hall. **Donations welcome!**
Thursday 3rd December	Everyone	PTFA Wreath Making in the evening
Tuesday 8th December	Year 5/6	Pantomime – More information coming soon
Wednesday 10th February	KS2	Federation Gym and Dance Show – Details TBC
Friday 12th February	Everyone	PTFA School Disco
Friday 2nd July 2027	Everyone	Sports Day

PTFA info

A message from the PTFA:

Our **PTFA Big Breakfast on Saturday 3 October** is fast approaching, and we need a real community effort to make it a brilliant success!

There are lots of ways you can help:

Donate food items

Please take a look at the sign-up board outside school and add your name if you are able to donate any of the items needed for the breakfast.

Make a financial contribution

If donating food isn't possible, you can contribute towards the event via the QR code provided. Every contribution, big or small, is greatly appreciated.

Buy and return raffle tickets

Raffle tickets have been sent home in children's school bags. Please support this important fundraiser by buying as many as you can and returning completed ticket stubs and payment to school **by next Friday**.

Volunteer on the day

We are still looking for helpers to make the event run smoothly. Whether you can spare an hour for one of the various shifts or help throughout the morning, we'd love to hear from you. Many hands make light work! Contact loddiswellptfa@gmail.com or grab one of the PTFA team at drop off/pick up.

The Big Breakfast is a fantastic community event and an important fundraiser for the school. Thank you to everyone who has already offered support, and to all those who are able to help in any way. Together, we can make this year's Big Breakfast our best yet! See you next Saturday at school!

Thank you for your continued support from all of us at the PTFA.

Support the PTFA Big Breakfast on Saturday 3rd October!

Raffle tickets - £2 per ticket

£10 per book of 5 tickets

Payable by cash to the school office or online via PayPal

Amazing prizes to be won – see our Facebook page for details

PTFA Big Breakfast Raffle Tickets

Yours sincerely,

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