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FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a lovely couple of weeks we have had; it has been lovely to see the sun shine; although it's feeling decidedly chillier this week. Hope it warms up again for the Easter holidays!

Last Friday saw the school celebrate Comic Relief – thanks to your generosity, we raised £64.00 to support this worthy cause.

Willow Class has been really enthusiastic about their learning all about The Great Fire of London and welcomed a visitor from Wilts & Dorset Fire & Rescue Service to talk all about fire safety. (She also visited the other 2 classes too!)

We hope you managed to visit your child's class to participate in the Stay & Play Maths Sessions this week. The children have been very enthusiastic to see their parents in class! We hope you found the sessions useful and informative. If you ever have any questions about your child's learning, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher at the end of the day, via Tapestry or through the school office. They'd be glad to help!

Bath Rugby

We had a team of avid supporters travel to Bath last weekend to watch Bath Rugby vs Sale Sharks at The Rec.

It was an exciting game & the children really enjoyed cheering enthusiastically & walking round the pitch at half time waving their flags! The score was 27-27 and I know the last minutes of the game were really nail biting!



Covid Update

Although not reported as much in the media, the coronavirus disease is very much still with us. We have been informed by Wiltshire Council that our area of Corsham, Bowden Hill & Lacock has one of the highest case rate per 100,000 people for 7-day period (1799 per 100,000 people). We have had 1 case in Willow last week and we continue to keep all the safety systems in place in school (keeping rooms well

ventilated, extra washing of hands, cleaning surfaces and keeping class groups separate wherever possible).

Thank you for continuing to be vigilant at home and please remember that although the legal requirement for isolation has been lifted, children should not be sent to school if infectious with Covid - 19. Can I please emphasise the need to test your child before school if they are at all unwell, as this will help to prevent further infections. Your help with this is very much appreciated.



School Clubs Term 5 and 6

As you are aware as a small school we do find it a struggle to offer after-school clubs every evening after school. We have had some very successful clubs running this academic year:

- scrap store (all year around)
- lego club (term 4,5,6)
- outdoor club (term 2)
- rugby club (term 4)

I know in the past parents have expressed additional ideas for after school clubs - cooking, hockey, rounders, art, pottery etc and some parents have also declared an interest in potentially running some of these after school clubs for us with support from school staff for a short term (5 or 6 weeks). This would be fantastic if it was something we were able to take forward and use the support of our parent community as well.

If you do have a passion, hobby or skill that you feel you could share with us as a school to help benefit the children, it would be great if you could let the school office know what club it is and what days of the week you would be able to run this club.

Many thanks
Mrs Whitbread

Termly Ordering for School Lunches Terms 5 and 6

Ordering for terms 5 and 6 will go live tomorrow, Friday 1st April at 2.00pm on the Sue Brady website [Sue Brady Catering School Meals](#) school lunch orders.

Menus are also available on the school website with allergen codes and an allergy code chart. The closing date for ordering for the whole term is 9.00am Thursday 21st April (once closed no seasonal orders can be added).

If you have a child in reception, year 1 or year 2 or if you are eligible for FSM please use the code **sbc18**.

If you have any issues ordering, please call Sue Brady on 01672519200.



Easter Service And End Of Term Arrangements

We are delighted to invite parents and carers to our Easter Service at St Cyriac's, Lacock, starting at 1.30pm on Friday 8th April.

Following the service, the children will be brought back to school by their class teacher and dismissed at 2.30pm.



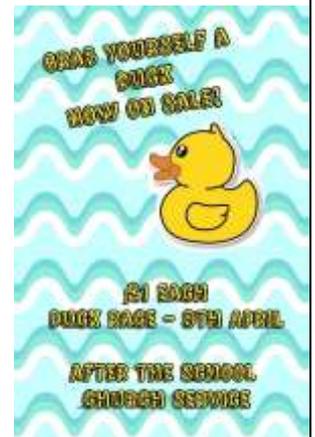
Pupils of Lacock School are welcome to take part in the FLS duck race and, by the kind invitation of Mrs Naylor-Leyland, an egg hunt in her garden after the duck race. All children must be collected from school by a parent / carer before attending these events. If you are unable to collect your child at 2.30pm, please let your class teacher know.

Thank you for your support.

FLS (Friends of Lacock School) Ducks Selling Fast....

Great News! The FLS annual Duck Race and Easter Egg hunt is set to go ahead this year! As it has been a couple of years since it was last held I thought it may be a good idea to go through the event for parents/carers.

After school on the 8th April, the children either head down to the bridge with Mrs Jackson or go straight to the ford. Mrs Jackson will release approximately 200 ducks into the river and then the children race down to the village ford to see which duck wins. You will be able to purchase a duck (or a few) prior to the event - FLS members will be selling the ducks for a £1 in the playground. Keep an eye out for the clipboard! Wellies are always a good idea as we all end up getting in the ford for a good splash around. There will be prizes for the winners and the last duck.



Straight after the Duck race Mrs Naylor-Leyland invites the school children into her garden for an Easter egg hunt. Mrs Naylor-Leyland kindly provides all the Easter eggs (children with allergies will have eggs provided too). There will be drinks and cakes also.

We hope you can join us - the Duck race and Easter egg hunt is a great highlight of the FLS year.

Wiltshire Family Learning

We have been asked to share the information below with you & urge you to go on their webpage <https://workwiltshire.co.uk/family-learning> to find out more. They offer some great free courses for parents (see eligibility criteria) to support a wide range of issues.

We will be sending an email directly to parents about some courses coming up soon.

If you're interested but don't feel you are eligible, we recommend you ring them; they're keen to hear from **all** parents!

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Who are we? What do we do?

We deliver courses to adults online via laptop, tablet or smart phone, the courses we offer will:

- support parents/carers to help children at home
- improve confidence and wellbeing of the whole family
- help you polish up on your maths, English and ESOL skills
- and even help you to gain employment.

We are a friendly team that will help you achieve your goals and get you back into learning with fun and enthusiasm. Please do not hesitate to contact our team for a little more information we really want to hear from you!
Please see the details below:

Call us 01225 770478

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Alternatively, check out our courses online. Please visit www.workwiltshire.co.uk/family-learning/



Are you struggling to engage your child with phonics, maths, science or English? Try not to worry, we can help!



COURSES ARE FUNDED BY THE EDUCATION AND SKILLS FUNDING AGENCY. LEARNERS MUST BE 19+, SERVICE FAMILY, HAVE BEEN RESIDENT IN UK/EU FOR THREE OR MORE YEARS, HAVE LESS THAN FIVE GCSE GRADES A-C AND/OR IN RECEIPT OF BENEFITS. IF YOU ARE STUCK IN A RUT OR GOING THROUGH A DIFFICULT TIME WE CAN ALSO HELP. PLEASE CALL US TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT OUR COURSES AND HOW TO JOIN.

REMINDERS

Governor wanted for Lacock CofE Primary School in Wiltshire

Lacock Church of England Primary School is in the historical National Trust village of Lacock in the heart of the Wiltshire countryside. The village is steeped in history and the school itself was built in 1824 by Lacock's most famous resident, William H. Fox Talbot.

It is a small church school and there are currently 68 children on roll, taught in three mixed-age classes. The governing board is made up of 11 governors and we are currently looking to fill a vacancy for a co-opted governor.

The links below will take you to our school website so you can find out more about our school:

[About the School - Lacock Primary School](#)

[Vision and Ethos' - Lacock Primary School](#)

What school governors do

The governing board provides strategic leadership and accountability in schools. There are three key functions:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent
- Holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils

There is no requirement for you to have an understanding of the education system, just the necessary skills, character and time to contribute as well as a love of learning and a wish to see this developed in others. There is plenty of training and support available to help you learn about education.

What you need to commit to

If you become a governor, you need to:

- Take part in regular governors' meetings, usually six times a year with committee meetings in addition to this
- Spend time on training and getting to know the school
- Play your part in carrying out aspects of the strategic monitoring of the school

What you can get out of it

There are many benefits in becoming a governor including:

- Making a positive difference to children's futures by improving outcomes and life chances
- Making a valuable contribution to the educational community and the local community
- Bringing your unique life experiences to aid decision-making in the interests of the school community
- Developing and utilising your skills in a board-level environment at a strategic level
- Developing your own skills which employers' value

Interested in finding out more?

Please contact our Chair of Governors Simon Winfield s.winfield@lacock.wilts.sch.uk to have an initial conversation.

All staff are subject to safer recruitment processes and checks and we follow the guidance set out in Part 3 of KCSiE (2021). At Lacock Primary School, we scrutinise all applications for paid or voluntary posts. We undertake interviews and make appropriate checks through the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS).

LACOCK PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS



All the children and families of Lacock School are invited to join Lacock Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

Bring a picnic and join the Big Lunar Lunch. There will be games to play, competitions to enter and

a limited edition Lacock jubilee mug presented to each child from School,
as well as live music, dancing, bar, and BBQ

SAVE THE DATES AND JOIN IN THE CELEBRATIONS

THURSDAY 2ND JUNE - BEACON DAY
PROCLAMATION AND TOAST IN THE VILLAGE 2PM
LIGHTING THE BOWDEN HILL BEACON 9.38PM

SUNDAY 5TH JUNE BIG LUNAR LUNCH
PICNIC ON THE PLAYING FIELD 3.30 ONWARDS
LIVE MUSIC GAMES DANCING BBQ BAR

A REAL COMMUNITY EVENT- HOPE YOU CAN MAKE IT

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE LACOCK PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE OR TALK TO
GEORGIA MALONEY, GEORGINA DOEL OR LUCY SIMMS, MEMBERS OF LACOCK JUBILEE
COMMITTEE

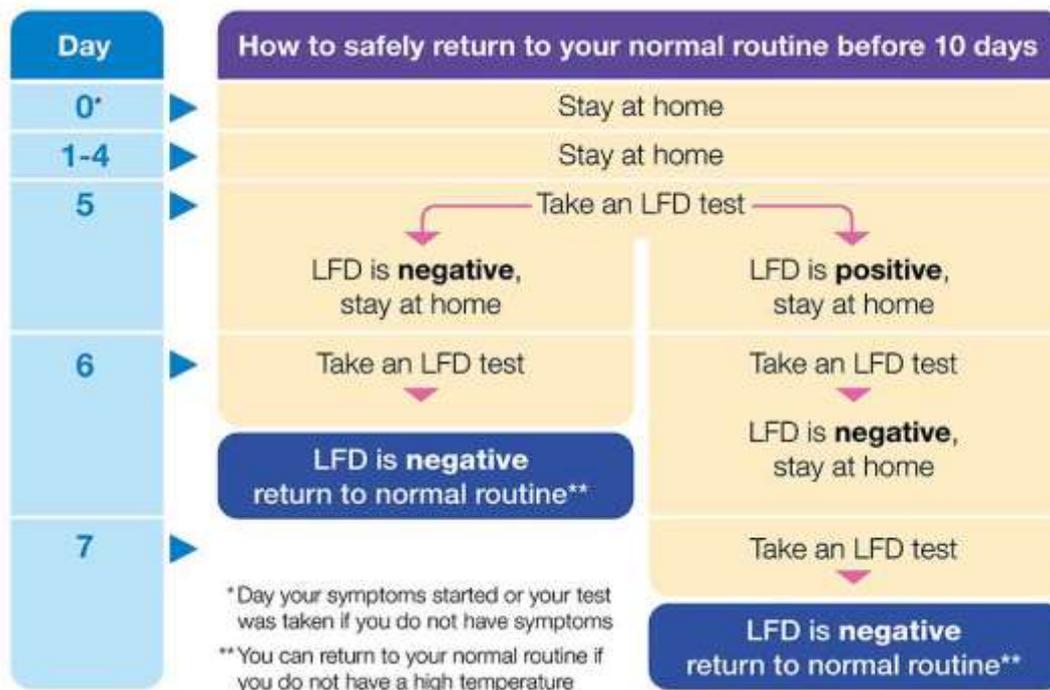
Letters sent home via Parentmail in the last fortnight

Subject	Class / year group	Date
Provisional letter about Braeside residential	Oak	Wednesday 23 rd March

Some events (*in italics*) are run by Friends of Lacock School (FLS) and are not yet confirmed.

All dates are subject to change. We will give as much notice of any changes as possible.

April 2022	
Friday 8 th	Easter Service at 1.30pm – all welcome
Friday 8 th	School ends at 2.30pm
Friday 8 th	<i>Duck Race and Easter Egg Hunt</i>
Monday 25 th	Term 5 begins for all pupils
May 2022	
Monday 2 nd	May Day Holiday (no pupils in school)
Friday 27 th	Term 5 ends
June 2022	
Sunday 5 th	Big Lunar Lunch (run by the Jubilee committee)
Monday 6 th	TD Day (no pupils in school)
July 2022	
Monday 4 th	TD Day (no pupils in school)
Friday 22 nd	Term 6 ends





DUCK RACE & EASTER EGG HUNT



8TH APRIL - AFTER SCHOOL

£1 A DUCK



THE DUCKS WILL BE ON SALE IN THE PLAYGROUND IN THE
COMING WEEKS. THERE WILL BE PRIZES FOR 1ST 2ND 3RD AND
THE WOODEN SPOON FOR LAST PLACE.

DON'T FORGET YOUR WELLIES



HAPPY
EASTER!

