



Newsletter Friday 24th March 2023

Headteacher News

And so the spring term is nearly over, and I find myself writing my final newsletter piece to you all and feel there is still so much to say and I do not have long to say it!

As we are flying towards the summer term there are so many changes that keep things exciting at Loose. You will know this from what your children tell you they are learning at school and what you see is happening on Twitter.

Your children continue to learn incredible things across the school, their behaviour and attitudes to their learning and friends is exceptional. I see the school values – respect, determination, trust, compassion and pride – acted out in all they do in school. Our children at Loose are really remarkable in the way they present themselves, what they say, do and how they act. They are all truly a pleasure to be with and teach.

Staffing

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Cornell who has not only been a wonderful TA with us for many years but of course also has led our After School Club and Holiday Play Scheme, enabling many working families to access excellent child care here on site.

We wish Mrs Cornell the very best of luck in her new post – we will miss you so much and thank you for the many years of hard work where you have set up and leave for us all such a wonderful facility that will continue long after you leave us. Thank you.

We thank Mrs Cornell also as she will work with us a little over the holidays to ensure there is a thorough handover to the new lead when they start.

In the Easter holidays Miss Pye is getting married. We offer our congratulations to the happy couple and will welcome back Mrs Woodberry after the holidays. Miss Pye has said she will continue to use her maiden name too for ease for her class until everyone (including Miss Pye!) gets used to her new name!

Extended Services - We are currently recruiting for the lead post but rest assured Mrs Dutch is overseeing this with the amazing team, so provision will not be affected.

I feel this term there have been so many things going on in our vibrant and busy school. We have welcomed new pupils and staff and said goodbye to some too. We have had our normal school reviews to consider and reflect upon our curriculum offer and build upon it, alongside our professional development offer for staff to ensure we can offer the children the very best we can. Learning continues to be enhanced and improved, ensuring children achieve their best. Lots is going on with our office team as we look at new systems for behind the scenes to make the school run even more efficiently. All of this makes you realise that school life continues come what may, schools grow, develop and respond to whatever happens to them and within them. Loose over the years has grown stronger with Coppice Primary Partnership and working as part of a larger organisation - who knows what opportunities lay ahead? One thing I do not doubt is that these opportunities will be good ones. Good for families, good for children and good for the staff that such an organisation attracts. As you can probably guess I would say - the potential really is limitless.

Have a wonderful weekend

Hopefully see you at the church services or open afternoon next Friday.

Sarah Holman



Assistant Headteacher News

Hello everyone, Mr Farley here this week. I've had the huge pleasure of working with Miss Ambrose this week, our child Assistant Headteacher for the day. Miss Ambrose visited all classrooms across the school and was pleased to report that behaviour across the school was excellent, classrooms were tidy, well organised and purposeful and presentation in books is looking strong.

Miss Ambrose also spoke to our Trust team, kitchen staff, music teacher, IT technician and art lead to ensure that they had everything they needed to help do their jobs. Miss Ambrose was a tremendous support to me and I hope she thoroughly enjoyed her day.



Comic Relief 17th March

Thank you for all your donations for Comic Relief - ***we raised £569.50!***

RED NOSE DAY 2023

Turkey/Syria Fundraiser

Can we say a huge thank you to everyone that contributed to the Turkey/Syria Fundraiser either by coming in and buying cakes or donating online. We raised a huge **£793.77** which has been sent to the British Red Cross to help the victims of the terrible earthquake.

Loose Primary Hockey Tournament

On Thursday 16th March, 24 children from Loose Primary took part in a Yr5&6 Hockey Tournament at Maidstone Hockey Club, we took two teams, a Year 4 development team and a Year 5&6 team too.

The children played friendly games against most teams who attended from East Farleigh, Boughton Monchelsea, Roseacre & Archbishop Bishop Courtney schools. The aim of the Tournament was to give children as many matches as possible whilst seeing them improve and become more confident as the time went on.

It was lovely to see so many children from Loose but also other primary schools enjoying their hockey, so much so that with all schools agreeing we stayed and played more games after the allotted time!

The children were excellent with some lovely individual and team play, as well as superb goals scored too.

Thank you so much to the parents for their help and support transporting and encouraging our children and to Maidstone Hockey Club for the use of the pitch and their volunteers for umpiring, coaches etc. It made it a really special afternoon for the children.

Lastly, well done to our hockey players, you were truly amazing and I'm so proud of you all.

(Our Loose Twitter account will have some pictures of this event).

Miss Carter

Diary Dates

Term 4

31 Mar - Easter Services at All Saints Church, Loose

31 Mar - Open Afternoon from 2.00-3.30pm - children can be signed out from 2pm onwards

31 Mar - Last day of term

Term 5

17 Apr - Back to school

17 Apr - National Offer Day for September Year R places - emails from 4pm

18 Apr - PTA Meeting 8pm Chequers Pub

21 Apr - Mrs Dutch's Drop In Session 2.15-3.15pm

27 Apr - Year 2 Tyland Barn Trip

27 Apr - PTA Pop Up Second Hand Uniform Shop KS1 Playground 3pm

28 Apr - Non-uniform day - more info to follow

28 Apr - Mrs Dutch's Drop In Session 2.15-3.15pm

01 May - Bank Holiday

02 May - Diamond Class Assembly 9am Brook Hall - families invited

04 May - Year 3 Living Land Trip - Detling Showground

05 May - Mrs Dutch's Drop In Session 2.15-3.15pm

08 May - Bank Holiday

09-12 May KS2 SATs Tests - All Y6 children must be in school

12 May - Mrs Dutch's Drop In Session 2.15-3.15pm

16 May - Moonstone Class Assembly 9am Brook Hall - families invited

16 May - PTA Meeting

19 May - Parent Council Meeting

23 May - Sapphire Class Assembly 9am Brook Hall - families invited - note date change

23 May - Year 3 Living History Workshop

23 May - Year 5 Herstmonceux Trip

26 May - Last day of term - children due back in school 06 June 2023



Valuables in School

We would strongly advise that children should not be bringing valuable items to school like Fitbit's or smart watches in case they get lost or damaged. ***The school cannot accept liability for loss of or damage to such property and possessions.***

Easter Church Services

We will be celebrating Easter at All Saints Church, Loose next Friday. The children will be attending in three groups as the church cannot accommodate the whole school in one sitting.

Parents are very welcome to come and join us in church and we have also included the time you should arrive so that you can be there at the same time as your child. If you bring younger siblings along could you please take them out if they are upset or being noisy as it's very unsettling for the children doing bible readings etc. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Group	1	2	3
Classes	Crystal	Pearl	Opal
	Diamond	Sapphire	Moonstone
	Tanzanite	Aquamarine	Turquoise
	Amber	Coral	Jade
	Emerald	Onyx	Ruby
	Amethyst	Topaz	Sunstone
	Quartz	Zultanite	Peridot
Time children leaving school	9.00am	9.45am	10.30am
Time for parents/carers to arrive at church	9.15am	10.00am	10.45am

Holiday Play Scheme

Online bookings are now open for the Easter Holiday Play Scheme. All bookings must be made via the school website using the link below:-

<https://www.loose-primary.kent.sch.uk/form/?pid=15&form=17>



Open Afternoon Friday 31st March

Parents/carers are invited in to school between 2.00pm and 3.30pm next Friday, 31st March. Come and see your child(ren)'s work & catch up with their teacher. Children can be signed out from the classroom and taken home from 2.00pm onwards. The children will be given a sticker and will not be allowed to leave the building without one. Children cannot be signed out by anyone else unless we have received your written authority in their Learning Journal or you have telephoned the office with a message in advance. Messages must be with the office **no later than 12.00pm** that day so they can deliver them round the school before 2.00pm.

Certificate of Excellence

Well done to the following children who received their Certificate of Excellence!

Week Ending 17th March

Isabelle S - Diamond Class

Reggie A - Sapphire Class

Callum M - Moonstone Class

Olive H - Tanzanite Class

Remy B - Aquamarine Class

Arabella S - Turquoise Class

Week Ending 24th March

Lyon F - Topaz Class

Pippa T - Sunstone Class

Chloe F - Peridot Class

Phora H - Zultanite Class

Ethan S - Quartz Class



House Points Winner of Term 4

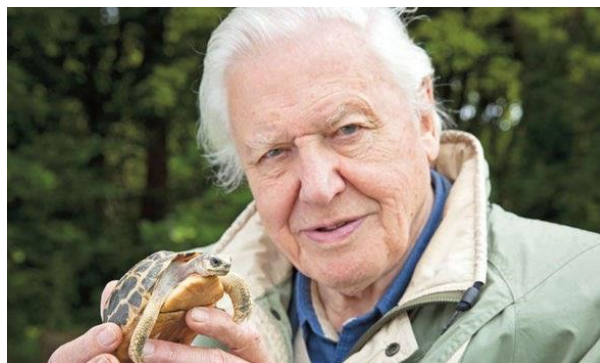
1st - Attenborough

2nd - Parks

3rd - Curie

4th - Donaldson

WELL DONE TO ATTENBOROUGH!



PTA Events & Dates

Spring Raffle LIVE NOW!

We have a huge number of absolutely amazing prizes in our Spring raffle fundraiser. Tickets are available now, £1 each! Payment online or cash. See previous email for details on prizes, how to

purchase tickets and instructions for emailing your details in case you win! Draw takes place on Thursday 30th March.

Sensory Garden

We are currently fundraising towards this fantastic project and are interested in hearing from anyone who is able to source and lay paving slabs for free to get the project off the ground. Please email loosepta@yahoo.co.uk for more information if you would like to be involved with the slabs or with the project in general.

New PTA Bank Details

Please make sure you are using our new account details when paying monies to the PTA. These are as follows:

The bank details for the PTA are:

Name: Loose Primary School PTA

Sort Code: 23-05-80

Account: 47721759

Please note this is a metro bank account so you may get a message saying it cannot be verified. Please be reassured -it is our new account!

Lucky Lotto Winner

Congratulations to Amy Hamer who won the March draw!

Next Meeting

The next PTA meeting will take place on **Tuesday 18th April**, 8pm at the Chequers pub, Loose village. All welcome.

PTA Preloved Uniform Shop

Every Wednesday morning 8.30-9.00am in Owl room (access via KS1 Moonstone). Trousers, shorts, dresses, skirts, shirts, PE kit, ties, cardigans, jumpers etc. Items £1-5. Pop in and see if we have what you need or drop off clean, washed items during this time.

Loose Primary School Running Club

Community run next date - Sunday 26th March 2023, £1 to join in, 5km distance but can go longer or shorter! All abilities welcome. Meet at the Anglesey Avenue bus stop, 8am or 9am outside school.



Coppice Dance Workshop

On Monday 12 Children from Yr3 & 4 attended a Dance workshop @ Coxheath Primary on Monday.

They were taught Tap, Contemporary and Freestyle by a dance specialist, learning rhythm, movement and putting it together into routines. Mrs Smith and myself were very impressed with how hard they worked. A Lovely enjoyable morning.

Please see Twitter for pictures from the morning.

Miss Carter

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