



Weekly Newsletter 25th February 2022

Headteacher News

It has been a super start to Term 4 at Loose with lovely weather following the dreadful storms last week and high winds on Monday and great learning seen in all our classes. As staff, we are continuing to focus in our planning, professional development and school improvement work on ensuring all learners are successful and able to access the wonderful curriculum on offer. It is a delight (and what we all entered the profession for) to see your children making great progress.

Thank you for ensuring that your children come in and leave via our 3 gates. We hope that this arrangement remains now that Covid restrictions have been lifted. Schools, in line with all guidance now do not need staff to test twice weekly with lateral flow tests and no one needs to isolate by law even if they have Covid, however this is recommended, so like with sickness bugs (that spread easily) we do ask that you keep your children at home if they have symptoms and test positive wherever possible to control the spread. We do not want any setbacks! To read our current Risk Assessment please click here <https://www.loose-primary.kent.sch.uk/page/?title=COVID&pid=211>

We have welcomed parents to our Learner of the Week assemblies again today and look forward to Year 1 class assemblies this term. We have reintroduced assemblies in year groups, phases, across the school and key stages in school so it is really feeling more normal in many ways again to be able to get together and share messages, excellence and our school improvement journey.

This week we experienced a day in history 22/2/22 which was not only a special day because of the 2s but because it was National School Governor Awareness Day. We are very grateful to our governors who not only offer us support but challenge and a professional sounding board when carrying out monitoring and in meetings to ensure our pupils receive the best education we can

offer them. Click here to find out more about our governors at Loose <https://www.loose-primary.kent.sch.uk/page/?title=Governance&pid=39>

The date 22/2/22 is not only a palindrome but an ambigram too and can be read from left to right, right to left and upside down!

World Book Day – 3rd March (Next Thursday!)

This year we have again decided to host a vocabulary parade for World Book day as just one of the special things planned to celebrate the importance of reading and a love of books! We will celebrate by dressing up as the definition of a word! Have a little search of 'Vocabulary parade' and see what inspiration you come across!

Admissions

We are delighted that over 100 families have applied for a Reception place at Loose as their first choice this year. The total choices were again over 200 and show the popularity of our amazing school.

Have a great weekend

Sarah Holman



Important - Move from Scopay to School Money

From term 5 we will be moving our parent payment system across from SCOPAY to School Money. School Money is part of Teachers2Parents which we currently use for emails, text messages and parents evening bookings. This should make it easier for parents as you can find it all on the one App on your phones/iPads etc.

We will be using School Money for all extended services payments & bookings, trips, extra-curricular clubs, charity days etc. For the time being however, dinner money will remain on ParentPay.

As SCOPAY will be shut down at the end of this term, ALL outstanding payments must be cleared by the 1st April for extended services (including any Easter Holiday Play Scheme bookings), any extra – curricular clubs your child is doing this term (such as singing, hockey etc) and the Year 6 Trip (The

deadline for the last instalment for this is March). Any credits on the SCOPAY system will be transferred over to the new system.

Later this term we will be emailing out a link for you all to set your School Money Accounts and giving you more information.

Assistant Headteacher News

Hello everyone, Mr Farley here this week.

It's been wonderful seeing children coming into school so energetically this week and telling their teachers what they've done during their time off.

This term we are focusing on our high expectations of behaviour and uniform. Children are moving around school really well and understand our expectations. We're closely monitoring uniform and children are looking smart and wearing the correct uniform on the whole. Please check the uniform policy on our website [here](#) if you have any doubts, particularly regarding shoes as some girls are beginning to wear ankle boots into school which we don't allow. Have a great weekend.



Term 4

01 Mar - Secondary School Offer Day - emails to parents from 4pm

01 & 03 Turquoise Class Parents Evening

02 Mar - School Council trip to the Houses of Parliament

03 Mar - World Book Day - see letter sent to parents

08 Mar - Diamond Class Assembly

08 & 09 Mar - Year R vision & height/weight and Year 6 height & weight

08 Mar - Wild Child Information Evening for Year 6 parents Orchard Hall 6.00-6.45pm

11 Mar - KS1 SATs Information Meeting for Year 2 parents - Orchard Hall 2.45-3.15pm

14-18 Mar - British Science Week

15 Mar - Sapphire Class Assembly

18 Mar - Comic Relief - more info to follow

18 Mar - Parent Council Meeting

22 Mar - Moonstone Class Assembly

23 & 24 Mar - Loose Gets Lively Performances Cornwallis Academy

01 Apr - Easter Church Services

01 Apr - Open Afternoon - chance to speak to your child's class teacher and look at their learning. Children can be signed out from 2pm onwards

01 Apr - Last day of term - children return to school on 19 April 2022



Learner of the Week

Pearl - Rupert H

Opal - Heath C

Crystal - Emily G

Diamond - Gabriela N

Sapphire - Jack F

Moonstone - Olive H

Tanzanite - Maisie J

Aquamarine - Elise S

Turquoise - Tilly G

Coral - Isaac R

Amber - Murphy B

Jade - Tommy N

Emerald - Isabella L

Onyx - Hannah F

Ruby - Georgia I, Emma M & Millicent L

Topaz - Freddie G

Sunstone - Emily P

Amethyst - Ava W

Peridot - Alex D

Zultanite - Harry A/H

Quartz - James D



Governor Information

Hello there, I am Sean Johnson and a new associate member of the Governing Body at Loose Primary School. I have had the privilege of working here at Loose for 6 years now and have occupied multiple roles within the school which really helps give me a holistic understanding of the school and how each cog of the machine works.

I began working at Loose in the after-school club whilst also working at a PRU (Pupil Referral Unit) in Maidstone and since then have gone on to be a Teaching Assistant, a Trainee Teacher, Teacher, Assistant Headteacher and finally Deputy Headteacher. I have loved each of the roles I have filled here at Loose and the experiences I have had. My ultimate aim is to ensure that quality of education here at Loose for all of our children is the very best that it can be. I have a passion for curriculum development and ensuring we are delivering a well sequenced and knowledge-rich curriculum for all children.

Outside of school, I am an active person and struggle to stay still for more than 5 minutes! So I spend large majority of my weekends outside walking with my family or attempting some DIY at home. I have two daughters who keep me very busy and one who keeps me awake at night so if I ever look a little tired it has probably been a difficult night!



Dangerous Parking

The following vehicles are regularly parking on the double yellow lines at the end of Anglesey Avenue at the end of the day. This is dangerous and extremely inconsiderate. We have passed the photos onto the PCSO and asked him to come and do regular patrols.

LV62 EGU - Silver Peugeot

J333 BAH - Yellow Jeep

KF15 XXS - Silver Mazda

KY59 FRD - Grey/blue Honda

PTA Events & Dates

PTA March Meeting

You are all invited and welcome to join our next meeting on **Thursday 10th March, 8pm** at the Chequers pub, Loose village. Come to listen, find out more, chip in or add ideas etc. We would love to see you there.

Spring Raffle

Thank you so much to the offers and donations we have received many from local business and parents from school. We have some great prizes lined up so look out for an email soon on how to purchase tickets. Prizes include personalised gifts, paintings, hand made crafts, a mini fish tank, an over night stay, chocolate bouquet, photo shoots, manicures, hampers and lots more!

Amazon Smile

We have had an Amazon Smile donation of a whopping £89.48! This represents purchases for October, November and December made by our 64 supporters. If only we had 200 supporters....

Loose Primary School Running Club

Community run next date - Sunday 27th February 2022, £1 to join in, 5km distance but can go longer or shorter! All abilities welcome. Meet at the Anglesey Avenue bus stop, 8am or outside school 9am for a slightly later start!

Late Summer Festival

Save the Date - Saturday 17th September 2022



Community News

Kent Adult Education have designed free family courses for children and carers to share their learning experience in an exciting interactive learning environment. Find out more by visiting the Kent Adult Education website below loom.ly/UuZ_Qdg

The Heroes Academy Holiday Club (All Saints' Loose) is open for bookings. On Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th April, 9.30am-3pm, we are calling all Heroes in years R to 6 to come and join in a massive amount of fun with craft, games, competitions, challenges and songs as we find out who the greatest Superhero of all time is. Places are limited so book now. To secure your place please complete the [Online Heroes Academy Registration Form Click Here](#). Any further queries please email michelle.wright@allsaintsloose.org.uk

R. B. Youth Football Development have launched their new site in Maidstone at the YMCA on Cripple Street. They are running bespoke F.A. youth football training for primary and secondary school students ages 6-14yrs on Saturday mornings. They welcome beginner to elite level players, including players who are in official teams, and provide bespoke training and development. They are offering parents of Loose school a free taster session for their child and a further 35% off if they sign

their child up for regular training sessions thereafter. If you are interested, you can contact them on 07518 593 598 or hello@rbfootballdevelopment.co.uk.'

Contact Us

brook@loose-primary.kent.sch.uk - this is for parents to contact teachers re work/passwords & every day matters etc in KS1 (Year R, 1 & 2)

orchard@loose-primary.kent.sch.uk - this is for parents to contact teachers re work/passwords & every day matters etc in KS2 (Years 3 - 6)

lasc.asc@loose-primary.kent.sch.uk - please use this email address for **ALL** extended services bookings/queries/requests etc. Please do not email the office with these.

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