

LCPS Weekly Newsletter

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Summer : Issue #8

12th June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a brilliant week in school—there's been numerous opportunities for enrichment. I loved seeing the children performing in the Music Evening on Thursday evening as well as welcoming the ITV This Morning team to school today to film some of our superstars (pupils and parents!)

Nursery: This week in Nursery, the children have listened to the wonderful story of *The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch*. We had a fantastic time discussing all the clever plans Mr. Grinling and his wife came up with to stop the cheeky seagulls from stealing his lunch! Inspired by the book, the children built their own spectacular lighthouses and had a wonderful time playing the memory game, "I went to the seaside and I took..."

Reception: were thoroughly engaged this week in Specs for Uganda. The children produced some wonderful glasses to wear and learnt so much from Will who came into present a special assembly about how he makes glasses for famous actors such as Harrison Ford and for films like Harry Potter. We had some good discussions about housing and schools in contrasting areas to Little Chalfont.

Year 1: This week Year 1 have worked incredibly hard in Phonics, consolidating their knowledge of phase 3 and 5 sounds within words. We have also been finding our signing voices in music, exploring echoes and repeating patterns within some lyrics. In computing we learnt how to create capital letters and the children had a go at typing their names using keyboards to practice. In writing this week the children have enjoyed comparing our Mammoth character using a range of interesting adjectives as well as spotting lots of bossy verbs within our instruction story. To round the week off the children learnt about calligraphy as an art of writing and we put our creative hats on to create our own letters using their own fonts and styles. Another super week of learning Year 1 Well Done!

Year 2: It has been a fantastic week in Year Two as the children enthusiastically kicked off their brand-new maths unit on statistics, eagerly turning into mini data detectives. The excitement continued during Cultural Awareness Day, where they loved exploring different world languages and trying their hand at the beautiful, intricate art of calligraphy. It was wonderful to see the children blend logical thinking with global creativity, rounding off a truly vibrant and successful week of learning!

Year 3: It has been another busy week in Year 3! In English, the children practised and performed sections of a play script, working brilliantly in groups and giving thoughtful feedback to one another. We have been exploring different kinds of angles and lines in our geometry unit and looking at light and reflection in Science. During Computing, the class researched their assigned World Cup country and created informative fact files to share their findings. In PE, we began our athletics unit, with children practising throwing techniques and sprint starts. The week was rounded off with an enjoyable Cultural Awareness Day, where pupils learned about the art of calligraphy and had the opportunity to develop their own skills.

Well done, Year 3, for another fantastic week of learning!

Year 4: This week, pupils completed their Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) exam. In the lead-up to the test, they practised relentlessly and showed great determination and perseverance. Well done, Year 4! I know how hard they have worked throughout the year to improve their multiplication knowledge and fluency. On Friday, pupils completed their final Cultural Awareness Day of the year, focusing on the art of writing, specifically calligraphy. Pupils carefully practised each letter of the alphabet using paint in the style of calligraphy, taking their time to develop their skills. They then created their own unique calligraphy fonts. It was a calm, creative lesson and a wonderful way to end such a busy week.

Year 5: Have completed the topic of 'Decimals' in maths, building on their prior learning from the Spring term. Year 5 performed really well on their end of unit test and should be very proud of their continued resilience and progress. In Geography, we explored the tectonic processes of subduction and fold mountains, both of which occurred to create the Andes mountain range. Year 5 were very focused and engaged, asking questions to deepen their understanding. A great week for Year 5!

Year 6: This week in PE, Year 6 have been developing their cricket skills. The children focused on playing a variety of shots to direct the ball into different areas of the field and find spaces to score runs. They also worked on their fielding, learning how to cooperate effectively as a team to cover the playing area and make it more challenging for the batter to score. It has been fantastic to see pupils demonstrating teamwork, communication and tactical thinking while applying their cricket skills in game situations.

Looking Ahead...

[Click here for the full calendar.](#)

- 12th June Class photos
- 16th June Whole-school photo!
- 17th June Year 4 Cake Sale
- 16-17th June—Yr 6 production
- 19th June Yr 3 parent open morning—Edible Garden
- 22nd June Assessment Week (in school event)
- 24th June Year 3 cake sale
- 26th June Sports Day
- 26th June Yr 6 Leavers Disco 6-8pm
- 30th June Yr 3 trip—Chiltern Open Air Museum
- 30th June French Café—in school
- 1st July Year 2 cake sale
- 3rd July Yr 2 London Eye Trip
- 3rd July Yr 4 parent open morning—Edible Garden
- 7th July Yr 6 Transition Day
- 15th July 3.30-5.30pm "Walkabout Evening" - meet the teacher!

To do this week ...

- 16th June whole School photo
- 17th June Yr 4 Cake Sale
- 16th-17th June Yr 6 production "Mary Poppins."

Premier Education update:

Please [click here](#) for the weekly announcement from Premier Education.

Premier also run local holiday clubs—further info can be found by following [this link](#).

Do you have concerns about a child?

LCPS SAFEGUARDING TEAM



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If the team are unavailable, contact First Response on 01296 38962
If your concern involves a DSL, contact Chair of Governors, Simon Barrett or the Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO) on 01296 382070
In danger is imminent, contact the police on 101 (999 for an emergency)



No mobile phones

No photography

Please keep phones out of sight whilst on school property



Hot Chocolate with the Head: Well done to Dhruv (Rec), Abheer (Yr 1), Divvya (Yr 2), Charlotte (Yr 3), Isabelle (Yr 4), Pia (Yr 5) and Taanvi (Yr 6) who were recognised in Celebration Assembly this week for going above and beyond in displaying our school values this week.



Weekly Winners

Year 3	90%
Year R	78%
Year 1	73%
Year 2	72%
Year 4	70%
Year 5	67%
Year 6	62%

Travel tracker: It's been an excellent week for active journeys this week. Well done **Year 3** for topping the leader board this week with an impressive **90%** of active journeys. An active journey can be walk, scoot, cycle or park and stride. Active journeys set your child up for a productive and focused day.

In addition, we are (still) topping the Buckinghamshire leader board—a great achievement from our families

Attendance Last Week:

12th June

Year 3	99.4%
Year 5	99.2%
Year 1	98.5%
Year 4	98.3%
Year 6	98.3%
Year 2	98.2%
Year R	86.4%

Whole School: 97.1%

Attendance: Well done to **Year 3** for achieving the best attendance this week with an excellent 99.4%. **Let's try and keep up these impressive figures all term if we can!** Strong attendance is a legal requirement as well as crucial to obtain strong academic and social progress. Thank you to all our families for their assistance in this important matter this week.

Dojo Points

(house points are awarded at the end of each half term: 1st = 5, 2nd = 3, 3rd = 2, 4th = 1)

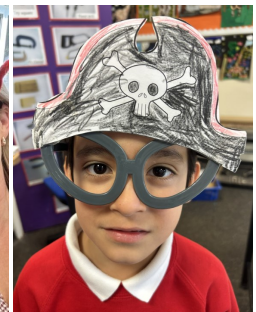
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1st= Burton 9 pts	3rd= Loudham 6 pts	1st= Bendrose 9 pts	4th Coleman 3 pts

ITV This Morning: Today we welcomed ITV this morning into school to film a feature on Smartphone Free Childhood. A number of children from Years 5 and 6 were interviewed by Lauren Cowell, alongside myself and a few parents. The children and parents performed admirably really reflecting the journey we have been on as a community. The production team couldn't fail to be impressed by the significant impact this has had on our children and families which has ultimately reduced the amount of safeguarding incidents I have had to deal with and keep your children safer. If you haven't yet signed the pledge, we would encourage you to do so.

Further information about this parent-led movement can be [found by clicking here.](#)



Specs for Uganda: On Tuesday, we held our annual fundraising "Specs for Uganda" day aimed at raising funds to purchase disadvantaged children in Uganda glasses that they would not have been able to have without the support. As you can see below, some excellent creations from our wonderful children! Further information about this excellent cause [can be found here.](#)



Music Evening: This Thursday, we had a Music extravaganza evening with a multitude of children performing a range of instruments. Like I said to parents at the event, there is something about children performing live music that replenishes the soul! Well done to all the pupils who performed—we loved it!



Edible Garden update (sponsored by our partners above): Abundance time in the garden - we are almost at the height of the growing year and so much life in the garden.

Year 4 came out early in the week, shower dodging to plant out their enormous sweetcorn...and some very funky "Fiesta" multi coloured popcorn plants, in 9x9 grids so they can be pollinated by the wind as they grow. All being well we'll have some colourful cobs by the end of the summer! Alongside and underneath to shade the soil and crop alongside the corn, (in the manner of the "Three Sisters" planting used by the Native Americans to grow the components for "succotash", a topic they covered earlier this year) the children planted out their yellow "Soileil" courgettes in one bed (a heavy cropper and LCPS Edible Garden favourite variety) and green "Romanesco" courgettes in the other bed - so a little competition going on! And they grew ALL of these plants from seed - can you believe it?! Well done our green fingered kids!

We loved showing Year 2 parents and carers around this morning in the fourth of our class walkabouts and it was wonderful to share with you all what joy and learning opportunities it brings to children and adults alike. Thank you for supporting all our growing efforts and please do get and stay involved in any way you can, big or small - and thank you for the incredibly generous offer of £250 garden funding from one family! We are ever grateful for such contributions to keep it all running, these enrichment opportunities are not covered by school funding and can only continue with support and fundraising. A reminder that we have a dedicated Edible Garden WhatsApp group within the LCPS community Whatsapp, for all things outdoorsy and sustainability related - please do join!



Grateful and undaunted,
Mr Hacking