



LORENDEN

Newsletter

Friday 24th May 2019

Thank you to Year 4 for an engaging assembly this week capturing the essence of Treasure Island and with interesting information about its author too. The costumes were delightful and the sense of team spirit was very strong, although perhaps the pirates were just too kind?!

Year 3 residential trip



Year 3 have had a lovely at their residential at Rippledown this week and despite a few 'are we nearly there yet' on the beautiful walk from St Margaret's Bay to the accommodation (some 6 miles).

A full write up will be in next week's newsletter - but here are a few photos for now.



Year 5 residential trip

Year 5 had an amazing time on their residential. You can read Skye's recount [HERE](#)



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Achievement Awards

Well done to all our Award winners this half term.

(Year 3 certificates will be awarded in assembly on Friday 7th June as they were on their residential trip this week.)

Year 1	Harris	PE	Year 4	Liam	Games
Year 1	Isabelle	Head's Prize	Year 4	Nuala	Head's Prize
Year 1	Joseph	French	Year 4	Scarlett	Games
Year 1	Zachery	Art	Year 4	Thomas B	Art
Year 1	Zachery	Spirit of Lorenden	Year 5	Lottie	Head's Prize
Year 2	Harris	Head's Prize	Year 5	Oscar	Art
Year 2	Henry J	Music	Year 5	Skye	Games
Year 2	Xavier	Art	Year 6	Camille	French
Year 3	Charlotte	Art	Year 6	Gwen	Art
Year 3	Daniel	Head's Prize	Year 6	Hazel	Music
			Year 6	Lauren	Spanish
			Year 6	Sebastian	Head's Prize

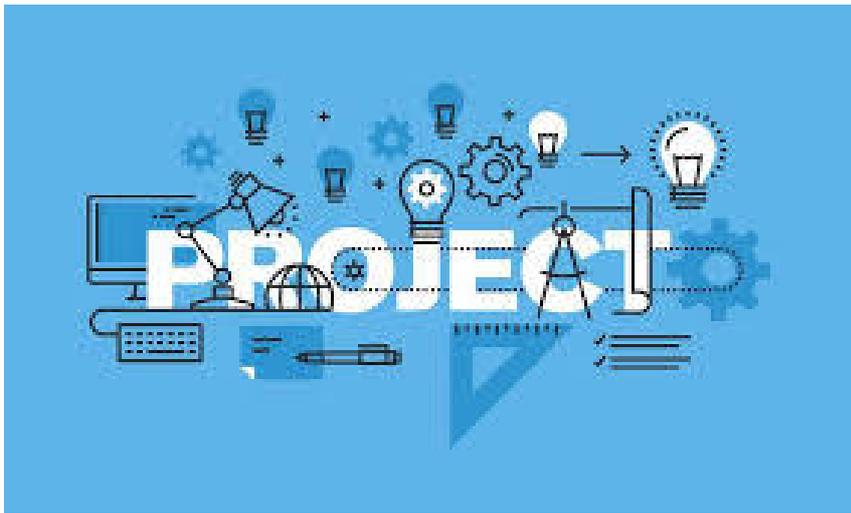


We had some little visitors in school this week....

Many thanks to Hayley and her husband for bringing in four adorable orphan lambs on Tuesday. Everyone had a chance to stroke them and each class were able to try feeding them from a bottle too.



Year 6 individual projects



We have had our fingers crossed for Year 6 today as they have presented their independent projects to an external adjudicator. An impressive list of titles from the class:

Flora	From literature to cinema; how does film adaptation affect the viewer?
Bertie	Is 'Youtubing' a viable profession? (A study of how UK gamers promote themselves)
Eva	Should the RNLI become our fourth emergency service?
Liam	How does music affect health?
Oscar	How is plastic pollution affecting our reefs and what can be done to prevent further damage?
Raphael	How does the modern era of golf compare to the early game?
Dolly	How has the human race determined animal extinction?
Sebastian	How has electronic technology affected our lives?
Hazel	How has climate change affected elephants?
Lauren	How have the arts influenced society?
Camille	How does winning the lottery affect your life?
William	How will the introduction of electric cars effect the world?
Gwen	Should we really leave the EU? (Should we have left the EU?)
Rosie	How has the game of field hockey evolved?



The Friends of Lorenden is the school's charity organisation. We aim to enhance the children's experience and to provide a warm welcome to all. Our ethos **is inclusive, democratic and sociable**. We actively encourage participation, new ideas and contributions from anyone associated with the school. You are welcome to pop to a meeting, send a brief email or having an informal chat with your class representative.

Our activities range from raising funds for projects to running the weekly cake sale, organising social events (including the summer & Christmas fairs, and various social evenings) and second hand school uniform sales. You can stay in touch with upcoming events via the Friends of Lorenden Facebook page, and get a 'behind the scenes' glimpse into school goings-on on the school's Twitter.

We completely rely on the support of parents - you can volunteer to do as much or as little as you like. Really, any help is greatly appreciated. It's a great way to meet people, learn more about the school and help make our children's experience of school life as rewarding and as much fun as possible.

Thanks and best wishes from the Friends of Lorenden!

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE FRIENDS

Funds raised by the Friends of Lorenden is donated to the school to support the extra, 'nice to have' items that enhance the children's experience at school.

In the past few years parents' generosity has enabled the Friends to fund:

- Playground equipment - £8k
- The purchase of new library books - £2k
- Chromebook computers, providing much-needed updates to the school's IT equipment - £3k
- Most recently the new Minibus - £15k

The Committee of the Friends of Lorenden runs the charity and organises the main fund raising events. Members are voted in annually and the usual posts are: Chairperson, Co-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and one or two parents representing each class.

Class Reps (who are also committee members) take the lead on communication to parents, may choose to organise social events for the class, organise the class teachers' end-of-year gifts and the termly cake sale. Thanks to WhatsApp & email, this isn't an onerous task, and is a great way to get to know your fellow parents better.

If you would like to volunteer as Class Rep or a Committee member for next school year, please contact the school office or a member of FOL.

The **Voting process** for Class rep and /or Committee member is that each class will be asked to nominate volunteers and vote for them (via a democratic process if appropriate).

The more helpers come forward the less each of us has to do to make it all work!

Occasional helpers who are able to lend a hand for specific events or purposes are very much appreciated. For example, a team of parents gave up a few hours one morning recently to clear up the garden behind the Kindergarten area. Thanks to them, it's now a safe and relaxing outdoor learning space for the younger children.

We really need your help to continue to carry out these valuable projects. Please consider giving an hour or two of your time to an upcoming event, or volunteer on a more regular basis.

Notice is hereby given of the Friends of Lorenden
Annual General Meeting
to be held on **Friday 28th of June at 8.30am**

All parents at the school, teachers and non-teaching staff currently employed by the school are welcome to attend. The FOL always welcomes new members who may have new and refreshing fundraising ideas.

The purpose of the meeting is to:

- 1) Receive the report of the committee members on the FOL's activities since the previous AGM.
- 2) Receive the latest accounts.
- 3) Elect the committee members, Chair, Treasurer and Secretary to hold office until the next AGM.

THE CRISP PACKET RECYCLING SCHEME

ACCEPTED WASTE



Any brand of crisp packets

Waste that is NOT accepted:

- Popcorn bags
- Crisp tubes
- Pretzel bags
- Meat snack bags

Waste that is accepted:

- Any brand of crisp packets



Message from Henry, Year 3

On average, every person in Britain eats 150 packets of crisps a year. There are 66 million people who live in Britain and so that's nine billion nine hundred million packets of crisps a year!

The empty crisp packets cannot be widely recycled and so end up in the rubbish. To help save the waste, a new crisp packet recycling centre is being made, and I am collecting empty crisp packets to send there.

For every 2kg of packets sent to them, they will also donate £2 to the Friends of Lorenden. This is not an easy task to take on alone. 2kg is around 2,500 packets. I know that as a school, if we save all our used crisp packets together and the outer multipack packets, we not only raise money for the school, but also do our bit for the war on plastic.

I will put some boxes around the school for you to place the empty packets and I hope that you will also consider asking your families to also help out at home.

You can find out more information [HERE](#)

An invitation from Mr Jewsbury - our guitar teacher

I shall be on tour with the Eve Selis Band from 4th July to 21st July. Our last show is at the Dancing Dog Saloon in Bobbing, Sittingbourne.

If anybody would like to come along, here is the link to Eve's website for ticket purchase.

<https://www.eveselis.com/tour>



Eve is an award winning Nashville recording artist who works on the international stage delivering her own brand of Americana music to wide acclaim.

I met Eve, from San Diego California, on her first UK tour some years back. I became firm friends with all the band and have opened a few shows for them in the past. Having now landed the job as one of the band for this tour it would be fantastic to see familiar faces attend the show.



Click [HERE](#) for the link to sport reports and our other News stories

DIARY

JUNE

Tuesday 4th Year 5 to Brogdale Farm for cooking workshop

Wednesday 5th U11 boys' cricket V Ashford Prep HOME
U11 girls' cricket V Ashford Prep AWAY

Thursday 6th Reception & Year 2 trip to Leeds Castle
8:40am Year 1 Class Assembly for parents
U9 boys' cricket V Spring Grove HOME
U9 girls' kwik cricket V Spring Grove HOME
2pm New Parents' Tea
3pm FOL 2nd hand uniform sale

Friday 7th Year 3 Viking Day in school
2pm Nursery "Stay & Play"
2.45pm Afternoon Tea for parents

AND
finally

Don't forget the environmental challenge that is set at the moment - due in after half term! Have a lovely half term!

Mrs Uttley