



LORENDEN

Newsletter



Newsletter 11 - Friday 3 December 2021

From the Head:

How can we all make a difference? That was the main message of Monday morning's assembly, as I shared a story with the children of a young man who saved a small number of starfish from a huge beach. The children understood the idea that, whether we are caring for the environment, keeping our school tidy or being kind to another person, each one of us can make a small difference that makes a large overall impact.

One difference that Year 6 made today is the collection of a Christmas tree, as part of the Christmas Trees for Charity initiative in Faversham. This was a free donation to school for the advent period, before being replanted in the new year. Look out for updates from our Charity Monitors on how our involvement in this project is with the aim of a donation being made to the nominated charity of Ospringe parish.

Our staff may currently be wearing masks in communal areas but there are still lots of smiles around school as we prepare for various upcoming Christmas events and activities. The Friends of Lorenden are working tirelessly to prepare for next week's Christmas Fair - we are so lucky to have such strong support and are excited to have so many community events to look forward to.



You may have noticed a new face in school this week. I would like to welcome Mr Lane to our staff. Mr Lane will be driving the School Mini-bus and working with Mr Bird around the school with various Site management jobs. I am sure he will soon become a familiar face to you all.



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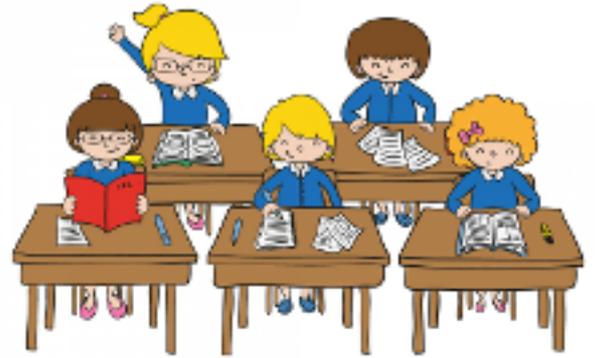


Nursery

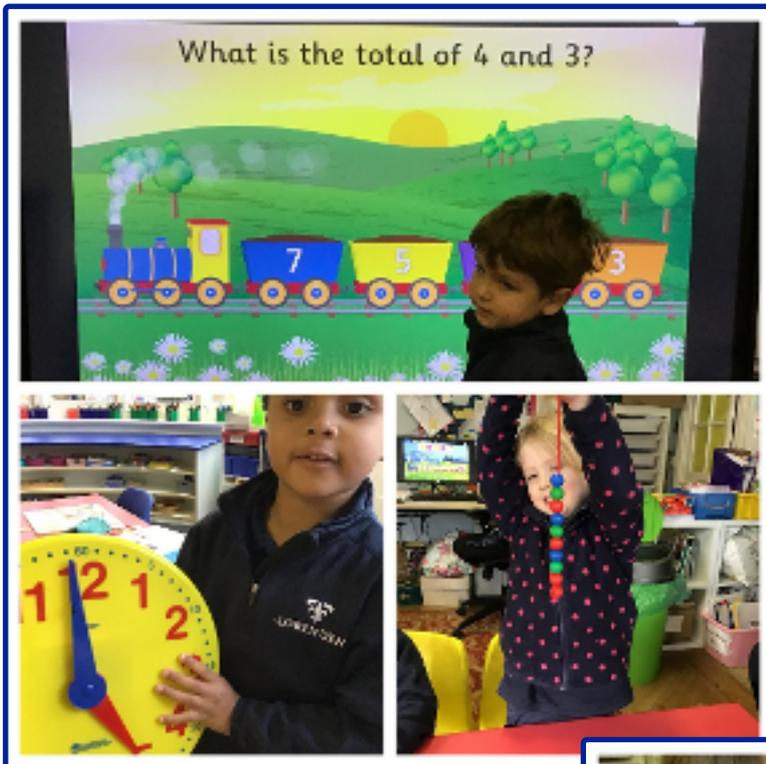
We are always so busy in Nursery and here you can see some of the fun activities the children have enjoyed in the classroom. They regularly participate in teacher-directed craft and games but they also have lots of time to socialise, explore and learn independently as they choose their own activities from the shelves. What busy bees!



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Reception



Reception children have had a very busy and varied week as these photos show. Not only have they been working hard rehearsing for their Nativity play next week but have also been involved in lots of learning, fun and outdoor activities. Well done children!



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Year 1



Year 1 have been learning about old toys. Last week, they brought some of their favourite teddies into school and described them in their writing lesson.



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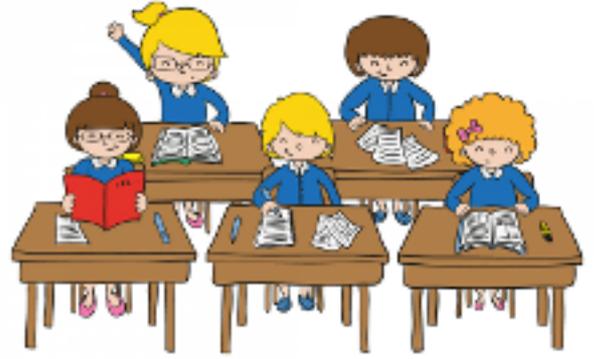


Year 3



Year 3 made these fabulous skeletons. They assembled them, like a jigsaw and then labelled them using scientific names.

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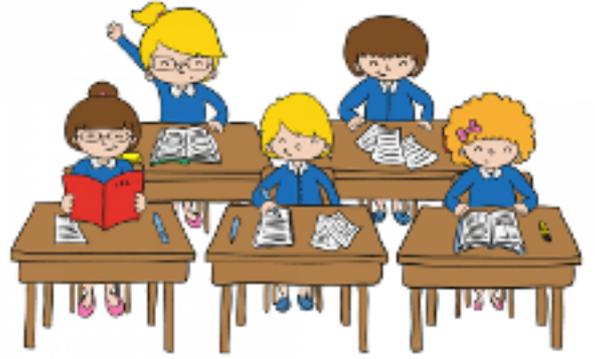


Year 5



In science, Year 5 worked out how to make plasticine floats and which shapes would fall the fastest and slowest through a column of water.

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Year 6



This morning Year 6 took a break from their studies to go and choose a Christmas tree for the school.

Charity monitors will be delivering more information in Tuesday's assembly but the idea of having the Christmas tree is that we raise money. Half of which will return to the school and the other half will be divided by various charities that the local parish of Ospringe support.

Charity monitors will be collecting spare change from adults on a Tuesday and Thursday afternoon. They will also be organising an event which will shortly be announced.

Hockey



Hockey Reports

On Wednesday 1st December, the Lorenden A Team played against St Edmunds, away. Our last hockey match at Lorenden! We started with a very positive and determined Team. The play was very evenly matched all the way through the game, with a lot of midfield play. Both teams played really well, with some amazing efforts on goal by Evie, River and Maiya, with Evie sticking at it and scoring a well executed goal following a brilliant pass by Maiya in the first half.

Annabel and Faith defended brilliantly, working together with Libby in midfield. Victory Lorenden!!! Final score 1-0 to LORENDEN !! Amazing Game Team. By Paige

On Wednesday 1 December Lorenden B team played its last match of the season against St Edmund's. We played very well with a strong effort from all players. Despite our efforts St Ed's won 2-0. Player of the match was Jasmine for her great saves as Goalie.



Football



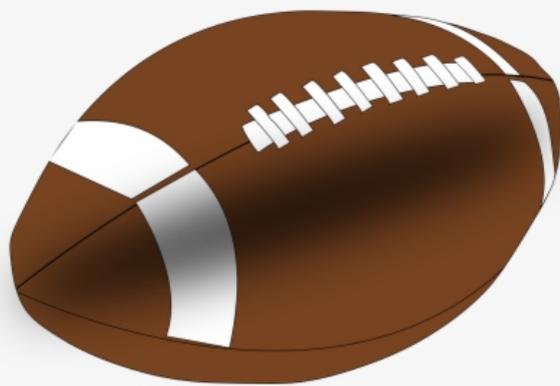
Football Reports

On Tuesday 30 November, the U11 boys played inter-house football. Amazons started strong on the ball and Swallows were great at defending. James set up the first goal which I scored off the post and a few minutes after we scored again. In the second half Rufus thought he scored but it was disallowed - final score 2-0 to Amazons. Everyone played really well and well done for a great season! by Henry G

On Wednesday 1st December, Year 3&4 Swallows played Amazons in our inter-house football match. I took the corner and Zach scored a goal. Unfortunately Swallows scored a home goal which meant the the final score was 1-1. Well done Swallows and Amazons. Player of the match was Selwyn. Well Done everyone! by Toby O



Rugby



Rugby Training for Year 5&6 Boys - Wednesday 8th December

On Wednesday the 8th December the year 5&6 boys have a fantastic opportunity to go to St Lawrence School to have a development session led by Mr Harvey and the St Lawrence Coach. This is because with the way everything has been in the last couple of years we understand everyone will be quite new to the game of rugby, especially if they do not play outside of school. All of the boys will be mixed up and look at the fundamental skills needed in the rugby season ahead.

All boys will need the correct equipment including: Mouthguard, boots, striped top, long socks, shorts and their lorenden long sleeve top. If they do not have this kit it will not be safe for them to participate so they will not be able to join in if they do not have the correct equipment.

Twickenham Mini Rugby Festival

On Saturday I went to Twickenham Stadium and played 2 matches for Canterbury rugby club.

After the matches I got a MEDAL which is gold and says England Rugby Twickenham Minis Festival .

I am very excited about it. I got to watch the professional ladies play a full match.

It was the Barbarians women VS Springbok women 60-5 to Barbarians, it was a great game.

Eleni F



Christmas Fair



The Friends of Lorenden Christmas Fair

Friday 10th December at 3.00pm

Next Friday, 10th December, it is our Christmas Fair, and the children are getting very excited.. Thank you very much for all donations received so far. We are still in need of more lucky dip prizes, individual wrapped sweets (for game prizes) and party bag gifts. Please leave any donations in the uniform box by the gate by Monday 6th December. We would also like home made cakes ... but brought in on the day please!!

The fair will start at 3:00pm for early years and run through to 5:00pm for all children and families. There will be lots of fun to be had.



Raffle tickets are on sale at the gate before and after school, £5 per strip. Amazing hampers to win.

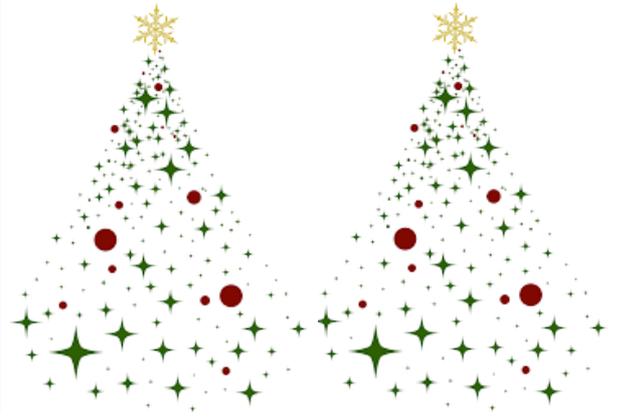
The Lorenden tea towels and tote bags are selling fast so please send in your order form as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

The children are excited to have spotted the Friends of Lorenden Post box, expertly created by Gemma Berryman, in the main hallway. Children can post their Christmas cards and Year 6 will deliver them each day. Please include the year group of the recipient on the envelope.





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Nursery and Reception

Nativity Play on Wednesday 8
December in the Hall.

Coffee and Tea will be served in the
Hall from 8.30am.

We look forward to welcoming you



Year 1 and Year 2

Nativity Play on Wednesday 15
December at Ospringe Church at
10.30am

We have capacity for 2 guests per child.

We look forward to seeing you there



Friends of Lorenden Christmas Fair

Friday 10 December

3.00pm - 5.00pm

Cakes

Hampers

Mulled Wine

Stalls

Mince Pies

Crafts

Gifts

Home

Produce

Prep School Carol Service - Ospringe Church

Friday 17 December at 1.30pm

We are so looking forward to our Carol
Service this year with our Prep School
and parents.

We have the capacity for 2 guests per
child.

Children can be taken home at the end
of the Service





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Forthcoming Events

Wednesday 8 December Nursery and Reception Nativity Play - 9.30am in the Hall

Thursday 9 December Whole School Pantomime

Friday 10 December Friends of Lorenden Christmas Fair

Wednesday 15 December Yr 1 and Yr 2 - Nativity Play - 10.30am Ospringe Church

Thursday 16 December Christmas Jumper Day

Pupils Christmas Lunch

Carols Around the Tree - 3.30pm

Friday 17 December Carol Service - Ospringe Church - 1.30pm



I hope that all of our families have a wonderful weekend and I look forward to seeing many of you at the gate on Monday morning

Have a very restful weekend

Kind regards

Richard McIntosh