



NEWSLETTER

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	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
29 Jan - 2 Feb	Lunchtime Recorder Club* Library open after school Primary Sports Football Club 3:30—4:30pm	Breaktime Library open Lunchtime EYFS/ KS1 Multiskills Club* Lunchtime KS2 Chess Club*	Lunchtime Skylarks/ Kingfishers Fitness Club*		
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*Children can sign up for Lunchtime Clubs at school. Primary Sports Football Club can be booked here: [Football Club](#)

Dates for your Diary

30 January

1 February

7 February

8-9 February

9 February

10-18 February

19 February

1 March

6 March

7 March

8 March

20 March

1:30pm Years 5/6 Netball at CPS for selected pupils

3:30pm Kingfishers Residential Trip parent/carer meeting at school

Bags2School bag collection

Kingfishers Residential Trip

LAST DAY OF TERM

Skylarks Great Fire of London Day

HALF TERM

CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL

Year 6 Secondary School Allocation Day

Skylarks trip to Exmoor Zoo

World Book Day

9:15am Robins Mother's Day Assembly

Robins trip to Woolley Animals Walking and Farm

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We have nearly reached the end of January and are almost halfway through the school year. The weeks really do seem to be moving quickly and the last one was full of excellent learning opportunities in all the classes.

KS1 Multiskills Festival



Last week, 5 children from Years 1 and 2 travelled to Haywards Primary School in Crediton, to take part in the latest sports event organised by Primary Sports. This was the first opportunity our KS1 children have had to represent the school and they were truly excellent. They listened carefully to the coach and joined in with each activity, pushing themselves to jump quicker, throw harder or run faster, even when they were tired and worn out! At the end of the Festival the children played a game to test their reactions and Oliver B beat every child from every school to be crowned 'reaction champion'! We were very proud.



Library

Children may have noticed that we are working on giving the library area a revamp. As well as painting the shelves and rearranging the furniture, we are also auditing all our books to ensure they are all high quality texts. Following recent staff training, we are working to make the library a more appealing environment and we hope that this will also increase children's enthusiasm to visit the library and choose books to read for pleasure. Please remember, the library is open for parents/carers and children to visit after school each Monday.

Musician of the Month

Each month we listen to a different musician on our way in and out of assemblies. Recently our artists have included David Bowie, Nina Simone and Elton John and the children have enjoyed finding out more about the various styles of music.

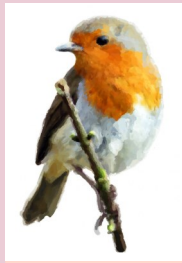


January's musician of the month has been Florence Price, who was a ground-breaking African-American composer and pianist. The children have really enjoyed listening to her compositions and have been beginning to pick out different orchestral instruments as they listen. Listen to her music here:

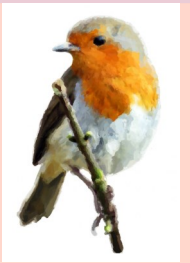


Have a wonderful week.

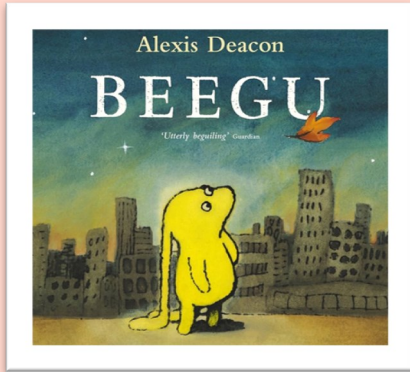
Mrs Wright



Robins Spotlight



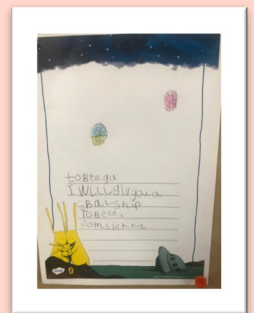
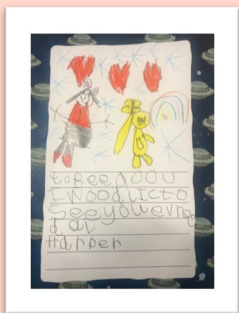
Our topic this term is Our Planet in Space, and the children have been incredibly enthused about this. We have learned about planet Earth, the moon, the sun and the solar system, and studied the moon landings.



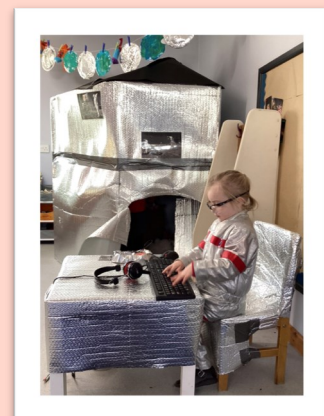
Our current class text is Beegu, a story about an alien who becomes lost on planet Earth. We were very surprised to find a flying saucer on our playground and quickly set to work to investigate this incident.



The children have been busy recording their theories of what may have happened and where the craft came from and writing letters to Beegu to encourage her to come out from her hiding place.



We have also enjoyed our new rocket role play, where our budding astronauts have been managing space missions every day! Why not ask your child what they have learned about Space? They are very eager to share all their interesting facts.



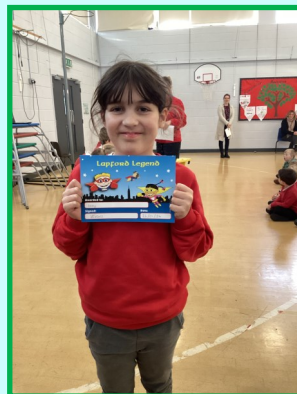
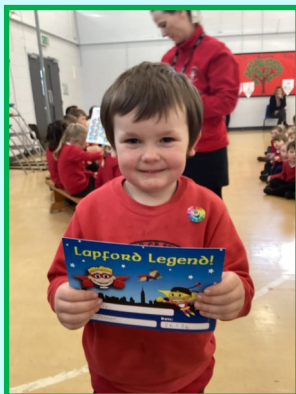
Stars of the Week - 26th January



Congratulations to Sienna, Grace and Casey-May!



Lapford Legends - 26th January



Congratulations to Francis, Izzy and Rose !

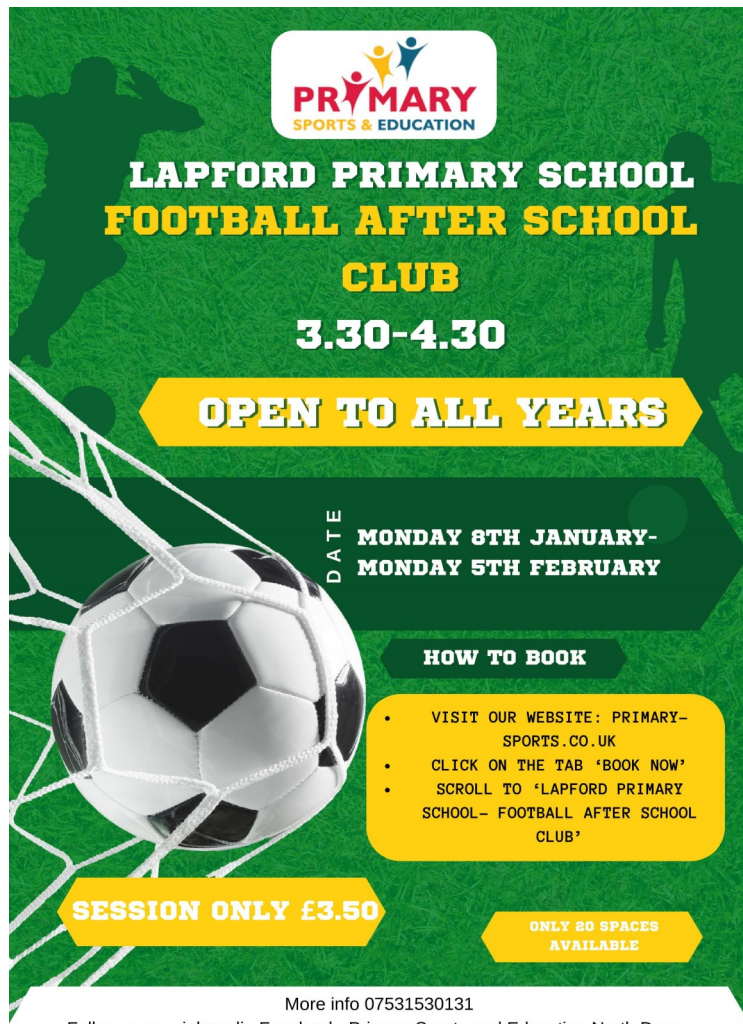


Through the Lens with Lily Loosemore



Lily in Herons Class kindly took photographs for our Through the Lens this half term. Lily managed to capture some great action shots of the children playing. We think that they show how wonderfully the mixed year groups play so well together!





PRIMARY
SPORTS & EDUCATION

**LAPFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL
FOOTBALL AFTER SCHOOL
CLUB**

3.30-4.30

OPEN TO ALL YEARS

DATE **MONDAY 8TH JANUARY-
MONDAY 5TH FEBRUARY**

HOW TO BOOK

- VISIT OUR WEBSITE: PRIMARY-SPORTS.CO.UK
- CLICK ON THE TAB 'BOOK NOW'
- SCROLL TO 'LAPFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL- FOOTBALL AFTER SCHOOL CLUB'

SESSION ONLY £3.50

ONLY 20 SPACES AVAILABLE

More info 07531530131
Follow our social media Facebook- Primary Sports and Education North Devon



DEVON CRICKET FOUNDATION

REGISTER HERE

**FREE
'COME AND TRY SESSIONS'**

CHULMLEIGH SPORTS CENTRE
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

NOW OPEN TO YEAR 1

SCHOOL YEARS 1, 2 & 3	10:00 - 11:30
SCHOOL YEARS 4, 5 & 6	11:30 - 13:00

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT MARTIN BRICE
MARTIN.BRICE@DEVONCRICKET.CO.UK | 07939 015663



Opal Update



GOLD AWARD

We have three Gold Award winners this week and they are all from our Kingfisher Class.

Reece, Billy and Charlie took it upon themselves to tidy and organise our Badgers Seek play area and the whole school is able to benefit from their hard work.

We are planning on moving our ping pong table to our sheltered area for the children to use during playtimes.

Now that our play equipment is organised, we are able to do this - thank you boys!



WORLD BOOK DAY®

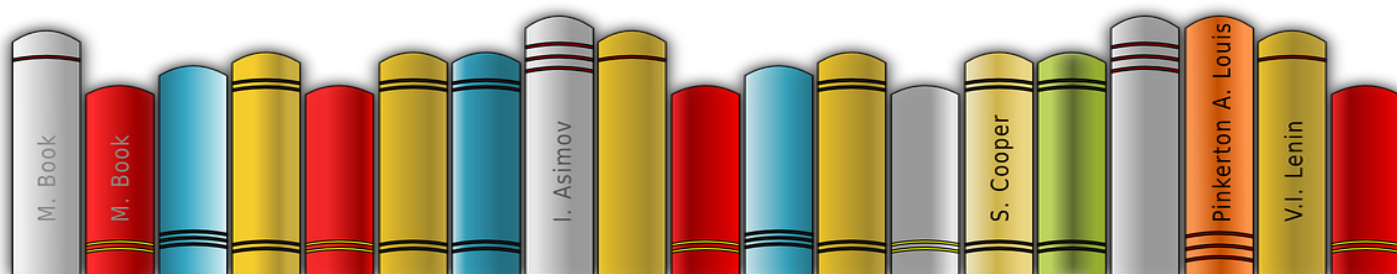
7 MARCH 2024

World Book Day is nearly here!

In preparation for Thursday 7th March, there are many resources going live to encourage children to read. The World Book Day organisation have released some free audiobooks that can be accessed online via <https://www.worldbookday.com/world-of-stories/>.

They group their audiobooks accordingly: Beginner Reader, Early Reader, Fluent Reader & Independent Reader and provide a range of fiction and non-fiction titles. Some examples include: '5 Minute Sleepy Stories', 'Maggie Sparks & The Monster Baby', 'Meet the Ancient Egyptians', 'The Solar System', 'Danny Chung Does Not Do Maths' and many more.

Why not introduce them to your child at bedtime, whilst driving or when cooking dinner to get them listening and loving more books?



LAPFORD PRESENTS 10

BINGO NIGHT

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**IN AID OF
FRIENDS OF LAPFORD SCHOOL**

SATURDAY, MARCH 16TH

DOORS OPEN 6.30 P.M.
EYES DOWN 7.30 P.M.

LAPFORD VICTORY HALL

Donations of raffle prizes welcome
and can be dropped to the
school reception or contact
Stacey on 07891 556884

LICENSED BAR
RAFFLE AND
GREAT PRIZES

 **BAG 2
SCHOOL**



**Our next Bag2School collection
has been arranged for**

Wednesday 7th February 2024

Drop off to Stacey at school or home by the above date

**Any questions – please ask your school
collection organiser** Stacey on 07891556884



**YOUR
SCHOOL
LOTTERY**

1

JOIN OUR LOTTERY



2

BOOST SCHOOL FUNDS



3

WIN CASH PRIZES



It's As Easy As



- Join our weekly lottery from just £1 a week
- It's an easy way to support our school and help raise funds
- 40% of ticket sales go straight to our school funds
- There's a guaranteed winner every week as well as the chance to win £25,000

[**Click Here to Buy A Ticket**](#)

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older.

CHULMLEIGH ACADEMY TRUST

School Terms and Holiday Dates - 2023/2024 Academic Year

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01 April 2024 (Easter Monday)
06 May 2024 (May Day)
27 May 2024 (Spring Bank Holiday)
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Non-Pupil Days

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