

LODERS CE VC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

Thank you for all those parents who completed our questionnaire. We were delighted with the results which were overwhelmingly positive. The children have also completed their own version and both sets of results will be available to view after half term. We know that Loders is a very good school but the questionnaires will help us to make our school even better!

Start of school – before the start of school, Mrs Spiller was employed to supervise bus children. As we no longer use the school bus, the gate will be opened at 8:40 am which has always been our official opening time; children should not be on school premises before then.

Flowerpot appeal – please every child bring in one small flower pot. The children will be decorating their pots and planting something lovely in them to beautify the additional playground space!

We are having an 'Emergency Services Week' directly after half term. We will be welcoming visitors from the Fire Service, the RNLI, the Police and hopefully the Ambulance Service. Children in Y5 and 6 are visiting 'Firewise' on Tuesday 12 June. Y6 children are taking part in a 'Save a Life Workshop' on the Friday; they will be learning the basics of CPR.

Later in the summer term, we are having a 'Forest School Week'. There will be a number of outdoor learning opportunities for the children to take part in. We will need parents to help with this particular week and details will follow.

We are delighted to welcome Mark Walsh to the school staff. He will be joining us as a teacher in September for the 12/13 academic year and will be job sharing the Jackdaws Class with Sarah Sutton.

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

Netball team – runners-up in the West Dorset Netball Tournament at Sir John Colfox School on 13 March. Many thanks to Anna Willmore for coaching the team to a high level.

8 children took part in Orienteering at Moreton on 17 March. Marcus & Olivia came 3rd on the White course.

Tag Rugby – we entered two teams (17 children in all) in the Tag Rugby Festival at Bridport Leisure Centre on 24 March. The A team were group runners-up, winning 3 of their 4 games. Thank you to Mal Seward and David Herbert for their training sessions.

Badminton – 4 Badminton Club players took part in a county tournament at Bournemouth on 4 April. In their age group, Rhiannon was runner-up in the girls singles, India & Olivia won the girls doubles and Marcus won the boys singles.

Ten children took part in the Dorset Schools Orienteering Championships at Moors Valley on 11 May. Loders came second in the Primary and Middle Schools' group. Thaisen & Edward won the Y6 boys event and were 2nd out of 75 in the Primary & Middle Schools which included Y7 & Y8 students. Lauren & Daisy were 4th in Y5 girls and Marcus & Olivia came 5th in Y5 Boys.

Our cricket team took part in the West Dorset Kwik Cricket Competition at Bridport Leisure Centre on 23 May. We won our group, beating Beaminster, Symondsbury and Dorchester Middle schools; then we defeated Broadwindsor but lost to Greenford in the final match.

Dates for your diaries (please note all dates are on the school calendar via the website)

Emergency Services Week	12 – 15 June
Y1 Phonics Screening	Week beginning 18 June
Y5 Olympic Sports Festival afternoon	Monday 18 June
Cricket coaching mornings for Y4 – 6	Monday 18 June
Wrens visit to Tamarisk Farm	Monday 18 June
Y6 to Colfox	Friday 22 June
Loders Shuffle Up Days	Friday 22 June and Tuesday 26 June
New intake meeting in the Sedum Room	Tuesday 26 June
Y6 Puberty Talk with the School Nurse	Wednesday 27 June
Forest School Week	2 – 6 July
Cluster Sports	Friday 6 July
School Reports	Friday 6 July
Olympic Sports afternoon at BLC for Jackdaws and Robins	Monday 9 July
Sports Morning	12 July at 10:00
Y6 Leavers Party	Thursday 19 July
Leavers Assembly (details to follow)	20 July

Please note that the school is closed on 11 June for staff INSET.

Yours sincerely

Mike Kite and Shirley Gibbs