



Newsletter
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Together

Life at Lutley

Easter Celebrations

It has been wonderful to welcome the children back to school following the Easter Holiday.

On a bright and beautiful afternoon before the Easter Holiday, children in EYFS proudly paraded their wonderful Easter bonnets in the playground, each one a colourful masterpiece full of creativity and charm.

Families gathered to enjoy the spectacle, and the children treated everyone to performances of The Seed Song and Spring Chicken. A huge thank you to everyone who helped to prepare the bonnets and supported the event—it was a lovely celebration to end the Spring term.

Important Dates Coming Up

May 2025

Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th May – 5ZB Bikeability
Monday 12th May – Thursday 15th May – Year 6 SATS week

Tuesday 20th May – 6BR Parent Lunch – 11:30 – 12:10
Wednesday 21st May – 6EG Parent Lunch – 11:30 – 12:10
Thursday 22nd May – 6AO Parent Lunch – 11:30 – 12:10
Wednesday 21st May – ABC afternoon at Forest School
Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May – May Half Term Holidays

June

Wednesday 4th June – Friday 6th June – Year 6 Pioneer residential

Wednesday 4th June – 4GO Inspire workshop – 9:15am
Thursday 5th June – 4LH Inspire workshop – 9:15am
Friday 6th June – 4KM Inspire workshop – 9:15am
Monday 9th June – 3ES Father’s Day celebration at Forest School – 9:15am
Tuesday 10th June – 3EG Father’s Day celebration at Forest School – 9:15am
Wednesday 11th June – 3AC Father’s Day Forest School – 9:15am

Learning

Attendance

28th April – 2nd May

Class	%	Class	%	Class	%
RJG	97.42	RLS	95.17		
1KH	98.46	1NF	98.18	1SB	96.52
2TR	94.00	2LO	96.67	2HM	96.33
3EG	91.54	3AC	98.93	3ES	99.64
4GO	95.16	4KM	97.00	4LH	98.62
5LO	93.87	5ZB	95.86	5SM	96.67
6BR	92.50	6EG	89.31	6AO	92.58

Worker of the Week

2nd May 2025

Class	Name	Class	Name	Class	Name
RJG	Grayson W Toby J	RLS	Teddy H Josie W		
1KH	Jack C	1NF	Jessica M	1SB	Jeona J
2TR	Junior S	2HM	Novah C	2LO	
3EG	Arshia K	3AC	Francesca I	3ES	Emily M
4GO	Arjan S	4KM	Sam T	4LH	Luke B
5LO	Joseph S	5ZB	William B	5SM	Rowan K
6BR	Zeeshan M	6EG	Sam B	6AO	Amelia-Rose J



Learning

Year 3 Educational Visit to Kinver Edge

This week, children in Year 3 enjoyed an exciting educational visit to Kinver Edge as part of their Stone Age history topic.

The children impressed the volunteers with their excellent knowledge and enthusiasm for the subject. During the trip, they took part in a range of immersive activities, including clay pot making, hurdle weaving, and fire starting. It was a fantastic experience, and the children are already looking forward to returning with their friends and family.



Farm School

The potato and strawberry plants are growing well and most of our seeds have germinated in the greenhouse, including the sunflowers that we were given from the charity 'Beth's Sunflowers'.

Each Year 3 class will visit for an afternoon in May to plant out some seedlings and sow some seeds directly into the soil.



Well done to KS2 with TTRS over Easter with a good percentage of usage from all year groups. A special congratulations to our star year group, Year 6, for over 90% usage!



Well done KS1 to those children who have worked so hard on NumBots this week. Congratulations to 2TR and 1SB for being our star classes over these last 30 days with 97% usage!



Learning

Year 3 Swimming

This week, two of our Year 3 classes have begun their first swimming lessons!

With excitement and enthusiasm, they are learning essential swimming skills and water safety.

It's wonderful to see our young swimmers gaining confidence and enjoying their time in the pool. We look forward to watching how they progress.

Accelerated Reader Millionaire Club

Children in KS2 have been working hard over the last four weeks towards our school target of reading 20,000,000 words by the end of the year!

Please see below the winning classes for the greatest number of words read over the last four weeks and the spotlight child in each class who have contributed significantly to this total by reading the most words in their class. Well done everyone!

Year 3 winners - 3EG 273,918 words
Child Spotlight - Louie - 190,858 words

Year 4 winners - 4LH 230,705 words
Child Spotlight - Freddie - 160,381 words

Year 5 winners - 5ZB 726,677 words
Child Spotlight - Eleanor - 182,226 words

Year 6 winners - 6BR 184,442 words
Child Spotlight - Bethany - 60,594 words

EYFS Balance Bike Training

EYFS have taken part in Balance Bike Training this week. The children were taught how to safely mount and dismount their bike and the importance of wearing a helmet.

The children rode around the playground and played games, developing their balance skills and confidence. All the children had a brilliant day.





HALES VALLEY TRUST SUPER 7 EASTER BATTLE



Congratulations to everyone who took part in the Easter Trust battles. Seven schools competed and the scores were tight!

A fantastic well done to all our Lutley players who helped us to achieve 2nd position overall in the competition!

A special well done to our Year 6 children who excellent fantastic scores!

Well done everyone!

HALES VALLEY SUPER 7 EASTER BATTLE

12 APRIL - 27 APRIL 2025

* ANSWER AS MANY QUESTIONS AS POSSIBLE *
PLAY IN ANY GAME TYPE * THE WINNING CLASS WILL HAVE
THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF CORRECT ANSWERS PER PUPIL *
ASK YOUR TEACHER FOR FULL DETAILS AND RULES *



Each week, we will share a useful parent guide on a range of online safety topics. These are also available free to you if you sign up to National Online Safety. Keep your children safe by staying up to date! Also, take a look at <https://parentzone.org.uk/> for more.



At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

10 tips for parents and carers

HOW TO BE GREEN WITH YOUR TECH

Right now, humans aren't living sustainably: we're taking too many resources and not leaving the world in a fit state for future generations. Old tech products are a clear example: if we throw them away, the poisonous lead and mercury inside can get into the food chain through the soil. Recycling tech, though, has its own issues: it's often exported to countries where the law doesn't protect people from hazards. Whole villages (including children) sort through discarded devices to remove useful parts and substances like gold, silver and copper – often putting their health at risk. Finding ways to re-use tech is the greenest option.

So what can we do with those cupboards and drawers full of old phones and unwanted computers?
Reuse, recycle, donate or sell them!

1 DONATE THEM TO CHARITY

There are lots of charities that redistribute unwanted tech to worthy causes, either in the UK or in developing nations. If your old products are still working, this is a great option – as it means that new products don't have to be made. Search online for your nearest place that does this.

2 REMEMBER THE BATTERIES

Almost all batteries can be recycled – even the little 'button' ones from smaller gadgets. You could choose a box at home or school to keep used batteries in, and then take them to a designated place that collects them. Be very careful, though – button cells can be deadly if eaten by small children or pets.

3 USE YOUR ONLINE SAFETY KNOWLEDGE

If you're recycling, selling or repurposing any of your devices, make sure that all your personal data, private photos and so on have been deleted before the tech leaves your hands or is connected online.

4 REUSE THEM

Old smartphones can be used as webcams, security cameras, baby monitors or pet cams: there are apps that will configure them to do this. You can also turn an outdated phone into a TV remote control, an alarm clock that wakes you up with your favourite track, or a media centre you can take to places where you wouldn't risk your new phone.

5 TURN IT INTO SOMETHING NEW

Smartphones are more powerful than most older computers. If you have an unwanted android phone, it's quite easy to create a new computer – you could use an old TV as a monitor, meaning you just need a mouse and keyboard. There are also small devices you can buy which let you do the same with iPhones.

6 RETURN THEM

Return devices to the manufacturer or retailer you bought them from. Some manufacturers take responsibility for their products and accept them back, to refurbish and redistribute. If they don't, you could contact them and ask why: the more consumer pressure there is on shops and manufacturers, the more likely they are to act in a greener way.

7 SUPPORT SCIENCE

Let your old devices help modern research. Scientists currently investigating topics like far-off star systems, cancer treatment and earthquakes need enormous computing power. If your unwanted device is WiFi enabled, for example, you can connect it to a network so that it can boost scientists' research.

8 SELL THEM

This is also a green option as it means that fewer devices have to be produced. On top of that, you could also donate some of the money you make to an environmental charity.

9 RESEARCH DISPOSAL METHODS

If your device is beyond repair and no one wants it, get rid of it safely through a specialist tech disposal company. Check that your device won't be shipped off to another country for processing.

10 KEEP THINKING

There's no such thing as 'too many' ways to help our planet! If you come up with a better idea than ours, contact National Online Safety and tell us.



Meet Our Expert

Neil Atkin teaches scientific literacy through his non-profit organisation, Rubbish Science, which engages people in working together to live more sustainably and creatively uses waste to help address real-life problems. There are a range of environmental activities you may like to try on their website: www.rubbishscience.com.



USERRA Links: Places to donate old electrical items: www.recycleyourwaste.co.uk/donate-electrical-goods/ | How to turn an old smartphone into a computer: www.dailymail.com/tech/turn-old-smartphone-into-pc
The links about shops' responsibilities on tech: www.gov.uk/electronic-waste-producer-supplier-responsibilities | Two scientific research schemes which old devices can support: www.zooniverse.org/join-worked-and
www.donate.org.uk/mobile/devices/ | Find your local tech recycling centre: www.recyclenow.com