

# LAMBS LANE NEWS



**Important!**

**WEEK 2 - 11.11.22**

## Dangerous parking

It is dangerous to park in the entrance to the school gates or on the zig zag lines. Please refrain from parking here if you are dropping or collecting your child outside of school hours.

**Your schedule for next week:**

Please note the change to the outdoor club finish time - It is getting darker in the evenings!



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	3:30 — 4:30 KS1 Dance	1:30 — 2:30 Prospective parent open day	3:30 — 4:15 KS2 Running	<b>Children in Need</b>
	3:30 — 4:15 Y5/6 Football	3:30 — 4:30 Y3/4 Gym	3:30 — 4:15 Y3/4 Cricket	9:00—9:30 Academy briefing
		3:30 — 4:15 Y1/2 Ball games	3:30 — 4:15 KS1 Hockey	3.30 Christmas Jumper Sale
			6:00 — 6:30 Academy briefing	3:30 — 4:30 Y5/6 Dodgeball

## Attendance

As a school, we aim to have above 96% attendance. We hope you can support us in this goal!



## MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

On Tuesday evening of this week governors from 10 local schools, including Lambs Lane, met to see the final proposals for the Orchard Learning Alliance. We have put the document that was shared on our website for you to take a look at. Please don't be put off by the length! Click [here](#) to view. I would advise you to, at least, read the sections on vision and values, as that gives an indication of what will drive the decision making of the Trust. Confirmation of the consultation events for parents are in the above diary.

Today the whole school went into the playground at 11am for a service of Remembrance. I am always impressed with the seriousness and respect with which the children approach the event. Tonight the school choir is performing at the Hexagon as part of the Junior Music Festival organised by Berkshire Maestros. It is always a fabulous event and I am looking forward to hearing some great show tunes! Have a lovely weekend everyone.

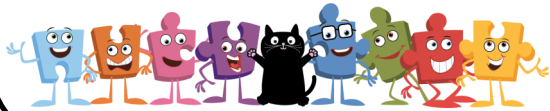
Sharon Finn



In PSHE this term, we are looking at the theme:

### Celebrating differences

This week, compliment someone on something that makes them unique!



# Arts Focus



Brian Lorimer — It is written



[Click here to see painting larger!](#)

What do you notice about this piece of art?

What do you like or not like?

## Noticeboard

### Christmas Jumper & Toy Sale

The PTA will be selling an array of Christmas Jumpers and Accessories, as well as a Toy sale, next Friday (18th November) in the playground. If you have any good condition items for donation, please bring them to the school office.

### Dates for your diary

Heron's Sharing Assembly	Thursday 17th November
PTA Xmas Jumper & Toy Sale	Friday 18th November
Merlin's Sharing Assembly	Friday 25th November
PTA Winter Disco	Thursday 1st December
Wren's Sharing Assembly	Friday 2nd December
Owl's Sharing Assembly	Friday 9th December
Last day of Term	Tuesday 20th December

### Children in Need 2022

Please see your parent mail for the details of the Cupcake SPOTacular event in support of Children in Need.

### Christmas dinner

We will be holding our whole school Christmas dinner on Friday 16th December. Children will be allowed to wear one festive item along with their school uniform. Further details to follow in due course.



# Woodpeckers' Learning Showcase

This week, the Woodpeckers have been exploring the physical features of Australia. We used grid references to find locations and found out about some of Australia's amazing geography! In science, we found out about the differences between bulbs and seeds. Test us on our knowledge of bulbs... we can tell you what a tunic is! It has been a great second week back after half term. We are looking forward to exploring more about our world!

Sorting into physical and human geographical features.



Using grid references to find places on our map.

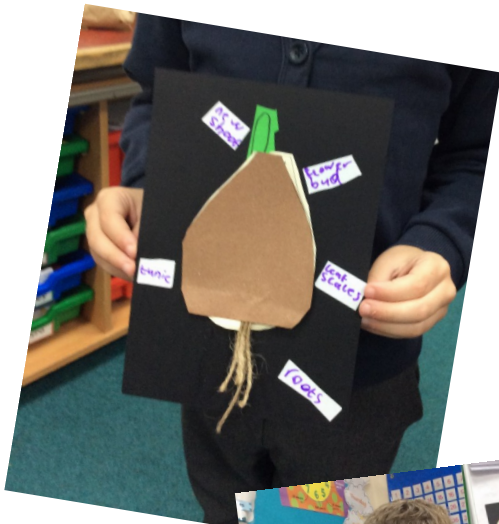


A pumpkin has loads of seeds! We might try planting some.



We sliced open some bulbs to look at what was inside!

Our bulb diagrams with flaps!





# Remembrance Day

Today, we remember those who have sacrificed their lives in war. They will never be forgotten.



We had our remembrance service on the playground and had a minute silence to remember those who have died.





# TAKEHOME

14-20  
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Picture  
News



**Should we ever have to change  
our appearance?**

## In the news this week

Pupils in schools should not be unfairly singled out for having afro hair, the Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC) has said in new guidelines for schools. The EHRC reported that rules banning certain styles are likely to be breaking the law. This includes styles such as afros, braids, cornrows, plaits, locks, and head coverings. The new guidance was announced to help schools in England, Scotland and Wales ensure their hair policies are fair.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- > Have you, or do you know anyone who has, had to change your/their appearance for work or for school?
- > Share your thoughts on the new changes, do you think it's important these guidelines are given to workplaces and schools?

Check out the Picture Newspaper  
on our website: [Click Here](#)





## WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

### Get help with cost of living

### Information from Wokingham Borough Council

Help is available through the council and its partners if you're struggling with the cost of living.

More people are reaching out than ever before, many who have never had to ask for help.

Rising energy prices and inflation are impacting more and more families locally. Here's some of the help you can get:

If your child gets means-tested free school meals [apply for the Household Support Fund through First Days Children's Charity](#) (note you can apply for one type of Household Support Fund support)

If you're struggling with bills or buying food [apply for the Household Support Fund through Age UK Berkshire or Citizens Advice](#) (note you can apply for one type of Household Support Fund support)  
Go to the [cost of living help hub](#) for help and tips open to all

Go to the [help for families with cost of living](#) advice pages

See how you can get [help with household bills](#)

[Register for priority services](#) if you have children aged five or under, you are pregnant or if you or a family member is disabled or has a long term health condition

See services you can contact directly for [help with essentials like food or warm clothes](#)

If you'd prefer to talk to someone contact One Front Door. This is a service led by Citizens Advice which helps residents find the most appropriate support. Use the [online referral form](#) or call [0808 278 2958](#), Monday to Friday.

And if you're not struggling but have time and want to help others, see if you could volunteer locally to support organisations [helping people struggling with the cost of living](#).





## Match the Flag Competition

Looking for something to do with the children? Our Community Engagement and My Journey Teams have created a 'Match the Flag' competition to celebrate the Football World Cup 2022.

To take part you need to:

1. Download the question sheet which can be found under Related Downloads.
2. There are 16 flags can you match the country with their flag?
3. Once you've answered all questions take a picture of the completed form and [send to us](#).
4. Make sure you have included your child's name, age and school. Correct entries will be entered into a prize draw to win a prize very kindly donated by Reading Football Club.

Good luck!



Have you taken a career break of any length from STEM and wish to return? Are you working below your capability in a different sector? Do you have a STEM qualification that you aren't using? Do you wish to transfer STEM sectors? If so, this could be the opportunity for you!

STEM Returners provide STEM Professionals with a supported route back into the career they worked hard to build. Plus advice, career coaching, networking opportunities and mentoring to ensure they are ready and confident to return. We do this through partnering with STEM organisations to run returner programmes, enabling professionals to return to an equitable and inclusive industry.

We have recently launched a new STEM Returners programme with AWE, based at their sites in Berkshire, in areas such as manufacturing engineering, systems engineering as well as IT positions. For more information about these opportunities, please visit [www.stemreturners.com](http://www.stemreturners.com) or email [hello@stemreturners.com](mailto:hello@stemreturners.com).

No career break is too long, register to return to STEM today!