

# LAMBS LANE NEWS



WEEK 15 - 05.01.24

**Important!**



## Car Park

It is likely that the Car park opposite the school will be busy next week as the front Car park will be inaccessible due to the gate being fixed. Please take extra care when entering or leaving

Your schedule for next week:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	3:30 — 4:30 Y1/2 Ball games	3:30 — 4:30 Y3/4 Tag Rugby	3:30 — 4:30 Y1/2 Multi Skills	3:30 — 4:30 Y5/6 Basketball

## Club spaces

We are very fortunate to be able to fund free sports Clubs for the Children at Lambs Lane. Many schools charge for their clubs but we feel all children should have access to sport activities while they are here. We still have quite a few spaces for each of the clubs so please contact the office if your child would like to participate. If some clubs do not have a particularly good take-up, we will need to change the club to another year group.

Contact: [phill@lambslane.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:phill@lambslane.wokingham.sch.uk)



## Attendance

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



## Minutes missed of school due to lateness

This week we have had **179 minutes (2hrs 59 mins)** of lost learning due to lateness. **13 pupils** were late this week.

Class	Attendance percentage
Owls	94.3%
Wrens	91.4%
Woodpeckers	94.7%
Kingfishers	93.1%
Merlins	96.7%
Robins	86.9%
Hérons	90.5%
Whole School	92.3%

## MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Welcome back to the Spring Term 2024! I hope that you all had a good break with lots of family time and not too many coughs and colds. This week has had a water theme - lots of rain, a large puddle in the middle of the playground and a water outage yesterday afternoon! Thankfully, the rain has eased off for the moment, the drain has been cleared so the puddle has gone, and the water came back on quite quickly. However, I know that there has been significant flooding in Swallowfield and that this has made some journeys quite challenging. The Spring Term is always impacted by the weather and so please make sure that your child has suitable clothing for whatever comes our way. What they think is suitable, is often not appropriate and they do need checking. Fingers crossed for a drier week next week.

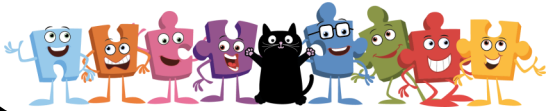
Sharon Finn



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

## Dreams and Goals

This week, we have been thinking about what we are proud of. Chat about this with your family.



## Computing

Check out the online safety section on our website for lots of tips to keep your family safe when using devices at home.

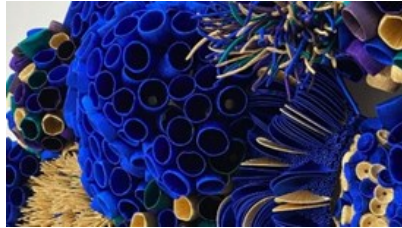
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# Arts Focus



## Ghizlane Sahli



[Click here to find out about the artist and see the artwork bigger!](#)

Ghizlane Sahli lives and works in Morocco. She collects plastic bottle and covers them in silk threads and create installations with them. The colours are rich – do you like them? What do they remind you of?

# Noticeboard

## PE Kit

We have had a large amount of children not bringing some or all of their PE kit in for the first week back.

Please Can your child bring their PE kit in on a Monday morning and take it home on a Friday for laundering. Although the weather is not currently too cold, please ensure that your child has both trousers and shorts.

## Contact Data

If you have moved or got a new telephone number or email address, please make sure you have updated these details on your child's Arbor account. It is important that we have up to date details in the case of emergency. Please also note that you need to advise us if the additional contacts for your child change in anyway as these details will need to be updated via the school office.

## The Importance of Attendance

Failing to attend school regularly can have a major impact on a child's education, their future and their life chances. There is strong evidence to show that absence has a serious impact on a child's performance in tests and examinations and means that they will fail to meet their full potential.

Other reasons why school attendance is important:

- ◆ Relationships with peers are built and sustained
- ◆ Children who are away from school may be at risk of becoming victims of crime or abuse
- ◆ Increases life choices
- ◆ Children may be drawn into anti-social or criminal behavior

Parents can help by:

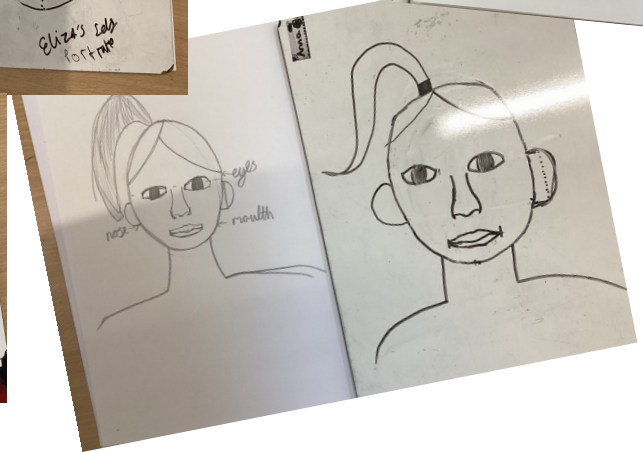
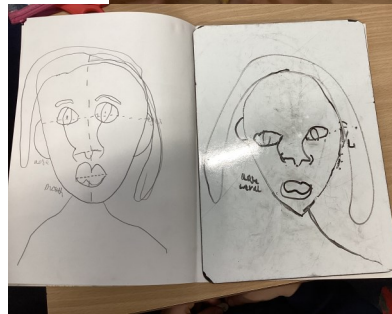
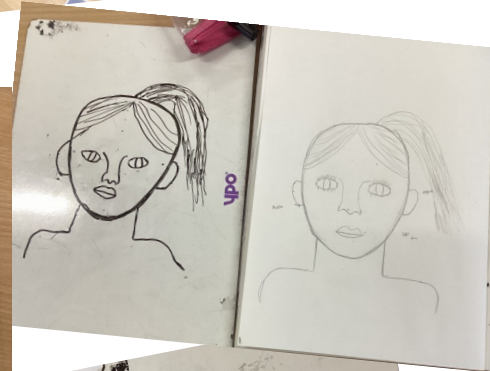
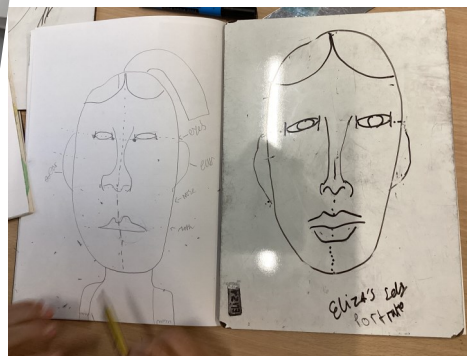
- ◆ Creating good routines at home
- ◆ Making sure children arrive at school on time and properly equipped
- ◆ Making time to encourage children and show interest in their work
- ◆ Communicating with the school any problems that may affect attendance
- ◆ Adhering to the school's Attendance Policy
- ◆ Avoiding absence from school – make non urgent medical appointment out of school hours, do not take holidays in term time
- ◆ Setting realistic boundaries and sanctions related to school attendance
- ◆ Informing the school on the first day of absence and maintaining contact
- ◆ Giving positive messages about school attendance in formative years to contribute to better management of adolescent years





# Year 3/4 Learning Showcase

In art we have been  
creating self  
portraits. We had  
to think very  
carefully about the  
proportion of our



In science we  
have been  
classifying  
animals.





# TAKEHOME



 **Picture  
News**

**Are decorations an important  
part of celebrations?**



## In the news this week

Twinpike Way, a street in York, is also known as Twinklepike Way as usually in December, every home is lit up with incredible festive lights to raise money for charity. The residents started putting up the lights in 2000 and since then, hundreds of people have come to visit them. After 20 years and raising over £100,000 for charities, the homeowners have collectively decided that it's time for a break this year, partly due to the ages of the residents. Rising energy bills and the closure of the local bank branch, where the donations are typically paid, added to the decision.

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

- Share your thoughts about the decorations in the poster image. Do you like to see homes with lots of decorations outside? Are there any in your local area?
- Can you think of different times when you use decorations? Is there a particular time when you enjoy decorating your home or classroom?

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





CALL US

**03303 530 541**



**SPEAK TO TRAINED SLEEP ADVISORS**

**Available Monday/Tuesday/Thursday evening 7-9pm**  
**Monday/Wednesday morning 9-11am**

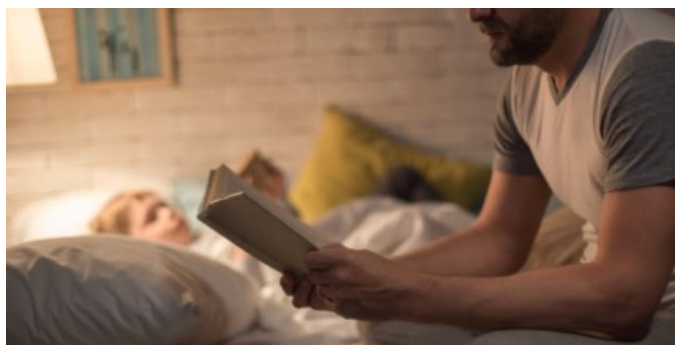
\*excluding Bank Holidays

This is a confidential service. We would only need to share what you tell us if we are worried about you, someone else or there has been a crime.



### Childrens sleep problems

The most common issues kids have at bedtime: settling, changes in routine, bed wetting, fear/anxiety, sensory Issues, feeling hungry or thirsty, discomfort.



### Bedtime Routines

A bedtime routine is important in getting a good night's sleep. A routine helps to support children's body clocks and aid relaxation. Here are some helpful tips.



### Bedroom Environment

The bedroom environment plays an important role in getting a good night's sleep. Here are some tips to help you to make sure that your child's bedroom supports a restful night's sleep:



### Relaxation Tips

Feeling relaxed is important in the run up to bedtime for both parent and child. Youngsters often pick up on stress levels so try to create a relaxing and calm environment as bedtime approaches.