



Newsletter 03.07.26

Hello from Our Principal, Maria Cupit

Dear Families,

As we approach the end of another busy and rewarding period at school, we wanted to take a moment to celebrate the fantastic achievements, enthusiasm and resilience shown by our pupils across a range of learning experiences.

Our Year 4 children recently completed the Multiplication Tables Check (MTC), and we are incredibly proud of the determination, perseverance and positive attitudes they demonstrated throughout. They approached the challenge with confidence and maturity, reflecting the hard work they have put into developing their fluency in multiplication throughout the year. Whatever their individual outcomes, every child should be proud of the commitment they have shown.

Year 4 have also enjoyed a series of enriching educational visits that have brought their classroom learning to life. During their visit to Ramsbury Manor Estate, pupils explored the fascinating ecosystem of a local chalk stream, discovering the diverse plants and animals that depend on this unique habitat. The experience deepened their understanding of environmental education and the importance of protecting these rare and valuable natural environments.



Hello from Our Principal, Maria Cupit... continued

Their learning journey continued with a visit to the Great Hall in Winchester, where they stepped back in time to support their study of the Anglo-Saxons. Exploring this historic setting helped the children make meaningful connections between their classroom learning and England's rich history, sparking curiosity and thoughtful discussion.

Meanwhile, our Year 6 pupils have returned from their residential visit full of wonderful memories and a real sense of achievement. Throughout the trip, they embraced every opportunity to challenge themselves, tackling both land and water-based activities with enthusiasm, courage and resilience. It was especially pleasing to hear that the children were encouraging one another, working collaboratively and demonstrating excellent teamwork. They represented our school superbly, showing kindness, determination and respect throughout the visit.

Experiences such as these play an invaluable role in developing confidence, independence and a love of learning beyond the classroom. We are incredibly proud of all our pupils for the enthusiasm, curiosity and positive attitudes they continue to demonstrate every day.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Together, we are helping our children grow into confident, resilient learners who are ready to embrace every opportunity that comes their way.

We are incredibly proud of all of our Year 1 children for the fantastic effort they showed during the Phonics Screening Check (PSC) in June. They approached the assessment with confidence, resilience and positive attitudes, and it was wonderful to see how much progress they have made throughout the year.

The children have worked hard to develop their phonics knowledge and reading skills, and they should all be very proud of their achievements. We would also like to thank parents and carers for their continued support with reading and phonics practice at home. Your encouragement makes a real difference.

Maria



Futures Day

Our Futures Day was a fantastic success, giving children the opportunity to explore an exciting range of careers and discover where their interests and talents could take them in the future.

Throughout the day, pupils enjoyed visiting our job fair, where they met professionals from a wide variety of industries. They asked thoughtful questions, learned about different career pathways and gained a real insight into the skills and experiences needed for each role. We were delighted to welcome volunteers from organisations and professions including the National Trust, Penny Post, 4LEGS Radio, marketing and design, estate agency, forensic science, laser science, the RAF, aviation, aircraft engineering and many more.

The enthusiasm from both our visitors and our children made the day truly memorable. It was wonderful to see pupils so engaged, curious and inspired as they discovered careers they may never have considered before.

A huge thank you to all of our volunteers who generously gave up their time to support the event. Your passion, expertise and willingness to share your experiences helped make Futures Day such a valuable and inspiring experience for our children. We are incredibly grateful for your support.







School Celebrations

Values Medals 29th June



School Office:

Reminders, updates & future calendar dates

Future Calendar Dates (new dates added - event information will show in bold)

10th July: SEND Breakfast - all parents welcome
10th July: PTA Bouncy Castle Fun Day
14th July: Reception trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park
16th July: Y6 Performance to parents/carers at 6pm
20th July: Y6 Leavers service in church

Please follow link and complete the short survey
<http://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture>



If you have a query about your child please contact their class teacher in the first instance:

Mrs Crick: F1@lambourn.excalibur.org.uk F2@lambourn.excalibur.org.uk
Miss Townsend Y1@lambourn.excalibur.org.uk
Miss Townsend Y2@lambourn.excalibur.org.uk
Ms Ross Y3@lambourn.excalibur.org.uk
Mr Wootten Y4@lambourn.excalibur.org.uk
Ms Linsley Y5@lambourn.excalibur.org.uk
Miss O'Farrell Y6@lambourn.excalibur.org.uk

For any other enquiries please phone or e-mail the school office: 0148871479
admin@lambourn.excalibur.org.uk



SEND Update

Ask the SEN Team Breakfast

Friday 10th July, 8:45am (after drop-off)

All parents and carers are warmly invited to join us for our Ask the SEN Team Breakfast. Come along for a relaxed morning of coffee, croissants, and conversation. This is an opportunity to ask questions, share concerns, and find out more about how we can support children with additional needs.

We would love to hear your questions in advance so that we can prepare helpful information and advice. Questions can be submitted anonymously if preferred and may relate to topics such as:

- EHCPs
- Anxiety
- Homework
- Behaviour
- Transitions
- Any other SEND-related questions

Please send any questions to school by Thursday 3rd July.

The breakfast will take place after drop-off on **Friday 10th July at 8:45am**. All parents and carers are welcome, whether you have submitted a question or would simply like to come along for an informal chat.

If a question comes to mind after the deadline, please don't worry – questions can be asked at any time, either on the day or by contacting the school.

We look forward to welcoming you!
Naomi Stapley and Laura Womersley



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**FRIENDS OF
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SCHOOL**

Dear Parent/Carer,

Jolly Bags

We will be running a Jolly Bag stall at the Bouncy Castle Fun Day and we wondered if you and your child could help! We would **LOVE** your child to decorate this bag and fill it with something nice. They could fill it with sweets, chocolates, bouncy balls, pennies, bobbles, little toys, small pencils / pens or things you might find in a party bag. The possibilities are endless but please no slugs or anything dangerous and remember not to add nuts or food containing nuts inside your bag. If you want to decorate and fill more than one bag we have extra's in the school office if you need one. Filled and decorated bags should be returned by Thursday 9th July.

We can't thank you enough for your help.

Lambourn PTA



To celebrate all the success of the school and pupils,
we are thrilled to announce our **FREE**

BOUNCY CASTLE FUN DAY

FREE
for Lambourn
pupils and
their siblings
(11 & under)

Friday 10th July from 1.30pm

We have a fantastic selection of inflatables booked that will cater to all age groups, ensuring everyone gets a chance to jump around and burn off some pre-summer energy. This is a **FREE** for Lambourn pupils and their siblings (11 & under) but you **MUST** have a ticket to enter and will need to register on the day.

ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

We will be selling refreshments as well as running some other fun activities, so bring some spending money!

On the day, please come and register at the registration table (on the school field) before 2.30pm (at the latest!). If they wish to, children can change in their classrooms at the end of the school day.

Please order your tickets online using the following link or QR code (and confirm you have read and agreed to the disclaimer form on the back of this letter) **by Sunday 5th July.**



<https://lambournschoolpta.charityhive.co.uk/tickets/8/bouncy-castle-fun-day>





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Attendance

Please keep your child home if they have a fever, or feel too unwell to do normal activities. Specific guidance requires keeping children off for 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting. Children with a fever should stay home until it breaks, while mild symptoms like a runny nose or slight cough, without a fever, are usually fine for school.



Do I need to keep my child off school?



Chicken Pox Until all spots have crusted over	Conjunctivitis No need to stay off but school or nursery should be Informed	Diarrhoea & Vomiting 48 hours from last episode	Glandular Fever No need to stay off but school or nursery should be Informed	Hand, foot & mouth No need to stay off but school or nursery should be Informed	Impetigo Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Measles or German Measles 4 days from onset of rash	Mumps 5 days from onset of swelling	Scabies Until after first treatment	Scarlet Fever 24 hours after commencing antibiotics	Slapped Cheek No need to stay off but school or nursery should be Informed	Whooping Cough 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Flu Until recovered	Head Lice No need to stay off but school or nursery should be Informed	Threadworms No need to stay off but school or nursery should be Informed	Tonsillitis No need to stay off but school or nursery should be Informed		



Year 1 & 2 Update

Hello from Year 1 and 2!

It has been another busy fortnight in the classroom, and the children have coped really well with the extremely hot weather that we have had recently.

To help them in the heat last week, we moved our tables apart so that everyone is not sat together, we have allowed the children to have their water bottles at the tables and given them plenty of opportunities to refill their bottles with cold water throughout the day, and we have had playtime in the shade to help everyone stay out of the sun as much as possible. On Friday we even gave the children trays of cold water to go underneath their tables so that they could keep their feet cool while they were doing their work! As always, we take every precaution that we can to keep these children safe in school, and I was really proud of how mature and grown up they were last week in conditions that made learning a little more challenging.

Thank you to everyone who came to support our COOL session last week! The children absolutely loved having the opportunity to share all that they have learned with you, and I hope that everyone who joined us enjoyed seeing what the children have been up to in the classroom! In history, we have been learning all about Isambard Kingdom Brunel and the challenges that he faced when constructing the Great Western Railway. This week I gave the children their own challenge to design and build their own bridge using just straws and masking tape to see how much weight these bridges could hold. The children had a lot of fun in this investigation and created some excellent bridges. I have included some pictures of their inventions in this newsletter.

Thank you all for your continued support,
Miss Townsend, Miss Ball and Mrs Lord



Year 3 Update

Hello from Year 3!

Over the last two weeks, Year 3 have been working incredibly hard across all subjects, and we are very proud of the effort they have shown.

In English, we have been learning about the life and achievements of David Attenborough in preparation for writing our own biographies. The children have been revisiting the use of past progressive tense and expanded noun phrases to help make their writing more detailed and engaging. I am really looking forward to reading their biographies next week, which will be their final independent writing piece of Year 3. I am excited to see how they apply everything they have learnt throughout the year.

In math, we have been exploring different ways of presenting data. The children have interpreted and created data tables, pictograms and bar charts, as well as learning how to organise information clearly. This means we are now fully prepared for our end-of-year assessments!

A huge thank you to everyone who attended and supported our Futures Day. The children had a fantastic opportunity to learn about a wide range of careers, including forensic science, marketing, the RAF, design, aviation, laser technology, and many more. It was wonderful to see their enthusiasm as they asked thoughtful questions and discovered the exciting opportunities that could be available to them in the future. We are incredibly grateful to everyone who gave up their time to inspire our pupils.

A reminder that Year 3 swims every Monday and Wednesday, so please ensure your child comes to school with their swimming kit and towel on these days.

Thank you for your continued support throughout the year.

Miss Ross



Year 4 Update

Hello from Year 4!

Year 4 have enjoyed two terrific off site trips in the last two weeks. Firstly, carrying out a river survey and hunting for creatures in the river bed. Some impressive find were made including some crayfish and a large bullhead. Also, in Winchester, the children excelled themselves with some market bartering and some medieval games. Taking them on these trips has been a pleasure - well done them!

See photos!

Thank you as always for your support!
Mr Wootten and Mrs Smith





Year 5 Update

Hello from Year 5!

Over the past two weeks in Year 5, the children have been working incredibly hard. We have been loving our class text *A Tale of Dark & Grimm* and everyone has formed fantastic predictions of what they think will happen next. In Maths, we have been interpreting tables and graphs and will be consolidating the new skills we have learned over the course of the year. In English this week, the children will be writing newspaper reports based on the book *The Island* by Armin Greder, where a mysterious man is washed up on an island. The children have come such a long way in the progression of their swimming technique, including front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke. It has been fantastic to see!

Thank you for your continued support at home.
Miss Linsley



Year 6 Update

Hello from Year 6!

Year 6 pupils recently enjoyed an exciting residential trip packed with challenge, teamwork and fun. Throughout the week, the children took part in a range of adventurous activities including archery, climbing, kayaking, katanuving and abseiling. The residential provided many opportunities for the children to step outside their comfort zones, develop resilience and encourage one another. Whether they were aiming for the bullseye in archery, scaling the climbing wall, paddling together on the water or bravely descending the abseiling tower, the children showed fantastic determination, enthusiasm and teamwork.

We were incredibly proud of how they represented our school, demonstrating excellent behaviour, independence and a positive attitude throughout the trip. The residential created many wonderful memories and was a fitting highlight of their final weeks in Year 6.

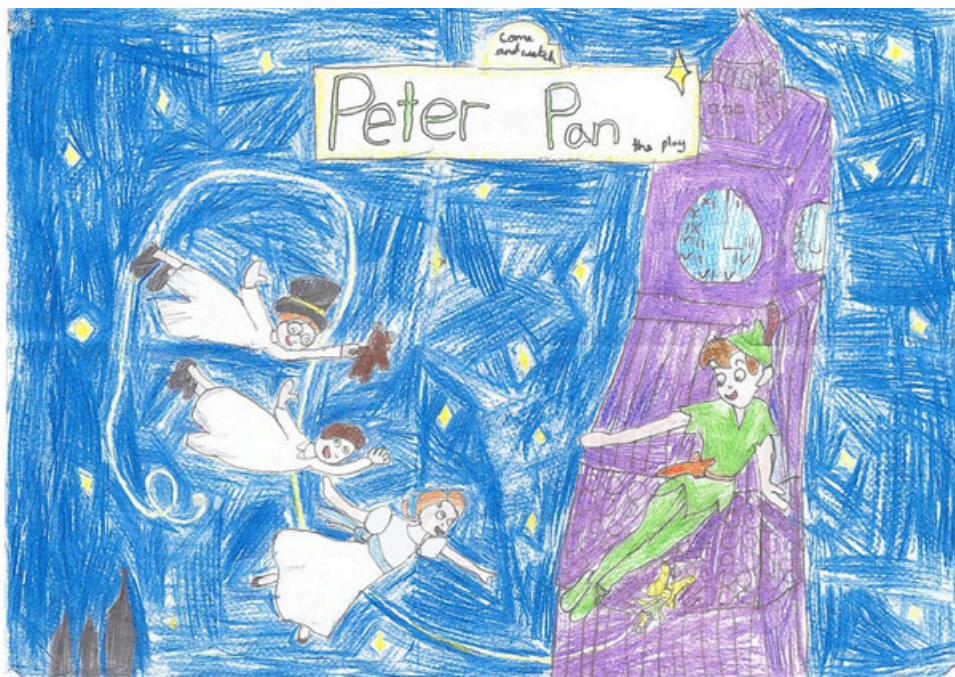
Thank you, as always, for your continued support throughout the year.

Miss O'Farrell





Year 6 Parents and Carers are invited to come
and see Peter Pan 16th July at 6pm





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SIX WEEKS - BIG FEELINGS - YOU'VE GOT THIS

A free resource for families

A WARM WELCOME



Welcome to our very first newsletter — thank you for being here! I'm Katie, founder of Anchor & Bounce. The name says it all — Anchor is about helping children feel emotionally secure and confident in who they are, and Bounce is about building the resilience to get back up when things get tough. Each month I'll share something practical and honest to support you and your child, because the small things you do at home make the biggest difference. Let's do this together.

When the end of term isn't all joy

For children who rely on the predictability of school life, six weeks of unstructured time can trigger anxiety, low mood, or big emotional reactions. This doesn't mean something is wrong. It means your child's nervous system is adjusting. Understanding that is the first step.

Signs your child may be struggling with the transition

-  **More irritable than usual** - big reactions to small things in the first week or two
-  **Sleep disruption** - later nights & harder mornings; feeds emotional dysregulation
-  **Boredom that tips into anxiety** - 'I've got nothing to do' can mask worry about the unknown
-  **Asking about September already** - a sign their mind is trying to prepare for what's next



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4 THINGS THAT MAKE SUMMER FEEL EASIER TRY THIS AT HOME



Keep a loose routine

Meals, movement, and a rough bedtime give the nervous system enough predictability to feel settled — without rigidity.



Protect sleep

Screens off an hour before bed. More sleep means more emotional regulation. It really is that simple — and that hard.



Plan together

Let your child help choose one activity each week. Agency and anticipation both reduce anxiety.



Get outside daily

Even 20 minutes of outdoor time reduces cortisol. It doesn't need to be a big day out — a walk counts.

"I'd 100% recommend. I think all children would benefit from this programme to develop a better understanding of themselves, their capability to focus and deal with anxieties."

— Katie, Year 5 Class Teacher

WANT SUPPORT THIS SUMMER?

We work with families throughout the year. If your child is finding the transition tough or you want to build their emotional toolkit before September - we'd love to hear from you.

Get in touch: hello@anchorandbounce.com www.anchorandbounce.com



The Great DRAGON Adventure

22 JULY - 1 SEPT 2026

Track the dragon. Complete the quest. Reclaim the treasure.

A fun-filled summer of exploring, discovering and adventure

Discover Bucks Museum, Aylesbury HP20 2QP
For opening times and ticket prices visit: discoverbucksmuseum.org



The Great DRAGON Adventure

Set off on a thrilling Dragon Quest this summer at Discover Bucks Museum in Aylesbury and turn your museum visit into an unforgettable family adventure.

Can you brave the dragon quest and discover the treasure?



Discover, play and explore all day long!

22 JULY - 1 SEPT 2026
All included in your Roald Dahl Children's Gallery ticket

- ★ **The Great Dragon Adventure** - Children will love tracking the dragon, having fun with the hands-on challenges and exploring the Museum
- ★ **Roald Dahl Children's Gallery** - hands-on discovery and amazing science inspired by Roald Dahl's stories
- ★ **The SAXONS** - an immersive exhibition
- ★ **Museum Galleries** - discover 200 million years of Bucks history in our family-friendly museum galleries
- ★ **Sensory Room**
- ★ **Outdoor toys and games** in the museum garden
- ★ **Gift Shop** and **Garden Café** with kid's lunchboxes available or bring a picnic

For more details, charges and to book please scan the QR code or visit discoverbucksmuseum.org



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STARTING Y5 IN SEPTEMBER?

FANCY MEETING UP WITH YOUR FRIENDS ON A MONDAY EVENING?

Come and join us from 6.15pm to 7.30pm, every Monday at The Lambourn Centre.

Voluntary contribution of £1 per session.



LAMBOURN YOUTH JUNCTION
WHERE YOUNG PEOPLE MEET UP

Sign-up today! Simply visit tinyurl.com/lamyj2027 and fill out the form or find us on Facebook for more information



Meet your friends

Sports activities

Games & Crafts

Tuck Shop



LAMBOURN YOUTH JUNCTION
WHERE YOUNG PEOPLE MEET UP

FIRST SESSION:
MONDAY
7TH SEPTEMBER 2026

IN YEARS 6 to 9 IN SEPTEMBER 2026?

IF YOU'D LIKE TO COME TO LAMBOURN YOUTH JUNCTION, WE NEED YOU TO REGISTER BY MONDAY 31ST AUGUST 2026 (EVEN IF YOU HAVE REGISTERED BEFORE)

Simply visit tinyurl.com/lamyj2027 and fill out the 2027 form or scan the QR Code ---->



Come and join us every Monday at The Lambourn Centre.
Year 5 & 6: 6.15pm to 7.30pm | Year 7, 8 & 9: 7.30pm to 8.45pm

Voluntary contribution of £1 per session.