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School year comes to an end

2018-19 has been a wonderful year pack with so much, but the summer term always finishes with a multitude of wonderful events. This term we have taken part in many arts events, sporting events and community events. Our children have been able to enjoy the rich curriculum we offer and experience the sun and unfortunately plenty of rain while enjoying all that we have achieved. We have been awarded our Bronze Award by the Woodland Trust Green Tree Schools scheme. Emily Clark has achieved the standard to establish our school as a Forest Schools Provider and we have helped them to become fully inclusive and they are wishing us to advise them in the future. We heard from National Association of Special Schools that we have been nominated for the outstanding achievement for our outdoor learning work. We are thrilled and delighted for the recognition.



Our Sports day was the wettest we have ever seen, but we had a great time in the rain and doing alternative indoor events.

Bubbleologist comes to school



We have been delighted to welcome Lisa from Squidge and Pop - a bubbleologist to our school twice in the last few months. She came to our Wildmoor Music Festival and our Sports Day. We have seen both the outdoor presentation during the festival and an amazing indoor presentation where children and the Mayor were able to step inside a giant bubble and blow bubbles inside.



We are in the process of becoming a recognised [Forest School Provider](#) and will be shown on the Forest School Association website and map. This means we will be able to work with many other schools.



Wildmoor Festival



This year at our music festival we were joined by four other schools who came and performed with us and joined in the many different activities. The weather was perfect for this day as we saw over 100 visitors to our school. Having such a large site means that our children can still enjoy their school while enabling them to mix with other children and experience a true festival. Our catering team did us proud and produced their wonderful barbeque making the day truly magical for all.

Swimming

Our annual swimming gala was a great day of water fun with all children being offered a slot in the pool during the day. Some took part in more traditional races while others enjoyed races and games using a wealth of inflatables.



Regional Schools Gala

This year again we took part in the regional Special Schools Swimming gala held at Aldershot. Many schools took part and we were delighted that Katie represented the school and brought home two wonderful medals. Entering galas like this is such an amazing achievement, there are so many schools attending, noise levels are high and some routines and environments. Katie coped with all of this and we are so proud of her.

Gala

Lion King at a London Theatre.



As we are always trying to widen our children's experiences this year we have travelled into London and visited the Lyceum Theatre to watch the Lion King. A wonderful experience, well planned and executed by staff.

"All children make outstanding progress while living at Loddon. They each experience an individualised, stable and consistent home life. Children benefit from the integrated, multi-disciplinary approach to education and care. They each achieve their full potential and, in many cases, do so beyond previous expectations." Ofsted 2018

Summer Holidays.



This year we have also taken children on short holiday breaks at Sandy Balls Holiday Park in the New Forest. The cabins have hot tubs, there are lots of different activities to do on site or in the New Forest area. Being able to stay in a different environment, eat in different restaurants and walk in different locations is a great opportunity for the children, well supported by the team.



Weekend fun - our staff have organised a wealth of activities every weekend even their own ice cream van.



Our New Horticulture outdoor room has arrived so we can continue in all weathers to learn more about our environment and win awards!

Unicef Football Day



Linking to national events this term we joined the Unicef events learning lots of new football skills.



Thanks to Rotary International for a great 'Kids Out' day. We went to Adventure Wonderland and enjoyed the new slides and rides.



The Tranquility Garden was opened by the Mayor in July. It is a place of peace & quiet and to experience spiritual calm.



We celebrated the end of term with a **Wild West Prom** for the older students.

Please find attached our new 2019-20 school calendar. Make sure you note the special events when all the family are welcome to join us.