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# Message from the Senior Leadership Team

#### **Dear Parents & Carers,**

In the blink of an eye, Autumn 1 is complete! You have all spent the last six weeks getting to know your teachers, establish friendships in your new classes and continue the learning journey in your new year. Walking around the school, I have seen lots of



positives: hard work, resilience and children following our diamond rules.

Whilst you're having your much earned rest, please can I remind you of a few expectations. Whereas it's been lovely to see so many children in their smart uniforms, there have been some who are not in full uniform and footwear and also not wearing the school PE kit. Children should be wearing this to school on their PE days, not their own clothes. It is also important that you read at home and attend school every day so that you can maximise your learning opportunities.

We look forward to seeing you after your two week half term holiday, with renewed energy, ready to learn.

#### **Miss Dowe**

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# **EYFS**



The Nursery has been learning about 'My Body.' The children have learned new vocabulary by identifying different parts of their body. They have been singing 'Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes,' looking at X-ray images of body parts, and painting them. Additionally, they have been learning about teeth and how to take care of them.

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# **SEN Unit**











The children in SU6 have been learning about our community and the people who help us.In Literacy, they are also exploring the story *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*. The children have taken off their shoes to fully experience the sensory feeling on their feet.





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# **SEN Unit**











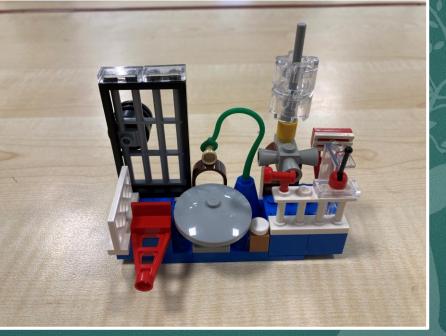




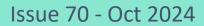
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## Lego Club





In Lego Club, the children designed water filtration systems. They really enjoyed creating them!



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# **PE Update**











On 3rd October, the Willow Girls' Football team participated in the Girls' Football Festival at Arbour Park Stadium, home of Slough Town FC! The girls developed their skills through fun circuit activities and played four 10-minute matches, winning two and drawing two. Fantastic teamwork and effort all around!

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# Parent Workshop Menu

All parents are welcome and pupils may also attend. There is no need to reserve a place. Please note there will be weekly stay and read parent sessions in KS1 and EYFS from Autumn 2. Week beginning Monday 4th November, more information regarding these sessions will be sent out soon.

Date	Session	Staff Lead	Venue
Tuesday 5/11/24	Reception Stay and Read session <b>Invite only</b>	EYFS team Marish and Willow	In Reception classes
Wednesday 6/11/24	Maths	Mrs Ommer and Mr Fuller Marish	School Hall at 8:45am and 2:30pm
Thursday 7/11/24	Maths	Miss Stroud Willow	School Hall at 8:45am and 2:30pm
Tuesday 12/11/24	Reception Stay and Read session <b>Invite only</b>	EYFS team Marish and Willow	In Reception classes
Tuesday 12/11/24	Phonics	Mrs Imtiaz/Mrs Trifan Marish	School Hall at 8:45am and 2:30pm
Thursday 14/11/24	Phonics	Mrs Imtiaz Willow	School Hall at 2:30pm
Tuesday 19/11/24	Reception Stay and Read session <b>Invite only</b>	EYFS team	In Reception classes

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# Half Term Clubs

#### Dear Parents/Carers,

We will be running a club during the October half term for any children aged 5 and over. The Holiday Club will be open from Monday 21st October to Friday 25th October from 8.30 am-3.45pm. This club will run at Marish School.

The costs are: £25.00 per day per child £35.00 per day for 2 children £45.00 per day for 3 children £55.00 per day for 4 children

Please provide your child with a packed lunch.

The numbers will be limited so please return the slip as soon as possible. It is important that the slip is returned with the days requested as we need to make sure that we have the correct staff – children ratio.

#### Full payment must be paid on ParentPay by Monday 14th October and is nonrefundable.

The children will have lots of activities that they can participate in including cooking, art & craft, dance and fun sports.

If you have any questions, please ring the office number and ask for Mrs Beard.

Yours sincerely *る Beard* Sharon Beard Holiday Club Manager

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# Half Term PE Clubs

#### Dear Parents/Carers,

We are excited to announce that the PE team will be running a Sports Holiday Club during the October half-term for any children aged 5 and over. The club will take place at Marish Primary School and will be open on Monday, 21st October, Tuesday, 22nd October, and then Monday, 28th October, and Tuesday, 29th October, from 8:30 am to 3:45 pm.

The costs are: £25.00 per day per child £35.00 per day for 2 children £45.00 per day for 3 children £55.00 per day for 4 children

Children can come for all four days, single days or whatever combination of dates you would prefer. Please provide your child with a packed lunch. During the day, there will be a combination of outdoor and indoor sporting activities (weather dependent), so please ensure they are suitably dressed for the weather. They will also need a water bottle for the day and a healthy snack.

The children will have a fantastic range of sports and activities to enjoy, including:

- Football
- Basketball
- Rugby
- Dodgeball
- Cricket
- Gymnastics
- Handball

They will also be able to engage in a range of other fun activities, all with a sports focus or theme such as:

- E-games
- Kahoot quizzes
- Bingo
- Soft Play

Numbers will be limited, so please return the slip as soon as possible. It is important that the slip is returned with the days requested so we can ensure the correct staff-to-children ratio.

Full payment must be made via Parent Pay by Thursday 17th October and is non-refundable. If you have any questions, please ring the office number and ask for Mr Alves.

Yours sincerely Victor Aves Sports Club Manager

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# **Healthy Lifestyle**

# Activities to keep fit at home

Exercise: Find Forky Players: 2 or more Where to play? Indoors How to play



- Draw Forky on a piece of paper and get an adult to help you cut him out.
- 2. One player hides Forky while everyone else closes their eyes.



- 3. Open your eyes and hop your way around the room to try to find Forky.
- 4. The player who finds Forky is the winner.
- 5. Everyone celebrates with 10 star jumps. Let the winner take a turn to hide Forky, and play again!

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# **Healthy Lifestyle**

### **CRUNCHY FISH FINGERS WITH WEDGES**

Preparation time - 15 mins Cooking time - 45 mins Makes - 4 Servings

#### Ingredients

- 4 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 4 medium-sized sweet potatoes, scrubbed clean, halved and each half cut into 4 wedges
- 1 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 500g pollock, cod, skinless haddock or similar white fish
- 1 egg
- 100g dried golden breadcrumbs
- 200g frozen peas, or frozen mixed veg



#### Method:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 200C (180C fan, gas mark 6). Put the wedges into a roasting tin and add 2 tablespoons of vegetable oil, tossing to coat. Season with some pepper, and put in the oven to bake for 45 minutes.
- 2. Grease a baking tray with a little of the vegetable oil. Beat the egg in a shallow dish with 3 tablespoons of cold water. Sprinkle the breadcrumbs onto a plate.
- 3. Cut the fish fillets into even-sized "fingers", and season with some pepper. Dip the fish fingers into the egg mixture, then roll them in the breadcrumbs and arrange on the baking tray, leaving some space between them.
- 4. When the potatoes have been in the oven for 25 minutes, turn them over using a spatula. At the same time, put the fish fingers in the oven. Cook for 20 minutes, until crisp and golden brown.
- 5. Put the vegetables on to cook in a small amount of boiling water 5 minutes before the fish and wedges are ready. Drain once cooked, and serve everything together.

https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/homemade-fish-fingers-with-sweet-potato-wedges/

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## **Parent Notices**

#### Timings of the School Day from Octember

#### Soft start is from 8:15am to 8:30am for all year groups except Nursery.

SEN Unit:	Doors open 8:15am to 8:45am and then at 3:00pm
Nursery:	8:00 – 11:00am and 12:00pm – 3:00pm
Nursery full time (Marish)	8:00am – 3:00pm
Reception:	8:30am – 3:15pm
Year 1 and Year 2:	8:30am – 3:15pm
Year 3 and Year 4:	8:30am – 3:25pm
Year 5 and Year 6:	8:30am – 3:25pm

Ensure that you drop your child off at the designated entrance. Do not leave them unsupervised on the school grounds.

#### Fees for Breakfast club and Meerkats

Meerkats	Before 4pm	After 4pm
	£2	£5
Breakfast Club	£1 per day	-
Late collection	£5 per 15 minutes	-

Full time only sessions, £2, parents still need to order and pay for school dinner in addition to this.

If you would like your child to attend Breakfast club or Meerkats you will need to apply for a space. For more information or an application form, enquire at the school office.

Please note, there is a different payment schedule for Pupil Premium/ Free School Meal pupils. Please contact the office before applying.

All pupils must be booked in advance otherwise they will not be allowed to attend. If your child attends Meerkats without a booking you will be charged the late fee. Children must not attend Breakfast Club without a booking as numbers are limited. Please book a week in advance.

You are required to sign your child in to Breakfast Club and out of Meerkats each day.

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### **Parent Notices**

#### **School Uniform**

Our Trust school uniform consists of:

- Red/Green sweatshirt or cardigan (Red for Marish and Green for Willow)
- Navy blue trousers, shorts or skirt
- White shirt or polo shirt
- Black smart shoes (no boots, high heels or platforms)
- Nursery the above with grey or black jogging bottoms
- PE Kit red plain round neck T-shirt, black shorts or jogging bottoms
- A plain black tracksuit to wear over the PE kit for outdoor lessons in cold weather.
  Trainers/plimsolls will work for outside lessons
- Swimming is a part of the Year 4 curriculum and pupils are expected to have appropriate swim wear with a swimming hat



All items of clothing must be clearly labelled with the child's name. The only jewellery allowed is one small stud in each ear, a watch and that which is a specific religious requirement. These must all be removed for PE. The child must take full responsibility for looking after these items. the school will accept no responsibility for their loss or damage.

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# **E-Safety**



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# **E-Safety**



### What Parents & Educators Need to Know about IN-GAME CHAT



Video games are continuing to g – and the emergence of gaming across many different titles. Wh uing to gr cluding, of course, among children and young people en accelerated by the inclusion of chat functionality , lie in-game chat isn't inherently a bad thing, it can create some concerns ety and the people that children might be interacting with.

### DIFFERENT TYPES OF CHAT

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### CONTACT WITH STRANGERS

### DANGER OF GROOMING



#### **BULLYING AND ABUSE**



#### COMPETITIVE ATMOSPHERE

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### Advice for Parents & Educators

#### LOCK-DOWN IN-GAME CHAT

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#### **REPORT POTENTIAL OFFENDERS**

#### Meet Our Expert

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Source:See full reference list on guide page at:nationalcollege.com/guides/in-game-cha

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COMMUNICATION IS KEY

CONSIDER OTHER CHAT OPTIONS

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## **Some Useful Information**

**NEW FOR 2024** 

# CONNECT WORKSHOP Berkshire East

### **INTERACTIVE SUPPORT**

Does your child have: Meltdowns Special interests Anxiety Sensory issues Need of daily routine

### MEET OTHER PARENTS FACING THE SAME ISSUE

#### **FACE TO FACE COURSE**

• Learn strategies to encourage the behaviour you like, routines, and manage challenges.

 Meet other parents going through the same issue. Make friends and support each other.

For parents with children who have a diagnosis of autism or are waiting

#### TIME & PLACE Penn Road Children's Centre

Penn Road, Slough SL2 1PG 9.30am to 11.30am

RSVP & INFO:

01753 572958

office@homestartberkshireeast.org.uk

5 weeks

19th Sept

to

17th Oct

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FREE

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# Concerned about a child's **Berkshire Healthcare** communication skills?

How can I help my child learn more words?

How can I help them listen to me?

How can I help them play with me?

Am I doing this right?

Call our Enquiries Line to get advice from a Speech and Language Therapist:

# 0118 904 3700

Lines are open Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am - 3.30pm. Available for parents/carers of children aged 0-5 years with a Berkshire GP.

**NHS Foundation Trust** 

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### BRAND NEW EXHIBITION

# The Art of Dance From The Indian Subcontinent

# **Opens Saturday 26th October 2024** at Welcome Gallery - Reading Museum

Drawing together artefacts collected by the people of Reading with the Museum's own historic world objects, this small display explores how the local Indian community express themselves through dance. Discover the symbolism of these dances and their importance for religious festivals and occasions.



In partnership with Kala the Arts and generously funded by the Arts Council.

# DIWALI Light It Up 2024



Exciting Parade in Reading Town Centre

#### 9th November 2024 5.00pm

The event is organised by Kala The Arts, a National Dance organisation and partners for Diwali. This is a FREE event for all the family, enjoyable by everyone. Eveyone can take part in a parade which goes from Town Hall Square to Broadway.

Please email office@kalathearts.co.uk if you would like to attend the Parade, and visit the Kala The Arts social media and website **www.kalathearts.co.uk** for updates.









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# **Some Useful Information**



### Help your child with Maths homework on Thursday 17th October Key stage 1 - 9am-11am Key stage 2 - 11.30am-1.30pm

This practical course held at Slough & Langley College is designed for parents of primary aged children to give an overview of how Maths is taught at school. You will receive free resources and visual aids to take away to use with your child. The course will also signpost parents to further resources.

> \*No formal qualification is needed, just a passion to learn and help your child.\*

# Slough & Langley College, Station Road, Langley SL3 8BY

To register: Scan the QR code now to apply! Please email all enquires to multiply@windsorforest.ac.uk or call 01753793416



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#### CAF

You need to complete the Common Application Form (CAF) on the Slough Borough Council (SBC) website or your local council website if you live in another area. On this form you can select up to six secondary schools. If you would like a place with us, it is vital that you place The Langley Academy as one of your first choices to increase the chance of being allocated a place by the SBC.



#### TLA REGISTRATION FORM

You must also complete The Langley Academy registration form which can be found in the Admissions area of our school website.

#### BANDING TEST

All students wishing to be considered for a place at The Langley Academy should sit a banding test to put them into one of nine bands. We have a comprehensive intake so aim to take even numbers from each band which SBC allocates on our behalf. Students currently in TLAP or TLHP will sit the test in the week commencing 18th November 2024 at their primary school. All other students will be invited on for a test on Saturday 16th November 2024 but only if the application forms are fully completed



Curiosity. Exploration. Discovery.

CAF and TLA Registration form MUST be completed by 31st October 2024

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**Some Useful Information** 



Are you a parent/guardian with a child between the ages of 5-11?

We want to learn more about the challenges and difficulties when feeding your children healthy foods during the Cost-of-Living Crisis







# If you are interested in taking part in an interview, please email:

Hannah.froome@brunel.ac.uk

#### £15 voucher for taking part!

This study is being conducted by a doctoral researcher and has been approved by the College of Health, Medicine, and Life Sciences Research Ethics Committee (Brunel Research Ethics Approval: 44814-MHR-Jun/2024-51239-3)

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# **PLAY TOGETHER**



# 28TH - 30TH OCTOBER 2024

Why does play matter?

How has technology changed play?

How do generations play together?

# Enjoy free access to museum objects, games, and hands-on crafts

Join us for a fun-filled exhibition on toys and games, curated by children from The Langley Heritage Primary and local residents! Thanks to National Lottery players. All ages welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

# ST MARY THE VIRGIN CHURCH SL3 7EN MON 28TH: 10-12 TUES 29TH & WED 30TH: 10-2

FIND OUT MORE



www.Tinyurl.com/TheLangleyCommunity



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#### Monday 25th Nov 19:00 - 20:00 FREE

Thursday 7th Nov 19:00 - 21:00 £24



#### A range of steps that can help to reduce the crippling impact of depression. Supporting a Child with ADHD

Newsletter

**FREE SESSION** 

**Decreasing Depression** 

November 2024

Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.

### Anxiety-Based School Avoidance

Understanding and supporting children who are anxious about school. Steps you can take to help them back into the classroom.

#### Understanding Anger: Yours and Theirs!

What is anger? Why do we have it? How do we manage it in ourselves and in our children?

#### Supporting Healthy Screen Use

Clarifying the difference between healthy screen use and unhealthy screen use. Addressing concerns about blue light and sedentary behaviour.

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Tuesday 12th Nov 19:00 - 21:00 £24



Monday 18th Nov 19:00 - 21:00 £24



Thursday 21st Nov 19:00 - 21:00 £24



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# OCT/NOV TIMETABLE

Talks are delivered online via zoom 7pm to 9pm £24 each Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

FREE SESSIONS Introduction to Facing Defiance Decreasing Depression	24 OCT 25 NOV		
Anxiety Explained	17 OCT		
Understanding Anger	21 OCT		
Autism: Improving Communication	28 OCT		
Introduction to OCD	29 OCT		
Improving Family Communication	4 NOV		
Anxiety-Based School Avoidance	12 NOV		
Anxiety Explained	14 NOV		
Understanding Anger	18 NOV		
Drug Awareness for Parents	19 NOV		
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	21 NOV		
What is ACT?	26 NOV		
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	28 NOV		
Understanding the Teenage Brain	2 DEC		
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