



NEWSLETTER

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What's On 7-11 July

Date	What's On	PE	Music Lessons	Clubs
Monday 7 July		Robins and Herons Tag Rugby	Ms Bloch flute lessons	3:30—4:30pm Mix it Up Monday After School Club
Tuesday 8 July	MOVING UP DAY. CHILDREN IN THEIR NEW CLASSES FOR THE DAY. Reception Transition full day 9:00—3:30pm	Year 1, Kingfishers and Herons Tag Rugby		
Wednesday 9 July	LPS Awards Evening moved to Leavers Assembly on Tuesday 22 July	Kingfishers PE		12:45 - 1:15pm Recorder Club Yrs 2-6 with Mrs Gilpin-Perkins 3:30—4:30pm Tag Rugby Club with Mr Yendell
Thursday 10 July	Herons to Library Kingfishers Forest School Afternoon		Mrs Craddock Keyboard & violin lessons Mr White drum lessons	12:45—1:15pm Lego Club Yrs R-6 with Mr Skinner
Friday 11 July	LPS Writing Festival 5:15pm Lapford Revel Procession and Crowning			12:45—1:15pm Homework Club Yrs 2-6 with Mrs Cookson

What's On 14-18 July

Date	What's On	PE	Music Lessons	Clubs
Monday 14 July	1:15pm Tag Rugby Festival at LPS	Robins and Herons Tag Rugby	Ms Bloch flute lessons	3:30—4:30pm Mix it Up Monday After School Club
Tuesday 15 July	Herons STEM Fair at school	Year 1, Kingfishers and Herons Tag Rugby		
Wednesday 16 July	2:00pm Key Stage 2 Play	Kingfishers PE		12:45 - 1:15pm Recorder Club Yrs 2-6 with Mrs Gilpin-Perkins 3:30—4:30pm Tag Rugby Club with Mr Yendell
Thursday 17 July	Robins Forest School Afternoon 6:00pm Key Stage 2 Play		Mrs Craddock Keyboard & violin lessons Mr White drum lessons	12:45—1:15pm Lego Club Yrs R-6 with Mr Skinner
Friday 18 July	Year 6 Self-Belief Workshop			12:45—1:15pm Homework Club Yrs 2-6 with Mrs Cookson

Mix it Up Monday After School Club

2nd June to 14th July



Our Monday After School Club with Plymouth Argyle is can be booked online through to 14th July. Please click [HERE](#) to book your child's place.

Dear Parent(s)/ Carer(s),

Firstly, a huge thank you to everybody who brought in donations for our duck race raffles on Friday. FLS will be collecting these and making up the barrow of booze and chest of chocolate and raffle tickets will go on sale later this week. Thank you also to everybody who has sold or returned tickets for the duck race. We would be grateful for these as soon as possible so that we can redistribute any unsold tickets.



As we move towards the end of term, the school is a hive of activity and Key Stage 2 are ramping up the rehearsals for their end of year production, Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies! I am trying to avoid hearing and seeing too much of the production as I want to be wowed on the day of the performance, however on the odd occasion that I have been in the hall during rehearsals, I have been absolutely blown away by the quality of the acting and the enthusiasm the children have shown towards their singing and dancing. It's set to be a fantastic show and I hope you will be able to join us on Wednesday 16th July at 2:00pm or Thursday 17th July at 6:00pm. You are in for a treat.

Last Thursday, Herons class had their final Forest School session of the year and instead of basing themselves in our woodland, they wandered down to the river at Eastington Hill to test out the rafts they had built in a previous session. It was a really fun session and I am pleased to say that all the rafts successfully floated and moved down the stream, although not all travelled particularly quickly!



On Friday, Herons also completed their Seasonal Foods DT project. Over the past term they have been finding out about seasonal ingredients and why it is important to eat locally sourced foods and designing a seasonal meal. On Friday the final two groups whipped up their meals for the rest of the class to taste and evaluate and they were very well received.

We definitely have some budding young chefs amongst us!



Also on Friday and also in Herons, we were joined by Terry Lucking (Rosie's Grandad) who spoke to the children about his long career with the BBC as a sound engineer. He shared funny stories and impressed us all with some 'A lister' name drops! Best of all, though, he explained how his career had changed over time with a particular focus on how technological advancements had impacted his work. It was a fascinating finale to our Leisure and Entertainment History unit.

Have a wonderful week.

Mrs Wright



Herons Spotlight

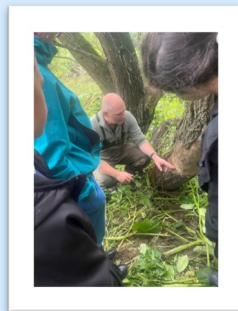


We've had a brilliant couple of weeks back in Lapford after the Year 6 Residential and Year 5 Taster Day!



After a rest over the weekend, we returned to school briefly on Monday before heading out again on Tuesday for a superb trip to the local river in Coleridge. Herons worked alongside members of the Taw Fishing club to learn more about our local wildlife and what we can do to help protect our rivers.

We discussed the importance of the local ecosystem with a brilliant hands on bug identifier activity using real insects caught from the river and then set off along the river bank to find examples of different habitats.



The highlight of the trip, however, had to be finding the fresh teeth marks of the beavers who have been spotted living along the river! Herons could see where the beaver had been gnawing on a willow tree (their favourite snack!) to shorten their teeth and the runs they make as they drag the branches around!



To round the session up, we then enjoyed a go at fly fishing using the different rods and understanding the maths/physics of getting the best catch. Herons behaved brilliantly (despite the drizzle!) and we'd like to say a huge thanks to the Taw Fishing club for their great workshop and support in bringing our local area to life.





Herons Spotlight



Herons have also been performing left, right and centre (or should that be stage left, stage right and centre stage!?) in a wonderful music concert on Thursday and across the weeks in the lead up to performing our end year play: Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies! In each performance, it has been so wonderful to see the children singing so clearly, helping each other out with lines and actions and overall just enjoying putting their talents to the test!

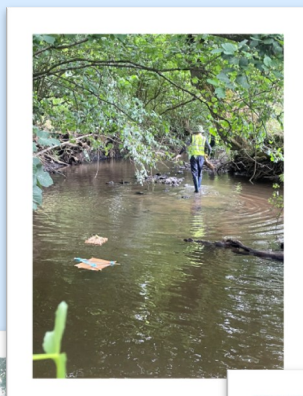


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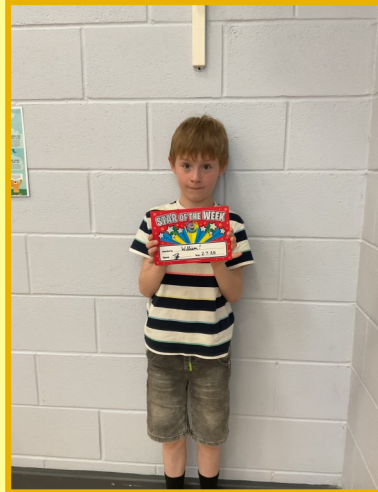
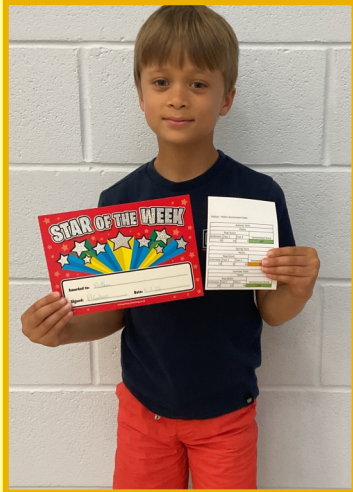
Kingfishers have also been superb working alongside Herons and we can't wait to show you the full performance! Watch this space and get ready for a great show!

Finally, in Forest school, Herons created some excellent rafts which we then launched on their maiden voyages in the local river! The rafts were made using natural materials and the Forest School skills we've learnt (with a little help from a glue gun here and there!) and I must say I was very impressed with how the children helped one another and used their skills to achieve some great rafts. Now if they can just start working on a luxury cruise ship for the teachers this summer that would be fab!





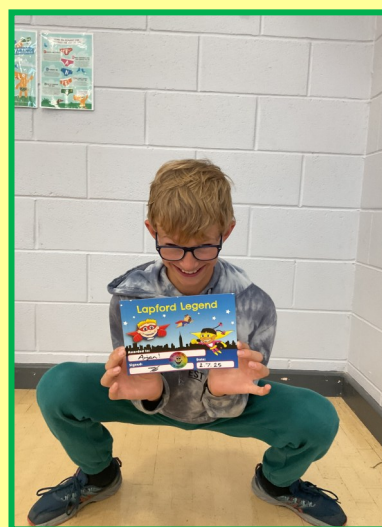
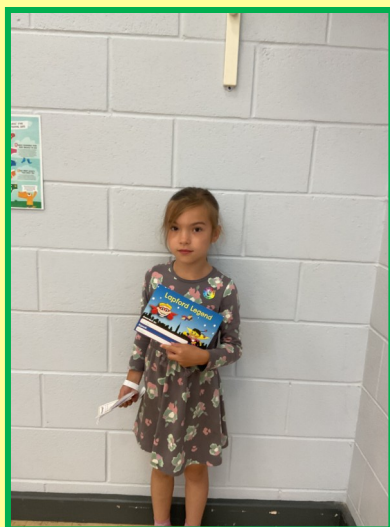
Stars of the Week - 4th July



Congratulations to Nathan, William and Rose!



Lapford Legends - 4th July



Congratulations to Eileidgh and Arjan!

HELP YOUR SCHOOL RECEIVE EXTRA FUNDING

**Plus £30 TOP-UP FOR SUCCESSFUL
NEW APPLICANTS!**

ARE YOU IN RECEIPT OF ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS?

If you are, please apply online for **FREE SCHOOL MEALS**.

IT ONLY TAKES A MINUTE TO APPLY, but your school may receive **EXTRA FUNDING**. Successful **NEW** applications made between **01.07.25** and **01.10.25** will receive a £30 MyEd+Pay account top-up.

ELIGIBLE BENEFITS:

- Universal Credit
- Income-based and contribution-based JSA or ESA on an equal basis
- Income Support (IS)
- Income based jobseekers allowance (IBJSA)
- Income-related employment and support allowance (IRESA)
- Child Tax Credit
- Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

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[CCSCitizenPortal LIVE](#)

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0345 155 1019

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY IS A **CURRENT** OR **PAST** MEMBER OF **THE ARMED FORCES**

Your school can receive **EXTRA FUNDING** if a parent has served any time in the last 6 years, or is in receipt of pensions under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme (AFCS) and the War Pensions Scheme (WPS)

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU HAVE AN **ADOPTED CHILD**, A **RESIDENCE ORDER**, OR A **SPECIAL GUARDIANSHIP ORDER**

Your school can receive **EXTRA FUNDING**.

*If you have any queries, please speak to
the admin staff at your school.
Any information shared will be treated
confidentially.*



Friends of Lapford School

WIN A BARROW OF BOOZE!

£2 A TICKET OR 3 FOR £5

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT LAPFORD REVEL, THE OLD MALT SCOOP, SCHOOL DROP OFF AND PICK UP AND VIA STACEY - 0789 1556884

DONATIONS APPRECIATED, THESE TO BE DROPPED TO LAPFORD SCHOOL OR TO STACEY

KIDS GOODIES BARROW UP FOR GRABS TOO - £1 A TICKET



YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

- 1 JOIN OUR LOTTERY 
- 2 BOOST SCHOOL FUNDS 
- 3 WIN CASH PRIZES 

It's As Easy As



- Join our weekly lottery from just £1 a week
- It's an easy way to support our school and help raise funds
- 40% of ticket sales go straight to our school funds
- There's a guaranteed winner every week as well as the chance to win £25,000

[Buy a Ticket](#)

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older.



Friends of Lapford School presents our 1st

DUCK RACE

Saturday 19th July
4pm-6pm

A377 just past Lapford station there will be signs
what3word location
[///cactus.spot.customers](http://cactus.spot.customers)

BBQ * Stalls * Games * Raffle
CASH ONLY

CHULMLEIGH ACADEMY TRUST

School Terms and Holiday Dates - 2025/2026 Academic Year

	September					October					November					December					January					February					
College Week	1	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	2		1	2	1	2		1	2	1			1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2			
Monday	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	2	9	16	23	
Tuesday	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	3	10	17	24	
Wednesday	3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	4	11	18	25
Thursday	4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	5	12	19	26
Friday	5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	6	13	20	27

	March					April					May					June					July					August												
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Bank Holidays ■

25 December 2025
 26 December 2025
 01 January 2026
 03 April 2026 (Good Friday)
 06 April 2026 (Easter Monday)
 04 May 2026 (May Day)
 25 May 2026 (Spring Bank Holiday)
 24 August 2026 (Summer Bank Holiday)

Non-Pupil Days ■

Five days selected from within the term dates to be determined by the Board of Directors


School Holidays ■

Occasional Holidays ■

Two days selected from within the term dates to be determined by the Board of Directors



FRESH FRUIT & YOGHURT SERVED DAILY



SUMMER MENU

Week 1

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pick a MAIN	Breakfast Brunch with Bacon, Sausage, Hash Brown and Beans	Lasagne with Garlic Bread and garden Peas	Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots and Cabbage	Hunters Chicken with New Potatoes and Peas	Fish Finger Sandwich with Roasted New Potatoes and Garden Peas
Pick a MEAT-FREE MAIN	Quorn Sausage with Hash Brown, Beans & Tomatoes	Vegetable Soft Shell Taco with New potatoes & Garden Peas	Broccoli and Sweet Potato Bake, with Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots and Cabbage	Cheese and Onion Quiche with New Potatoes and Peas	Veggie Finger Sandwich with Roasted New Potatoes and Peas
Pick a JACKET POTATO	Cheese, Beans, Tuna	Cheese, Beans, Tuna	Cheese, Beans, Tuna	Cheese, Beans, Tuna	Cheese, Beans, Tuna
Pick a SANDWICH	Cheese or Ham	Cheese or Ham	Cheese or Ham	Cheese or Ham	Cheese or Ham
Pick a DESSERT	Fruit Platter Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Carrot and Courgette Chocolate Brownie Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Jelly with Fruit Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Banana Cake Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Oaty Cookie Yogurt Fresh Fruit

We are pleased to offer a variety of allergen free options on our food menu. Although all food is prepared in a kitchen that handles most allergens and therefore we cannot guarantee that cross contamination will never occur, we do take every possible precaution to prevent this from happening.





	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pick a MAIN	Beef Chilli with Rice & Nachos	Chipolata Sausages with Mash, Gravy, Carrots and Peas	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots and Cabbage	Cottage Pie with Swede, Green Beans & Gravy	Breaded Fish with Roasted New Potatoes and Beans
Pick a MEAT-FREE MAIN	Vegetarian 5 Bean Chilli with Rice & Nachos	Vegetarian Sausage with Mash, Carrots, Peas & Gravy	Vegetable Hot Pot, with Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Cabbage	Vegetarian Cottage Pie with Swede, Green Beans & Gravy	Vegetable Fajita with Roasted New Potatoes and Beans
Pick a JACKET POTATO	Cheese, Beans, Tuna	Cheese, Beans, Tuna	Cheese, Beans, Tuna	Cheese, Beans, Tuna	Cheese, Beans, Tuna
Pick a SANDWICH	Cheese or Ham	Cheese or Ham	Cheese or Ham	Cheese or Ham	Cheese or Ham
Pick a DESSERT	Iced Sponge	Vanilla Ice Cream	Strawberry Mousse	Chocolate Krispie Cake	Apple Cake
	Yogurt	Yogurt	Yogurt	Yogurt	Yogurt
	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit

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Pick a MAIN	Meatballs and Tomato Sauce with Pasta, Sweetcorn & Garlic Bread	Sweet and Sour Chicken Balls with Rice & Sweetcorn	Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots & Cabbage	Breaded Chicken Burger with Wedges and Peas	Fish Fingers or Salmon Bites with Diced Potatoes & Beans
Pick a MEAT-FREE MAIN	Macaroni Cheese with Sweetcorn & Garlic Bread	Sweet and Sour No Chicken Nuggets with Rice & Sweetcorn	Broccoli and Cheddar Quiche with Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Cabbage	Vegetarian Burger with Wedges & Peas	Vegetable and Potato Frittata with Diced Potatoes & Beans
Pick a JACKET POTATO	Cheese, Beans, Tuna	Cheese, Beans, Tuna	Cheese, Beans, Tuna	Cheese, Beans, Tuna	Cheese, Beans, Tuna
Pick a SANDWICH	Cheese or Ham	Cheese or Ham	Cheese or Ham	Cheese or Ham	Cheese or Ham
Pick a DESSERT	Pineapple Cake	Mini Donut & Ice Cream	Jelly and Fruit	Flapjack	Apple & Raspberry Cake
	Yogurt	Yogurt	Yogurt	Yogurt	Yogurt
	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit

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