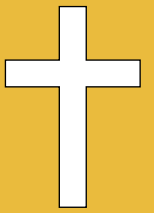




22nd May 2026

# Lockerley Church of England Primary School



Love in our hearts, Courage in our learning  
and Respect for each other



Another brilliant half term comes to an end at Lockerley C of E, and what an exciting half term it has been! Firstly, can I say a huge thank you for the very warm welcome you have all afforded me over these last few months; it has been a real privilege spending time at this lovely school. The staff, children, parents, and wider community have been a great support and it has been so lovely meeting you all.

This half term has been full of so many different endeavours, but a special mention must go to the brilliant children in Year 6, who navigated their SATs exams with courage, kindness and empathy. Mrs LT, Miss Kimber and Mrs Cavill did a superb job of leading them through a very busy week. The children were a credit to themselves, their families and the whole school community.

Amongst this, we have had trips to Bentley Wood, field days, production auditions, wonderful Worships, Ofsted reports and so much more! A particular highlight for me was visiting the church for the first time for Skippers and Admirals church service; wow! The children did a brilliant job and the singing was just excellent. We are also really excited to be trialling a new approach to PE after half term too, with Activ8 Minds helping to lead our PE and play provision.

Finally, I would just like to say a huge thank you again to the children and staff who have been a tremendous help in supporting me to settle in. I look forward to seeing you all again after half term, for a fun filled Summer 2. Have a wonderful half term with your families.

Mr O'Brien, Interim Headteacher



Michael 10

Charlie 8

## Weekly Certificates awarded for Courage

to:

Evelyn

Max

Lilly

Hugo

## Happy Holiday Birthdays

Evelyn A 5

Sophie 7

Hugo 11

Lila 6

Joseph 5

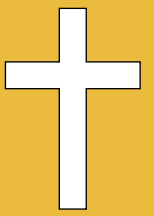
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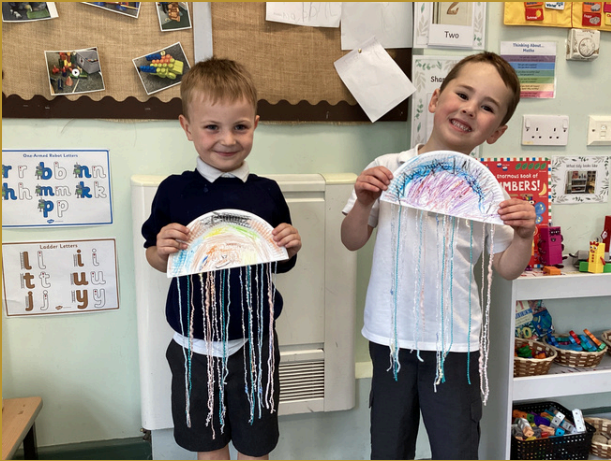
For more information on what the children have been learning in each class, please go to our class pages on the [website](#) or use the QR code

# Life at Lockerley



## Skippers Class

Skippers Class have enjoyed exploring 'Commotion in the Ocean' this half-term. We have learnt about different sea creatures and shared stories all about the underwater world. We have had great fun using our craft skills to make our own colourful jellyfish and sparkly rainbow fish. They look amazing and showcase our wonderful creativity!



## Admirals Class

Admirals have enjoyed their topic called 'Commotion in the Ocean'. They have written some fantastic under the sea stories. They have enjoyed weaving pictures of rainbow fish and have also created some amazing paintings and models of underwater scenes. Some of them even had moving parts! In Maths, they have been learning about counting in steps of two, five or ten. They have begun to think about multiplication and division. They have used their knowledge of coins to set up shops during their discovery time.



### Swallowtails Class

In Swallowtails Class we have been learning about Africa. We learned about the traditional story of 'Anansi', and wrote our own myths. We have also been learning about the different countries in Africa and how varied traditions compare to those in the UK. This inspired our Art sculptures of African animals - we all chose a different animal and had to carefully think about how to sculpt them out of clay. We have also enjoyed learning about plants in Science, and this led us to explore the different trees and plants at Bentley Wood.



### Walk to School Week

The JRSOs gave a presentation during Celebration Assembly to launch this event and encouraging everyone to walk, cycle, park and stride or do laps of the playground. The class with the most children taking part throughout the week will earn themselves an extra 10 minutes playtime!

Thanks for joining in - Florence, George, Jacob & Molly.



### Emperors Class

Emperors class have been so busy this half-term. We have continued to investigate 'Force' in our Science unit, using simple mechanisms. Our History and English learning overlapped; using Street Child as our text driver to then delve into Victorian Britain. The children all experienced a Victorian School Day, including: penmanship, embroidery, watercolours of meadow flowers, Victorian toys and of course punishment! The children of Year 6 worked incredibly hard before and during SATs and we are so proud of them. Year 5 children supported their peers during this time and we thanked them for their patience during the week. As a reward, all children visited Bentley Woods to pond dip and build dens.



### Safeguarding—Keeping Children Safe

If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact school and ask for one of our Designated Safeguarding Leaders:

Mr O'Brien is our Lead DSL, Mrs Clark is our deputy DSL. All of our staff have had

their refresher training and updates at the beginning of term and we will continue to ensure that they are updated throughout the year. Our newly revised safeguarding and child protection policies can be found on our website at the following link.

<https://www.lockerleyprimary.co.uk/child-protection-procedures/>



### Update from the School Librarians

The children have made a great start to the Summer Book Bingo. We have particularly enjoyed seeing the pictures of the children reading in interesting places. Remember, if help is needed to find books to complete Book Bingo, the librarians are always happy to help - Elsie, Olivia, Ava and Emily



### Thought for the Week

**Peter was a good fisherman, he saw Jesus do miracles and when Jesus said 'Follow me', he did! Christians also follow Jesus and it changes their lives. This week, we can pray: Dear God, thank you that Peter had friends to call on when he needed help with all those fish. Thank you, too, that Jesus needed friends like Peter to help him tell people all about you. Please help each of us to be a good friend. Amen**



Our whole school celebrated the 100th birthday of Sir David Attenborough by working together to create some giant artwork! We used school uniform, natural resources, and PE equipment, to send a BIG Happy Birthday message! Thank you to Mr Tatlock for taking the amazing photos with his drone; these were even featured in the Hampshire Chronicle!

We are excited to announce that our Key Stage 2 production this year will be 'Grimm: Once Upon A Musical', inspired by the Brothers' Grimm fairy tales!



Performances will be:  
1pm - Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July  
6pm - Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July  
5pm - Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July



Well done to Skippers and Admirals classes for working together to share a lovely Church Service, telling us all about Pentecost. Your singing of 'This Little Light of Mine' was particularly fantastic, and you all spoke so confidently and clearly.



## Cluster Events

This half term we sent a team from Emperors to the boys Cluster Football re-match competition at Danebury School. A group from Admirals Class also participated in a Tri - Golf festival at Broughton School. Both teams showed great determination and resilience with the various challenges that were set up for them.

We also hosted the final of the Oracy Cup competition for the cluster schools. It was a privilege to hear the children speak so eloquently about their chosen topics. We are proud to say that, as always, the children were a credit to the school and showed our school values.



### PE Timetable (from after half term):

#### Monday

Year R – Athletics (Multi-Skills)

Years 1 & 2 – Athletics (Games)

Years 3 & 4 – Athletics

Years 5 & 6 – Athletics

#### Wednesday

Year R – Ball Skills

Years 1 & 2 – Gymnastics

Years 3 & 4 – Football

Years 5 & 6 – Rounders

**After half term we will ask children to come to school in their PE kit on their allocated PE days.**

#### Church Services 2025-26

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - Leavers' Service

#### 2026/27

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October - Harvest/Emperors

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February - Skippers/Admirals

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March - Easter

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May - Swallowtails

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July - End of Term/Leavers

#### INSET Days 2025/26

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July

#### 2026/27

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July