

Lockyer's Middle School

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Headteacher Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

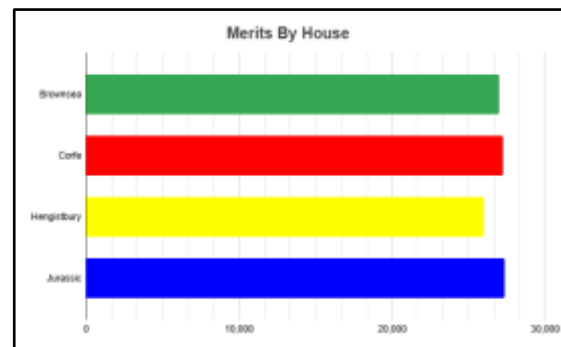
SATs Week

A huge well done to all of our Year 6 pupils for their exceptional effort during last week's KS2 SATs! They tackled the challenging papers with maturity, a true reflection of their hard work and learning journey since Year 3. Our sincere thanks also go to the staff and parents whose support played a vital role in the week's success. We will share individual SATs results with parents by the end of the summer term, once the external marking process is complete.

House Points

The competition is fiercer than ever in our House Points championship! Jurassic House is clinging onto the number one spot with an incredible 27,372 points since September. However, it is anyone's game! Corfe House is charging behind them, sitting just 138 merits away from taking the lead! Well done to everyone who has contributed so well to these totals.

Much of this fantastic enthusiasm is down to our popular Prize Shop. Students are regularly updated at school on what rewards are up for grabs and how to claim them. Please encourage your child to spend their hard-earned merits before the term ends! Finally, we want to say a huge thank you to the Friends of Lockyer's. Their support and funding keeps the shop stocked and our students incredibly motivated to do their best.



Staffing Update

At the end of this academic year, we will be saying goodbye to Miss Swan. She is a fabulous teacher who has been dedicated to the children of Lockyer's Middle School and we wish her the very best of luck as she moves on to Moordown St John's School.

We will also be bidding farewell to Mrs Percy. Since joining Lockyer's in September 2023, Mrs Percy has made a lasting impression as both a classroom teacher and Head of Year. On behalf of the entire school community, I would like to thank her for her passion and commitment, and we wish her every success as she begins her journey as a private tutor.

Looking ahead to September, we are delighted to announce that following a rigorous recruitment process, we have appointed two new members of staff. Miss Hassell will join us as a Year 6 class teacher and take on the role of Head of 6, while Miss Hough will be joining the team as a Year 5 teacher.

Wishing you all a wonderful half term break. I hope you are able to take advantage of the lovely weather ahead and I look forward to welcoming our students back on Monday 1st June for an action packed Summer 2!

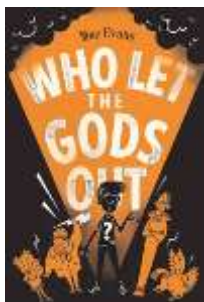
Best wishes,

A. Dufek, Headteacher



What's been happening at Lockyer's?

Year 5



This half term, Year 5 have thoroughly enjoyed exploring a range of exciting new topics. In Science, they have begun learning about living things and particularly enjoyed carrying out an investigation to discover whether seeds with different wing lengths travel further, helping with seed dispersal. In RE, we have been studying Hinduism, with pupils gaining a deeper understanding of Hindu beliefs and the ways in which Hindus celebrate their faith. In English, we have started reading the novel *Who Let the Gods Out* and have already written some wonderfully persuasive letters to *Easy Dosh*, encouraging them to support Elliot and his mum, Josie, during their financial difficulties. We are now researching different Greek gods in preparation for writing non-chronological reports after half term. A reminder that we have an exciting visit from Maz Evans, author of *Who Let the Gods Out*, on Wednesday 10th June and if your child would like one of her books signed, it must come into school that morning with their name on it.

We look forward to an exciting final half term of Year 5.

Year 6



SAT's Week - Year 6 children worked incredibly hard during SATs week so enjoyed an off-timetable day on Friday. They spent the morning playing games at the Recreation ground and an afternoon of games, music and sports followed by delicious ice lollies.



Year 7



The Merck team were in this half term to teach the Year 7s about chemiluminescence. The children were thrilled with their glow-in-the-dark solutions. The team were really impressed that the children understood the signs of a chemical reaction. It is wonderful for the children to meet and learn from scientists who work in the biochemical industry. They also learned about other job opportunities using scientific skills.

Next half-term, the team will be back to work with Year 6 on electric circuits and Year 5 on water filtration.



During Food Technology Lessons this half term, our Year 7's have been baking delicious bread items and scones. We think you'll agree they have done a brilliant job.



Year 8



This half term, our Year 8's have been working on their incredible still life paintings with Miss Patino. The standard of work has been outstanding (as you can see from the examples here). We are so proud of how dedicated our students have been during their art lessons and we look forward to showcasing their work, along with all year groups, at our upcoming Art Exhibition on the 19th and 20th June.



Year 8's this half term made pasta using pasta machines and had great fun making the pasta dough and working in pairs to roll out the pasta using the machines.

Colour Run



This half term, our wonderful Friends of Lockyer's organised the first ever Colour Run here at Lockyer's. It was a brilliant afternoon, with so many of our students (and staff!) taking part; so many different colours thrown, so many ice creams consumed! They raised a wonderful £300, which will go in to the school's new minibus fund.

We would like to thank Friends of Lockyer's for organising such a brilliant event. Their next event is the Summer Fair, taking place on Thursday 9th July.

Schools' Triathlon at Bryanston School



A couple of weeks ago, some of our incredible students took part in the Schools Triathlon at Bryanston School. This was in aid of Restless Development, which is a global non-governmental organisation and charity dedicated to youth-led development and civic participation.

The participants ran, swam and cycled their way around the course, raising vital funds and having a brilliant time in doing so.

Well done to each and every student who took part. What an outstanding achievement.



Key Stage 2 Girls Football



Our Key Stage 2 girls played Oakdale Junior School in the U11s county cup final at Dorset County Ground.

The opposition were strong and it was a hard fought game. In the end, our girls came Runners Up. The girls played brilliantly and fought to the very end.

We are all looking forward to the season starting again next year and hoping to get to the finals again!

Well done girls! You are an inspiration!

Merit Prizes

Spaces are filling up for our Merit Prizes. Please encourage your child to carry on exhibiting great behaviours and earning those points! We still have space available on these merit rewards after half term; golf driving range, bouncy castle assault course, KS3 dodgeball, non uniform raffle and Amazon voucher raffle.

Keep up-to-date with your child's merit total on the Arbor app!



Dates for your Diary

Monday 1st June -	Students Back to School
Wednesday 3rd - Friday 5th June -	Year 8 Residential
Wednesday 3rd June -	Year 6 Residential Parents and Carers Meeting - 6pm
Monday 8th June -	Year 8 Leavers and All-Class Photographs
Wednesday 10th June -	Maz Evans visit Year 5
Saturday 13th June -	Corfe Mullen Carnival
Wednesday 17th June -	New Year 5 Welcome Walkabout - 4pm-5.30pm
Friday 19th June -	Art Exhibition 3.30-5.30pm
Saturday 20th June -	Art Exhibition 9.30-11.30am
Wednesday 24th June -	New Year 5 Parent Information Evening - 5pm
Thursday 25th June -	Year 5 Play in a Day - Saxons V Vikings
Friday 26th June -	Transfer Day
Monday 29th June - Friday 3rd July -	Year 6 Residentials
Wednesday 8th July -	Sports Day
Thursday 9th July -	Summer Fayre - by Friends of Lockyer's - 3.30pm-5.30pm
Friday 10th July -	Year 8 Trip to Bournemouth University
Wednesday 22nd July -	Last Day of the Summer Term

For a full list of term dates for 2025/2026 click [here](#)

Kit Shop

Don't forget, students are able to purchase stationery equipment from our Kit Shop.

PLEASE NOTE: YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BUY FROM OUR KIT SHOP; WE ACTIVELY ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO HAVE EVERYTHING THEY NEED WHEN THEY ARRIVE AT SCHOOL EVERY DAY.

Children should take ownership of their belongings. We ask that you regularly check to ensure that they have everything they need for every school day.

Personal Labelling/ Lost Property

Please could we once again stress the importance of labelling every item of clothing, lunchboxes, water bottles and any other items that are potentially going to get lost. The amount of unlabelled lost property in school is extremely high and it is important that children take responsibility for their belongings.

Lockyer's Kit Shop Price List	
Blue Handwriting Pen	50p
Pink, Green or Purple Pen	20p each
Eraser	30p
Whiteboard Pen	50p
Pencil	30p
Gluestick	£1
30cm Ruler	50p
CASH ONLY PLEASE	



Medical Appointments During the School Day

To help us keep our attendance records accurate, please remember to share a screenshot or photo of your child's appointment confirmation (text, email, or letter) whenever they need to miss school for medical or dental care.

School Dinners - Cut-Off Dates



Deadline to place order

Sunday 24th May 2026
Sunday 31st May 2026
Sunday 7th June 2026
Sunday 14th June 2026
Sunday 21st June 2026
Sunday 28th June 2026
Sunday 5th July 2026

For Week Commencing

Monday 8th June 2026
Monday 15th June 2026
Monday 22nd June 2026
Monday 29th June 2026
Monday 6th July 2026
Monday 13th July 2026
Monday 20th July 2026

Click [here](#) for the Spring/ Summer Menu

Achievement Badges



All children at Lockyer's Middle School can work towards becoming a Maths Master or Millionaire Reader.



To be a **Maths Master** you need to have achieved 10,000 XP on the Sparx Maths platform, "Read through the Rainbow" and collect certificates for every 3 successful book quizzes. To be a **Millionaire Reader** you need to have collected a million words from successfully-completed quizzes.

How many badges can you collect this academic year?

Social Media

Please follow us on



Facebook Lockyers Middle School
X (Formerly Twitter) @Lockyers_Middle

We aim to provide regular updates.

You can also use our **school website to learn more about our school**. Visit <https://www.lockyersmiddle.org>

Extra-Curricular Achievements

Congratulations to Finlay, Sophie, Luke, Harrison, Toby, Zach, Harley, Hayden, Amber, Mia, Ella, Elodie, Evie, Jazz, Izzie and Leah for their outstanding extra-curricular achievements this half term.

We look forward to sharing more with you in the final newsletter of the year!



Coming up this half term....

Art Exhibition 2026

We are very excited that once again we will be holding our Art Exhibition, showcasing work by ALL of our brilliant students!

Please come down and take a look at what has been created throughout this academic year.

ART EXHIBITION



**JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE WORK CREATED BY
ALL OF OUR WONDERFULLY TALENTED STUDENTS.**

ITEMS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE ART
DEPARTMENT

(CASH AND CARD PAYMENTS AVAILABLE)

**FRIDAY 19TH JUNE 2.30PM-5.30PM
SATURDAY 20TH JUNE 9.30AM-11.30AM**

SPORTS HALL @ LOCKYER'S MIDDLE SCHOOL



The Great Lockyer's Bake Off 2026

Lockyer's Middle School



This year's theme is 'Celebration' could include any of the following ideas:
Birthday cake,
wedding cake,
Anniversary cake,
Gender reveal cake,
Cake to celebrate Lockyer's middle school – 320 years etc

Please collect a letter from Mrs Siallagan to enter the 'Bake off' competition. Bake and create a 'Celebration cake' at home and send in a photo of your cake entry by Tuesday 2nd June 2026. Actual date for the final to be confirmed – 8 pupils will be chosen to recreate and make their cakes in school.

Summer Fayre 2026



Summer Jam

Join the Rock Band
8-14 year olds

Be part of
the band!

JOIN THE
ROCK BAND!



Summer Jam

11th - 13th August 2026 10am - 3pm

Early BIRD price
£150
until 31st May,
then £160

Learn to play as part of a band
Expert mentorship from Sam Churches
music lessons, not suitable for beginners
Guitar, drums, bass, piano, vocals all wanted



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To register for a place
please scan code and
complete the short form or
contact us



Have a wonderful Half Term Break! See you back here on
Monday 1st June

