

Loxley Primary School



Extra-Curricular Activities

Spring 1 2024

Loxley Primary School Spring 1 Extra Curricular Offer

We aim for all our learners at Loxley to have additional opportunities outside of normal school lesson time to develop themselves as individuals. With this in mind, we are continuing our new extra-curricular package in the second half of the autumn term. We hope to encourage and nurture pupils in trying new things and improving already existing skill sets.

Our programme aims to be inclusive, varied and enjoyable for our learners, with most after school clubs being available to sign up for in half termly blocks. Some of these clubs will be ongoing throughout the year, with others being seasonal and available for specific timeframes. Each of the activities has been thought about and selected with specific reason to help benefit our learners through either response to their suggestions, or what we feel will benefit them in the longer term having identified a need or purpose to them. All extra-curricular activities are grouped into three strands of clubs that pupils can later record on their school *Personal Development Portfolio*: orange for arts-based clubs (including music), blue for skills-based, and green for physical or sporting activities. We endeavour to provide an option for each of these for each year group in each term. The *Personal Development Portfolio* will follow pupils throughout their time in Loxley and show how they have participated and grown as individuals throughout their time with us. Each activity will hopefully provide spaces for a minimum of twelve children, and in certain cases with two or more staff present (such as Netball) then numbers can be up to twenty.

Normally (unless indicated otherwise), lunchtime clubs incur no charge and extra-curricular activities after school cost £3.00 per child per session. Extra-curricular activities run from the end of the school day – children attending these activities will be taken to the relevant club leader if needed, or directed there in the case of older children – until 4.30pm when they need to be collected from the school's main entrance by a recognised adult as would be the case on any normal day. Any children attending Loxley After School Club following an extra-curricular activity will be collected by LASC staff. If a child is to be collected by a different parent or adult than expected, school must be contacted as would be the case on any other normal school day. **Next half term after school clubs will run from the week beginning Monday 15th January to the week ending Friday 9th February.**

Parents are able to sign their children up to after school Extra Curricular activities via the school's sQuid portal – similarly to the past – at the start of each half term, with payment required in advance for a block attendance at a club. Unfortunately, refunds cannot be offered if a child does not attend unless the club has to be cancelled due to staff illness, inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances. In these cases, school will contact all parents of activity attendees as soon as possible to inform them.

We hope you share in our excitement at being able to offer an enhanced range of clubs, activities and learning opportunities outside of the normal learning environment and welcome your views for activities in the future.

Spring half term 1 2024

Skills Arts Sports

Clubs will run from the week Monday 15th January until Friday 9th February (4 sessions).

	Before School	Lunchtime clubs	After school clubs						
			Reception Willow	Year 1 Hazel	Year 2 Oak	Year 3 Holly	Year 4 Sycamores	Year 5 Birch	Year 6 Rowan
Monday	Early Risers - Mrs Wilkinson (Y1)	Sports Leaders (Rec – Y5) Healthy Minds (Rec – Y5)		Arts and Crafts Club Mrs Torrington				Crotchet Club Mrs Smith	Reading Booster Mrs Taylor
Tuesday	Early Risers - Mrs Wilkinson (Y1) Staff meeting after school	Sports Leaders (Rec – Y5) The Hut – Mrs Torrington (varying year groups) Recorders – Mrs Doherty (Y3 – 6)*	Multi Skills Mr Nuttall						
Wednesday	Early Risers - Mrs Thornhill (Y1) Maths Booster – Mrs Helliwell (Y6)	Sports Leaders (Rec – Y5) Clarinet Group (Y5 – 6)* Homework Club – Mr Fenn (Y3 & 4) Board Games Club – Mr Fenn (Y4)				Roller Hockey Club Mr Eaton / Mr Nuttall			Cooking Club Miss Vickers
Thursday	Early Risers - Mrs Thornhill (Y1)	Choir – Mrs Helliwell (Y3 & 4) Sports Leaders (Rec – Y5) Homework Club – Mrs Taylor (Y5 & 6)					Craft Club Mrs Torrington		Maths Booster Mrs Taylor Maths Booster Mr Fenn Craft Club Mrs Torrington
Friday	Early Risers - Mrs Thornhill (Y1)	Sports Leaders (Rec – Y5) Girls Football - Mr Nuttall (Y3 – 6) TT Rockstars – Mrs Taylor (Y4 – 6) The Hut – Mrs Torrington (varying year groups)							
Weekends						Cross Country Mark Berridge (parent)			

After School Extra Curricular Clubs

All sessions are offered at £3.00 per child per session.

NEW: KS2 Craft Club (Year 4 – 6)

Mrs Torrington

Thursday 3.20 – 4.30pm, Y3 Classroom

Pupils who would like the chance to spend extra time honing their artistic skills in a relaxed environment can come to this club to receive tuition from our artist-in-residence Mrs Torrington in skills such as 3D crafts, sculpture and mixed-media creations. Each week will look at progressing in different ways, with a combination of one-off and ongoing pieces.

Ks1 Arts and Crafts Club (Years 1 – 3)

Mrs Torrington

Monday 3.20 – 4.30pm, Y5 Classroom

A calm and relaxing opportunity for our key stage one pupils to enjoy time making and crafting with our artist-in-residence Mrs Torrington.

NEW: Cooking Club (Year 6)

Miss Vickers

Wednesday 3.20 – 4.30, Y1 Kitchen

An exciting culinary experience awaits those who come to join Miss Vickers for a new club this term! Starting with selected individuals from Year 6, and changing year groups every half term from then onwards, pupils are invited to come and learn how to design, prepare and make healthy recipes in this fun and practical activity.

NEW: Crotchet Club (Year 5)

Mrs Smith

Monday, 3.20 – 4.30pm, Robin Hood Study

Mrs Smith is setting up a special crotcheting club this term, aiming to help Year 5 pupils to learn how to crotchet. Working at a gentle pace, pupils will be able to improve their techniques week by week towards a finished product at the end of the half term.

Multi-Skills (Year 1 & 2, *now open to Reception as well*)

Mr Nuttall

Tuesday, 3.20 – 4.30pm, Hall

High paced skills-based sessions that aim to help improve your understanding and ability across all sports.

RETURNING: Roller Hockey Club (Years 3 & 4)

Mr Eaton / Mr Nuttall

Wednesday, 3.20 – 4.30, Hall

Following on previous years' successes, this club aims to teach up to 12 children in Years 3 and 4 the basics of roller hockey – a non-contact minority sport in the UK, and not to be confused with inline or ice hockey! – in a fun, safe and well-established programme. Pupils will be taught to skate on quad roller skates and learn how to play the game at a basic level with Mr Eaton (an experienced and qualified coach in this sport) and Mr Nuttall. Linked with the Sheffield Wildcats Roller Hockey Club, this group proudly boasts to be the only schools-based roller hockey club in the country, and past participants have often taken their new skills to higher levels: some former Loxley pupils now play in county and even national teams. All equipment will be provided ([including skates](#)) for anyone signing up and no previous experience of skating is needed.

Other clubs (no charge or sign up required unless asterisked*)

NEW: Choir (Years 3 & 4)

Mrs Helliwell

Thursday Lunch, Horsa Hut

Y3 and Y4 children are invited this half term to join Mrs Helliwell in forming an informal lunchtime choir. As well as enjoying themselves through singing new rounds and singing in parts pupils will have opportunity to improve their musical technique and awareness of musicality.

Clarinet Club (Years 5 – 6)*

Mrs Doherty

Wednesday lunch, Loxley Lodge

For pupils wishing to continue their clarinet playing following the class lessons in Years 4 and 5 this ensemble, which is led by Mrs Doherty, is a great way to continue to progress and improve. Please contact Mrs Doherty for more details. Mrs Doherty will contact parents directly regarding payment for this club; if parents wish to contact her themselves then her email is linda.doherty@hotmail.com.

Cross Country (Years 3 – 6)

Mr Nuttall & Mark Berridge

Saturday mornings, various venues (see calendar)

Part of the SFSS Cross Country League, this series of races at various sites in the autumn term across the city is an ideal way for enthusiastic runners to run in age-specific events. There is no experience required or limit to the maximum or minimum races that pupils participate in, but in order to join pupils must speak to Mr Nuttall in school the week before the date of the SFSS race. This activity will be led on the day by one of our parents, Mark Berridge, who was awarded 'Volunteer of the year' in 2022 by the Sheffield Schools Sports Federation (SFSS) for his work helping us to participate in this activity.

NEW: Early Risers (Year 1)

Mrs Wilkinson & Mrs Thornhill

Before school daily (8.30am), Loxley Lodge

Selected pupils are invited to join our phonics experts Mrs Wilkinson and Mrs Thornhill to practice and consolidate their phonics and Early Reading skills. These sessions are for 30 minutes until 9am and aim to help pupils to make accelerated progress and become more fluent readers.

Girls Football (Years 3 – 6)

Mr Nuttall

Friday lunch, Back Yard

A great opportunity for our junior girls to come and enjoy some skills and game based training from our Sports Coach Mr Nuttall. We aim to be outside for many of the sessions as we can, so please come prepared for all weathers!

Healthy Minds (Rec – Y5)

led by Miss Vickers & Y5 Healthy Minds Champions

Monday lunch, Horsa Hut

A chance for pupils to drop in to enjoy mindfulness activities in a quiet space away from the hustle and bustle of the main playground. This activity is to be run similarly to *The Hut* (see below), but led by the Y5 Healthy Minds Champions and supervised by Miss Vickers. Access can be found at the side door of the Horsa Hut next to the back yard. Please note that at busy times there are only certain numbers of spaces available.

Homework Club (Years 3 – 4)

Mr Fenn

Wednesday lunch, Year 4 classroom

Need a chance to complete homework? If so, then please visit Mr Fenn on a Thursday lunchtime for a quiet space to do your work, whilst also getting support from a member of staff whilst doing so.

Homework Club (Years 5 – 6)

Mrs Taylor

Thursday lunch, Year 6 classroom

Need a chance to complete homework? If so, then please visit Mrs Taylor on a Tuesday lunchtime for a quiet space to do your work, whilst also getting support from a member of staff whilst doing so.

NEW: Maths Boosters (Year 6)

Mrs Taylor, Mr Connolly & Mr Fenn Various times – see timetable

With life as busy as it is in Year 6, pupils are given the opportunity to receive additional Quality First Teaching in a small group setting (of ideally ten or less) to help consolidate and improve their core maths skills in arithmetic and reasoning outside of a normal class setting. With many years' experience behind them, the booster team staff members aim to make the group's activities bespoke to their needs on a week-by-week basis, and individuals are placed in a session that best suits the skills they need in order for readiness for their next steps at the end of Year 6 and into Year 7.

NEW: Reading Boosters (Year 6)

Mrs Taylor, Mr Eaton & Mrs Helliwell Various times – see timetable

With life as busy as it is in Year 6, pupils are given the opportunity to receive additional Quality First Teaching in a small group setting (of ideally ten or less) to help consolidate and improve their core reading skills in questioning and understanding outside of a normal class setting. With many years' experience behind them, the booster team staff members aim to make the group's activities bespoke to their needs on a week-by-week basis, and individuals are placed in a session that best suits the skills they need in order for readiness for their next steps at the end of Year 6 and into Year 7.

Recorders (Year 3 – 6)*

Mrs Doherty

Tuesday lunch, Loxley Lodge

For pupils wishing to continue their recorder playing following the class lessons in Years 2 and 3 this ensemble, which is led by Mrs Doherty, is a great way to continue to progress and improve. Mrs Doherty will contact parents directly regarding payment for this club; if parents wish to contact her themselves then her email is linda.doherty@hotmail.com.

TT Rockstars Club (Years 4 – 6)

Mrs Taylor

Friday lunch, Robin Hood Study

Mrs Taylor continues to run our popular lunchtime opportunity to practice those all-important times tables skills and knowledge. There is no sign up needed, just drop-in and sign on to jam, gig or compete in a festival event whilst learning multiplication tables.

Sports Leaders (all year groups throughout the week)

led by Mr Nuttall & Year 6

Various lunchtimes, outdoors

Our Year 6 Sports Leaders will be setting up and running a variety of games or sporting activities for younger learners under the supervision of Mr Nuttall. Each week hopes to be a different way to play!

The Hut

Mrs Torrington & Mr Eaton

Tuesday & Friday lunch, Horsa Hut

A chance for pupils to drop in to play board games, be creative, and relax in a quiet space away from the hustle and bustle of the main playground. Access can be found at the side door of the Horsa Hut next to the back yard. *Please note that at busy times there are only certain numbers of spaces available.*