

# LARKSWOOD NEWS

## Message from the Head of School

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to welcome both yourselves and the children back to school at the start of this Summer Term I hope you had a restful break.

May I draw your attention to some events during the term ahead including; Bullying Awareness Week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> May – activities are being planned to ensure that a safe learning environment exists at Larkswood for all and promoting anti bullying awareness. The week will draw to a close with the children participating in art based activities embracing cohesion.

Please check our website and this weekly newsletter for details regarding our new online booking system for appointments for parent consultation evening. Information confirming arrangements will be shared with you shortly.

Thank you to all those families that joined us for our Phonics workshop on Tuesday this week. I hope you found the session useful, Miss Allan reports it was very positive to be able to share reading strategies and games that you can use at home with your children. The Year One team are more than happy to provide further information and ideas and resources with you should you need it.

Best wishes,

Jo Open

# NATIONAL BULLYING AWARENESS WEEK

The Children will be participating in a Bullying Awareness week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> May, which is a United Nations initiative. The children will be taking part in various activities throughout the week to raise the awareness of bullying and how to deal with it.

## ATTENDANCE CONGRATULATIONS

Week 3 – 7 April 2017  
whole school attendance 92.4%

**1LM 99%**

**Well Done!**

Classes with 96% and above:  
RAE / 1LM / 2CW / 4CR / 4JW

## Celebrating Punctuality

Lowest number of late marks:  
KS1 – 1CW / 1JA / 2MW / 2ND  
KS2 – 3NB / 4MW / 5DW / 6BC

## EVENTS AND VISITS

3 May	Rec Lee Valley Farm
8 May	Bullying Awareness Week
24 May	YR6 Matilda
June	YR6 Residential
July	YR3&4 Cuffley Camp

## WEEKLY EVENTS

Under 5s stay and play - Mon 9.30-11.00am
Drop in with Members of SLT - Tues 7.30-9.30am

## CLASS ASSEMBLY – 2.50pm Wooden Hall

9 May	4MW	16 May	4JW
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## ParentPay Accounts

Please can we remind all parents / carers that they are responsible for keeping their child's ParentPay account in credit. We cannot continue to provide additional services to children whose balance remains in arrears.



## Hey there me hearties...

Artie here with this week's reading highlight of the week. 2 ND are enjoying reading 'Mr Stink' by David Walliams. We love to read it at the end of the day as it is so funny and means we finish the day's learning with some laughter! David Walliams describes the characters so fantastically that we feel as if we know them really well. We can't wait to find out what happens with Chloe and her new friend Mr Stink.

Remember....keep reading!

## Summer term events and competitions

In the summer term, there will be a variety of competitions and events taking place for sports across the borough.

- Mini tennis (red) - YR3 and 4
- Quad Kids - YR1 and 2, YR3 and 4 and YR5 & 6
- Tri-Golf - 8th June - YR5 & 6
- Football Festival - 9th June - YR1 and 2
- Mini tennis (yellow) - YR5 & 6
- Cricket (girls) - 15th June - YR5 & 6
- Cricket (boys) - 16th June - YR5 & 6
- Value Games - 22nd June - KS1
- Value Games - 23rd June - KS2
- Football tournament - 7th July - YR3 & 4

There are also other events taking place, so please watch this space.

## The Lion King

Year 2 thoroughly enjoyed their visit to see The Lion King at The Lyceum Theatre on Wednesday. The children were mesmerised by the stage settings, performances and incredible costumes. The children represented Larkwood excellently, showing wonderful behaviour. We cannot wait to get started on our Lion King inspired art and writing!



## Absence from school

Following a recent review with the LBWF attendance officers we have been advised that *'parents / carers must be aware that as it is their responsibility for their child's school attendance if any child is absent prior to or subsequently after a school holiday, you will be required to provide a valued reason for these absences. The school may not authorise this absence and you may be issued with a fixed penalty notice or referred to the education welfare services as a result'*.