

LARKSWOOD NEWS

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we head into the half term holidays, I wish you a restful break and thank you for your support during my first half term as Headteacher at Larkwood.

We have had a wonderful half term, with lots of brilliant learning, fantastic sporting achievements and excellent behaviour. We had a Literacy development day on Monday where we were visited by our partners at Ruth Miskin Literacy. They were very impressed with the standard of the children's enthusiasm for learning and the expertise that the teachers have. We were also visited by the Regional School's Commissioner from the Department for Education on Friday. She enjoyed her visit to Larkwood.

I hope you all have a wonderful half term and I look forward to seeing you at the Parent Consultation Evening on 2nd November.

Finally just to remind you all, Monday the 30th October is an INSET day, so the **children return to school on Tuesday 31st October.**

Best wishes,
Clare Reynolds

Our New Scholastic Book Club

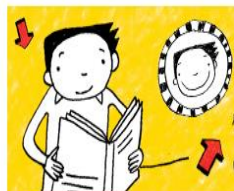
Remember you can view and order the latest books at the link below – order deadline 17th November.

Larkwood
Primary Academy Putting Children First

SCHOLASTIC BookClubs



Mini
Books for 0-6 >



XD
Books for 7-11 >



Teen
Books for 11+ >

www.shop.scholastic.co.uk/schools/larkwood-primary

ATTENDANCE CONGRATULATIONS

Week 9th – 13th Oct 2017

Whole school attendance 95.5%

2MC 100%

Well Done!

Classes with 96% and above:

**1KJ / 1JA / 1MW / 2ND / 2MC / 3ED / 3JG
3MG / 5CR / 5KS / 5JM / 6JM / 6BC / 6KP**

Celebrating Punctuality

Lowest number of late marks:

**KS1 – RAE / 1MW / 2MC
KS2 – 3DW / 4NB / 5KS / 6BC**

EVENTS AND VISITS

30 th Oct	INSET Day – no school for children
1 st Nov	New Reception Starter Meeting at 5.30pm
2 nd Nov	Parents Consultation Evening
6 th Nov	Reception visit to Discover Centre
	YR2 visit to Lloyd Park
15 th Nov	5KS (AM) Pimp Hall Park
	5JM (PM) Pimp Hall Park
16 th Nov	5CR (AM) Pimp Hall Park
6 th Dec	YR6 visit to Harry Potter
7 th Dec	LPSA Christmas Fair
6 th Feb	Year 5 visit to Young Voices
18 th June	Year 6 Residential / Activity week 2018

WEEKLY EVENTS

Under 5s stay and play - Monday 9.30-11.00am

Drop in with Members of SLT - Tuesday 7.30-9.30am

Orion Invitation Cross Country

On a calm and bright morning, 51 brave children (30 girls and 21 boys) represented Larkwood in the annual Orion Invitation Cross Country Competition. The race took place over a 1 mile course at Chingford Plains on Saturday 14th October 2017. We had children from across Key Stage 2 running on the day, with runners coming in various positions. Overall, our teams finished in 7th, 22nd, 28th and 29th (out of 30) in the girls race, and 13th, 27th and 32nd (out of 33) in the boys race. I am sure that I speak for all of the children when I say we look forward to the next cross country event in the Spring term. Come on Larkwood!

Year 5 and 6 Table Tennis

Last week we took 3 boys and 2 girls teams to Chingford Foundation School for this year's table tennis competition. With some tough groups and matches ahead, the team warmed up together, showing amazing teamwork and support for each other. The children played superbly, with all of the teams almost winning at least one round of games. Our Boys A team qualified for the final following a tough match against the Chingford C of E team. Drawing 2-2 and having to count the individual scores of each game, we ended up 30-25 winners. As a result of this, the team have qualified for the Borough finals on Monday 30th October 2017! Good luck guys!

Participation and numbers

So far this term, a selection of children have taken part in the following events:

- Leadership Conference - 12 children
- KS1 Cross Country - 16 children
- Year 5 & 6 Boys Football Tournament - 9 children
- Year 3 & 4 Tag Rugby Festival - 16 children
- Year 5 & 6 High 5 Netball Development League - 8 children
- Orion Invitation Cross Country Competition - 51 children
- Year 5 and 6 Table Tennis Competition - 20 children

Competition and events next half term

- Year 5 & 6 Table Tennis Borough Final - Chingford Foundation
- Year 5 & 6 Girls Football Tournament - GOALS, Chingford
- Interschool Cycling Competition - Lee Valley VeloPark
- Year 5 & 6 Sportshall Athletics - Peter May Centre
- Leyton Orient Football Tournament - SCORE, Leyton



Change of Meal Pattern

Please can you inform the school office if your child changes meal pattern, we need at least 1 weeks' notice.

Free School Meal Checker www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims

Current School Menus www.larkwoodlime.london/school-meals

SPORTS CALENDER

30 th Oct	YR5 & 6 Table Tennis Final
6 th Nov	YR5 & 6 Girls Football Tournament
17 th Nov	YR5 & 6 Sportshall Athletics
18 th Nov	Leyton Orient Football Tournament
24 th Nov	KS1 Sportshall Athletics

LPSA Annual General Meeting

The LPSA AGM was held on 16th October and had a great attendance of teachers, parents, committee members and new volunteers. A new committee was voted in, as follows: **Chair:** Debbie Burr; **Vice-Chair:** Vicki Beaver; **Treasurer:** Frank Lamptey; **Co-Secretary:** Melissa Lipman; and **Co-Secretary:** Lisa Valen. New Terms of Reference have also been agreed. All minutes/supporting documents will be published shortly.

The Committee also agreed a new position of 'Fundraiser' and this position remains vacant. If you would like to take up the position of Fundraiser, please email us: lpasa@larkwoodlime.london.

New Name for the LPSA

It was agreed at the AGM to create a new name that was representative and inclusive of the whole school community and something that people can relate to and easily recognise.

A few suggestions were proposed, but it was agreed that we needed your input?

Please vote for your preferred name from the shortlist below:

- Friends of Larkwood
- PALs (Parents at Larkwood)
- Larkwood Parent Fundraising Association
- Or come up with one name of your own

To vote, please email: lpasa@larkwoodlime.london by Friday 27th October 2017 12.00pm. The new committee will make a decision on the new name by the end of that day.