

# LARKSWOOD NEWS

## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children across KS1 and KS2 have been working really hard on their Reading, Maths and Grammar tests this week and I would like to say a big well done to all of the children and teachers for their efforts, particularly to those in Years 2 and 6.

In other news, Years 3 and 4 have had some fun filled afternoons of science investigations where they made their own magnets and created functioning electrical circuits. Meanwhile, Year 6 have been preparing Harry Potter themed poetry and crafting their own potions as they ready themselves for their trip to Harry Potter World next week.

It has been lovely to see the hive of activity, as some of the children prepare keepsake crafts to sell at the Larkwood Christmas Fair next Thursday. I look forward to celebrating the festivities with you all there.

Finally all the children have been given a winter reflector for their school bags which have been supplied by the LBWF attendance team. As a school we aim for all children to have 100% attendance.

Best wishes,  
Clare Reynolds



**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

**3.40 – 6.00pm**

Our school Christmas Fair is next week. Our special visitor from Lapland as confirmed, each year group will be running a stall / activity and we have a selection of external stallholders.

### Last Chance - Christmas Raffle Tickets

If you would like any more raffle tickets or need to drop some off please come to the main school office.

The big draw will be held at the Christmas Fair on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2017.

## ATTENDANCE CONGRATULATIONS

Week 20<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> Nov 2017

Whole school attendance – 94.3%

**5JM 100%**

**Well Done!**

Classes with 96% and above:

**RLW / 1JA / 1KJ / 1MW / 2ND / 3ED / 3MG / 4NB / 5KS / 5JM / 6JW / 6BC**

### Celebrating Punctuality

Lowest number of late marks:

**KS1 – RLW / 1MW / 2CZ**

**KS2 – 3MG / 4NB / 4CF / 5JM / 6BC**

## EVENTS AND VISITS

6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	YR6 visit to Harry Potter World
7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	FOL Christmas Fair
5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Reception – Nativity 9.30am
8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Reception – Nativity 9.30am
8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	YR1 Festive Sing-A-Long
8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	YR3 visit to the Science Museum
6 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Year 5 visit to Young Voices
18 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Residential / Activity week 2018

## WEEKLY EVENTS

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



## Christmas Card Competition

What an amazing achievement! With over 620 pieces of art returned for this year's Christmas Card project, it was a hard job whittling them down to a select few. But we did it!

From a shortlist, the teachers chose one winner from each year group, with the budding artists receiving their certificates today.

The winners were: Harry (Nursery), Izaiah (Reception), Xavier (YR1), Isabella (YR2), Ami (YR3), Freya (YR4), Sophie (YR5) and Alex (YR6). In addition to their certificates, the winners will also receive a Personalised Gift Bag from our competition sponsor **'The Craft Cabin'** which can be collected from their stall at our Christmas Fair next week.

The Best Overall Card prize was awarded to **Freya** and she will receive an additional £20 gift voucher from **Hobbycraft**.



Thank you to all the parents that purchased their children's cards online. We raised just over £350 and all our cards, wrapping paper and gift tags will be arriving back at the school next week.



### Reserve Your Place at Santa's Grotto

We have had a quick word with the elves, and they have confirmed that Santa is definitely able to make the Larkwood Christmas Fair.

The last of the tickets will be available to purchase next week via the school office. We will also be offering family slots for those with more than one child. Tickets are £5 per child.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES 2017-18			
Sign in at main reception - 2.40pm			
TUESDAY		THURSDAY	
16 <sup>th</sup> Jan	5KS	18 <sup>th</sup> Jan	2CZ
23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	4NB		
30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	4GK		
27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	4CF	1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	1MW
6 <sup>th</sup> Mar	3DW	8 <sup>th</sup> Mar	1JA
13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	3JG	15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	1KJ
20 <sup>th</sup> Mar	3MG		
24 <sup>th</sup> Apr	3ED	3 <sup>rd</sup> May	RLB
1 <sup>st</sup> May	RLB		
8 <sup>th</sup> May	RLW	10 <sup>th</sup> May	RAE
5 <sup>th</sup> Jun	6BC	7 <sup>th</sup> Jun	6JM
12 <sup>th</sup> Jun	6JW	14 <sup>th</sup> Jun	6KP
NURSERY ASSEMBLIES			
Will be held in the Nursery Unit			
19 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Nur AM	21 <sup>st</sup> Jun	Nur PM
	9.05am		12.50pm



## Save the Children CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

**FRIDAY 15<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2017**

Once again we will get into the festive spirit and supporting Save the Children. On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017 the children can come to school wearing their Christmas jumper / clothes in support of this charity. Suggested Donation £1.00 each.

### Frosty Mornings

With the change in the weather the playground can be frosty in the mornings so please stay safe and keep off the playscape areas and astro turf.

### Change of Meal Pattern

The deadline to change your child's meal pattern for the January to February half term period is **15<sup>th</sup> December 2017**.