

# LARKSWOOD NEWS

## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy week of sports at Larkwood. Earlier on today our amazing team of sports leaders attended a Leadership Conference where they were trained and mentored by a team of professionals. The role of our sports leaders is to not only run activities at school, but they also lead activities in borough events too! The children had a great time and I am extremely proud to say that our sports leaders displayed all the school values and were exceptional ambassadors for Larkwood.

I would like to inform you that we will be participating in Sports Relief 2018 on Friday 23rd March. The children will be asked to dress up as one of the following: Their favourite sports person, a sports person who has inspired them, or in the colour of their or their family's favourite team. The children will be challenged to participate in physical activities throughout day, both in class and outside in the playground. We suggest a donation of £1 and all proceeds will be going to charity. We thank you in advance for your support on this exciting day!

Sadly, we have three members of our team leaving at the end of the Spring term. Ms Archer-Brown is leaving our nursery for a totally new career. Ms Davy will be leaving to take up a senior role at a new school. After over 25 years at Larkwood Mrs Wilcock will be leaving the office team. I would like to wish them all the very best.

Lastly, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome back Mrs Pitt from maternity leave, who started back with us on Monday. Mrs Pitt will be resuming her role as Early Years Foundation Lead and will be working closely with the Early Years team and will be doing some teaching across the school. I would also like to welcome Miss Larkin who has joined the Larkwood team, she will be working with children across the school.

Wishing you all a restful weekend and do not forget to get your hat and scarves out again!

Best wishes,  
Clare Reynolds

## ATTENDANCE CONGRATULATIONS

Week 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Whole school attendance – 96.6%

**1JA & 2CZ 99.3%**

**Well Done!**

Classes with 96% and above:

**1JA / 1KJ / 2ND / 2MC / 2CZ / 3ED / 4NB  
4GK / 5CR / 5KS / 5JM / 6JM / 6JW / 6BC**

## Celebrating Punctuality

Lowest number of late marks:

**KS1 – RLW / 1MW / 2ND/  
KS2 – 3DW / 4NB / 5KS / 6KP**

## EVENTS AND VISITS

19 <sup>th</sup> March	YR6 Bake Sale – KS2
20 <sup>th</sup> March	YR6 Bake Sale – KS1
18 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 visit to Lion King the Musical
13 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 visit to Matilda the Musical
18 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Residential / Activity week 2018

## WEEKLY EVENTS

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

## Lost Property

Please remember to put a name  
in all your child's belongings



**STEP UP**  
FOR **SPORT RELIEF**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**  
Dress in your team colours or as your favourite sports star and join us for the billion step challenge.

**£1** Suggested Donation  
Non uniform day

### Whole School Attendance

One of our key priorities is to improve the whole school attendance.

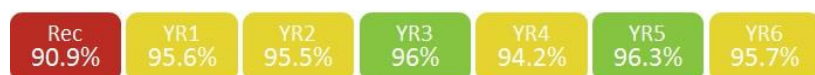
Attendance really does matter and there is a link between good school attendance and high level attainment within children. Whatever the reason, the fact is if your child is absent from school they are missing out on learning time.

There are 190 days in a school year, leaving 175 days to spend on family time, shopping, appointments and other things. Our aim is for all children to achieve 100% attendance.

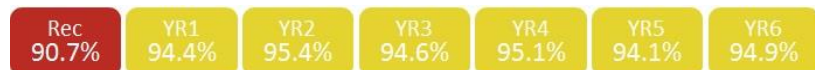
We are engaging in a number of new initiatives to encourage improvement in our whole school attendance. Below is an attendance summary by year group from the start of the academic year and our first challenge to all the children is to help turn their year groups green.



#### Spring 1 whole school attendance



#### Autumn Term whole school attendance



We need all children, parents and carers to help us to turn our attendance green throughout the school.

**2018** class of **bake sale**  
KS2 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018  
KS1 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Cake sale to raise funds for the YR6 Leavers Disco  
Cakes will be on sale during both break times

Prices from **50p**  
Please support them

**Easter Half Term**  
**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March**  
**School finishes - 1.30pm**  
**LEAP ASC finishes - 3.30pm**

CLASS ASSEMBLIES 2017-18			
Sign in at main reception - 2.40pm			
	TUESDAY		THURSDAY
20 <sup>th</sup> Mar	3MG	22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	1MW
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