

# LARKHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



# **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

March 8th—World Book Day. Reading Café from 2.30pm.

March 13th, 14th & 15th— Mothers Day Event "I Love You S'More".

March 15th—Red Nose Day.

March 22nd—Mufti Day. Deadline for donations towards Rainbow Raffle.

March 27th—Rainbow Raffle winners drawn.

March 28th—Last day of Term 4. Easter Events. More information to follow soon.

April 15th—First day of Term 5.

April 19th—Class Photo day.

April 26th—Month of the Military Child Day. PTA Quiz and Movie Night. More information to follow soon.

April 29th—Years 3/4 Steam Museum trip.

April 30th—Years 1/2 Salisbury Museum trip.

# HEAD'S UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week has flown by and I am struggling to comprehend that we are already half way through the year!

Excitement is already mounting for World Book Day next week. This is one of my favourite days of the year and one that the adults and children all really enjoy. Children are invited to come to school dressed as a character from a Roald Dahl story and in preparation, all children have been reading Roald Dahl stories in their classes this term. With the huge variety of costume options that are available with a Roald Dahl theme, we are hoping that all children will be able to find a character that they can dress up as. Remember, costumes do not need to be bought from the shops! We love to see home-made costumes and we are excited to see what you can create from using materials that you have at home.

There is also the opportunity to decorate a potato to represent any book character of your choice. Again, we are hoping that as many children as possible will take part and bring in a potato creation. Working on a shared project together at home is such a memorable experience for our children and gives them a real opportunity to showcase their creativity. I still remember making a miniature garden at home for an Easter competition when I was in Year 1!

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our Reading Café next week! Parents are welcome in to school from 2.30pm to share a story with their child(ren)'s class.

In other news, our Bake Sale raised a total of £174.20 which will go directly to our Fire Hut fund. Thank you so much to those who bought a sweet treat!

Charlotte Harmer

**Head Teacher** 



#### WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Longleat - 99%

Archer – 98.18%

Salisbury - 95.72%

Stonehenge - 93.57%

Danebury - 100%

Woodhenge - 95.63%

Silbury - 95.45%

Wessex - 99.56%

The Department for Education stipulates school attendance should be no lower than 96%.

Congratulations to this week's class attendance winners!

#### **DANEBURY CLASS**

Well done!

### **ATTENDANCE TOP TIP**

Children should be in school by 08:45am, anything later than this will be marked as late on our registers and will affect your child's attendance. Arrivals after 9am will drop their percentage even further.

#### **Longleat Class**

Longleat Class have been growing in confidence since starting school. All the children have shown great belief in themselves by always giving things a go, even when they appear tricky. Mrs Magee and Miss Dawson would like to give special mention to Clarian for being the first to volunteer for new tasks and always cheering on his friends.



#### Our Value of the Month of February was

# **SELF BELIEF**



# Here are some examples of how we have shown self belief.

"At Larkhill Primary School, we will have confidence in ourselves and our abilities"

#### **Silbury Class**

Silbury Class have shown great self belief in DT. We have been sewing to create a tote bag and Silbury have been fantastic. At first, we struggled with the sewing element, however I have been so impressed at how much self belief they have shown. Every single bag looks amazing – I am very proud! Dylan has really stood out to me over the past few weeks as he has been really pushing himself in Maths. He has believed in his ability it has shown some great results in class. Well done Dylan and super effort to all of Silbury Class.

#### **Wessex Class**

Wessex Class have shown tremendous self belief this month during their Forest School sessions. They have completed a range of challenging tasks, whatever the weather and have supported each other to believe they can! I've enjoyed watching them carry and break up pallets, chop wood for kindling, construct dens, climb trees and stack 9 pebbles on top of each other... Just to name a few!

#### Archer Class

Archer Class have shown great self belief in our Tennis lessons so far. They have practised underarm throwing and catching with a partner, they accepted that it can be quite tricky to throw a ball ensuring it bounces before their partner hits it back to them. They have believed in themselves as well as each other. A special mention to Evie, whose face lit up when she caught the ball for the first time!

#### **Danebury Class**

Danebury Class have demonstrated great self belief in Maths in February. Showing me their written methods in adding, subtracting and regrouping. They have done brilliantly and I am so proud.

Keep up the amazing work.

#### Woodhenge Class

Woodhenge Class have been showing an abundance of self belief in February. We have been very proud of how they have tackled some tricky multiplication challenges in our Maths unit. Violet, in particular has worked incredibly hard using a range of strategies.

#### Stonehenge Class

In our gymnastics and tennis P.E lessons in February, Stonehenge Class have shown lots of self belief when attempting tricky balances and developing their ball skills. George showed amazing self belief to complete some fantastic leap frogs!

#### **Salisbury Class**

Salisbury Class have shown a great deal of self belief with their writing this half term. They have been learning how to check for mistakes and understand that it is all part of the learning process. Well done Salisbury Class, keep believing in yourselves.

# **STAR LEARNER**

At Larkhill Primary School, we know that learning isn't limited to the classroom. If your child has done something worthy of a Star Learner nomination, please send these to psa@larkhill.wilts.sch.uk and together we can celebrate the

amazing learning that goes on outside of school, as well as within.



Oliver Cole tried his hand at ice skating last weekend and despite many painful tumbles and with a little help from his sister, he kept getting back up and persevered until he could skate independently! This perfectly demonstrated our values of self belief and resilience.

Well done Ollie!

# **CAUGHT READING**

Max Haarhoff was caught reading to his little sister, Nora. What a great way to practise reading. And setting a brilliant example for younger siblings!

Well done Max!



If you catch your child reading somewhere unusual, or even just enjoying their book in a quiet moment—feel free to take a snap and send it to psa@larkhill.wilt.sch.uk

# World Book Day Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024

# THE WORLD OF DALL

Our theme for World Book Day this year is 'The World of Roald Dahl'. Please come dressed as a character from one of his stories. The more scrumpdiddlyumptious the better!



# March 13th, 14th & 15th 2024

We would be delighted if you could join us for our Mother's Day Celebration -'I Love You S'More'!

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Parents and Carers are invited to join their child(ren) at their Outdoor Learning session during the week commencing March IIth.

You will get a chance to see why our Forest School Area is so popular and how the space is being used - plus, the fire pit will be in use for gooey, chocolatey goodness!

We can't wait to see you there!



# Do Something Funny for Money! Red Nose Day for Comic Relief Friday March 15th 2024



Children are welcome to come to school dressed in RED or SOMETHING FUNNY on March 15th for our Comic Relief fundraising day.

Red Noses will soon be available to purchase at the school office for £2.00 each. We will notify you when they arrive.

Donations can be made to Comic Relief via our donations page on Parent Pay.

To find out more about Red Nose Day and Comic Relief visit the following link: https://www.comicrelief.com/rednoseday/

