



September 2024

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome back to a new school year at Lakenheath CP School! We've had a fantastic start to the term and it's been wonderful to see the children settling into their classes with enthusiasm and energy. Over the past 2-3 weeks, we've already seen great learning, teamwork, and lots of smiling faces. As we embark on this new academic year, we're excited to work together to create a positive, supportive environment where every child can thrive. We look forward to sharing news, events, and achievements with you through our regular newsletters. Here's to a successful year ahead!

### Facebook Page:

As always, we regularly put updates and news on our school Facebook page. For new parents, here is a link to our group. (You will be asked to say the name of your child and we do not accept people we do not recognise on the group. Speak to a member of SLT if you've requested access but haven't been accepted).



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### Wrap-Around Care:

We are excited to announce that we are planning to offer wraparound care at school from 3:15-6pm in the near future. We are aiming to have this service available later this term. This will be an after school provision for children at school, offering a safe and engaging environment with lots of fun activities planned. Further details on how to book your child's place will be shared soon. Please stay tuned for more information. **In the meantime, it would be helpful for staffing arrangements if you could confirm your interest with Lisa at the front office as soon as possible.**

We plan to have 3 collection times: 4:30pm, 5:30pm or 6pm. The cost will be approximately £4.50/hour but the exact cost will be confirmed once all arrangements are in place.





## NEWSLETTER ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-2025

### Term Dates:

#### Autumn term

Starts Monday 2 September 2024

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Half term Monday 28 October 2024 to Friday 1 November 2024

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Ends Friday 20 December 2024

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Christmas holiday Saturday 21 December 2024 to Sunday 5 January 2025

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#### Spring term

Starts Monday 6 January 2025

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Half term Monday 17 February 2025 to Friday 21 February 2025

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Ends Friday 4 April 2025

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Spring (Easter) holiday Saturday 5 April 2025 to Monday 21 April 2025

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#### Summer term

Starts Tuesday 22 April 2025

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Half term Monday 26 May 2025 to Friday 30 May 2025

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Ends Tuesday 22 July 2025

### PD days (children not in school)

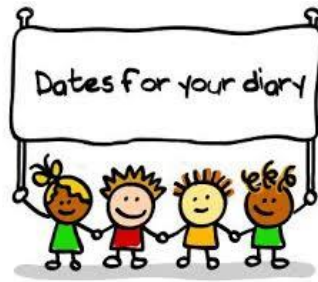
Monday 6th January

Monday 21st July

Tuesday 22nd July



**Important dates for the diary:**



Please see our planned dates for various events throughout the year. Further information about each event will be sent out nearer the time and some dates may be subject to change but we will let you know if this is the case.

**September:**

- 18th - KS2 Cross Country competition - please can all children in KS2 (Y3-Y6) wear PE kits
- 24th - 2:30pm EYs parents' phonics workshop
- 30th September-4th October Harvest Week (Donations for local food banks please)

**October:**

- 21st - Bikeability - cycling proficiency course (Y6)
- 23rd - Individual School Photos

**November:**

- 12th and 13th: Parents Evening 3:30-6:30
- 25<sup>th</sup>: Flu Vaccines (optional)

**December:**

- 2nd - Early Years Nativity dress rehearsal
- 3rd - Early Years Nativity 9:15am
- 4th - Early Years Nativity 9:15am
- 9th - KS1 dress rehearsal
- 10th - KS1 Nativity (PM)
- 11th - KS1 Nativity (PM)
- 16th - 2:30pm Rocksteady Concert
- 18th: Christmas jumper fun run / Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day

**February:**

- 11th and 12th: Parents Evening 3:30-6:30

**March:**

- 5th-12th - Scholastic Book Fair
- 6th - World Book Day -

**May:**

- 21st- 23rd - Eaton Vale Y6 Residential

**July:**

- 7th Sports Day Carousel
- 8th Sports Day races: Parents welcome 9-12



### Harvest:

We will be celebrating Harvest during the week beginning 30<sup>th</sup> September. Children will be learning about the work that foodbanks do to support people in our community. We welcome donations for local foodbanks during the week. Every morning, between the 30<sup>th</sup> September - 4<sup>th</sup> October, we will be putting out boxes on the KS2 playground for your donated items. Please make sure these are all items with a long shelf-life.



Suggested items:

### Dried Foods:

- Pasta and rice
- Lentils, beans, and pulses
- Instant noodles
- Dried fruit
- Instant mashed potatoes

### Canned Goods:

- Canned vegetables (peas, carrots, sweetcorn)
- Canned soups
- Canned beans (baked beans, kidney beans)
- Canned meats (tuna, chicken, ham)
- Canned fruits (peaches, pineapples)
- Canned sauces (tomato sauce, pasta sauce)

### Long Shelf-Life Items:

- UHT milk or powdered milk
- Cooking oil
- Breakfast cereals
- Long-life fruit juice
- Peanut butter, jams, and spreads
- Tea bags and coffee
- Sugar and salt
- Crackers or crispbreads

### Extras:

- Toiletries (soap, toothpaste, sanitary products)
- Baby formula and food
- Snacks (granola bars, nuts)



**Sports Award:**

For the third year running, LCPS won the Gold Award for Sports provision. This is a real special achievement for us and is testament to the hard work of our staff in ensuring quality of teaching, experiences and opportunities in physical activity for our pupils!



**Polite Reminders:**



- Breakfast Club - please do not park on the school grounds (including visitor bays) when dropping off your children. It is not safe with so many cars coming in and out and children walking into the club.
- Please avoid parking on School Close (private road) and on the yellow lines out the front of school.
- We have a number of children and staff with nut allergies in school. We do not allow any nuts in school so please avoid these in snacks and lunch boxes.
- **Please avoid using mobile phones when dropping off and collecting children - this is to safeguard our pupils.**

As we look ahead to the coming weeks, we are excited for the many activities and learning opportunities planned for our students. Thank you for your ongoing support and involvement in our school community. Wishing you all a wonderful month ahead!

Yours sincerely,

Michael Tingey