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## Purple Post

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### Principal's Message

*We want our school to be a place where we are safe: to learn, have fun and work hard. A place where we are kind and mindful of everyone and have positive attitudes for our bright futures.*

*As we break up for half term, I'd like to thank you for all your support over the last half term: we've had lots of opportunities for you to be involved in school life since Christmas and to help your child to make the most of their time here at Queensmead. We've had dress-up days, off-curriculum days, parents' workshops and drop-ins as well as cake sales, chocolate tombolas and a fantastic raffle with some amazing prizes that's due to be drawn today- good luck if you've bought a ticket!*

*We are so very grateful for all the support that you give school in order that we can run such exciting and fun activities for the pupils here - there's always something to get involved in!*

*Have a lovely half term and see you back in school after the half term break.*

*Liz Latham*

## Half term Free Fun!

Click here for details of free half-term events:

[families.leicester.gov.uk/half-term-activities](http://families.leicester.gov.uk/half-term-activities)

## Dinner Dates

Here are the new dates for booking your child's dinner:

For wk beginning 4. 3. 24 book by Sun 25<sup>th</sup> Feb

For wk beginning 11.3.24 book by Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar

## Honours Awards Spring 1

*A huge congratulations to all of our Honours Award-winners - we're very proud!*

*Foundation 1 - Safeerah*

*Nadia Shireen - Patrick*

*Nick Sharratt Rajika*

*R. Sirdeshpande- Harison*

*Oliver Jeffers- George*

*Tom Percival - Ivy*

*Anna Kemp- William*

*Serena Patel- Pranil*

*Roald Dahl- Livia*

*Kate Wilkinson- Herley*

*Radiya Hafiza- Harry*

*Onjali Rauf- Zeeshan*

*Benjamin Zephaniah- Marks*

*Sita Brahmachari - Chukwunwike*

*Polly Ho-Yen - Ubamaka*

*'For the consistently high quality of work in Mathematics lessons'*

## Cake Sales!

Thanks so much for all your support in making the cake sales such a success – the most recent cake sale held for Y1 raised an amazing £149.25 to support with the trip to Beaumanor Hall



## Dates for Your Diary

Break up for half term	16 <sup>th</sup> Feb
Boys football at New College	26 <sup>th</sup> Feb
Girls football @ New College	4 <sup>th</sup> Mar
F2 Pizza Express	5 <sup>th</sup> Mar
World Book Day	7 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Yr 6 Girls at The Grove	8 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Boys football at New College	11 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Yr 5 St Annes	14 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Red Nose Day	15 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Yr 1 St Annes	21 <sup>st</sup> Mar

## Dress Up for Digits Day.

Y6 pupils from Eventerprise visited classrooms to talk to pupils about how the NSPCC charity use donations. We are delighted to let you know that you raised an incredible £243.68 on Dress up for Digits Day – some fantastically creative outfits and costumes – well done and thanks to all! - have a look at the NSPCC website for more details

[www.nspcc.org.uk](http://www.nspcc.org.uk).

## Class Assembly Dates

Here are the class assembly dates for you to plan ahead! Class assemblies are always on a Tuesday at 2.50pm in the main hall. We look forward to seeing you there!

Roald Dahl	5 <sup>th</sup> March
Benjamin Zephaniah	19 <sup>th</sup> March
Anna Kemp	16 <sup>th</sup> April
Radiya Hafiza	7 <sup>th</sup> May
Oliver Jeffers	21 <sup>st</sup> May
Rashmi Sirdeshpande	11 <sup>th</sup> June
Tom Percival	2 <sup>nd</sup> July

## **Battle of the Bands! Times Tables Rock Stars results!**

Well done to Radiya Hafiza class who were the clear winners this time! The next battle ends on 10<sup>th</sup> March so have a go to help your class to win! It's such a good way to have fun as well as learn those all-important times tables that help with progress in maths!

Class Average Correct		Class Total Correct
1	Radiya Hafiza	2,364
2	Kate Wilkinson	1,070
3	Roald Dahl	936
4	Serena Patel	833
5	Onjali Rauf	781
6	Benjamin Zephaniah	670
7	Polly Ho-Yen	80
8	Tom Percival	68



## **Flipping Fantastic!** Many pupils signed up to

enjoy a 'pancake playtime' to celebrate Shrove Tuesday this week- chocolate sauce was definitely the favourite topping! An amazing £100 was raised to support the Y4 Roman experience.

## **Roman Soldiers!**

Year 4 very much enjoyed learning about what life was like as a Roman Soldier as well as how Romans used to live. They practised their marching formations as well as dressing up in Roman outfits to really get into the spirit of things! The costumes, as always, looked amazing!



## **Dance in a Day!**

Year 6 very much enjoyed their 'dance in a day' opportunity on Wednesday with a local dance specialist who taught them how to use cheerleading-type lifts to express the theme of war to link to their History topic.

## **Another Award!**

### **Stage 5 Fruiting Award-**

We are delighted to receive the highest award possible - the

Stage 5 Fruiting Award from One Seed Forward. This is in recognition for our work on biodiversity, sustainability and climate change in our school gardens. Well done everyone for this great award!



## **Brilliant Bikeability!**

A huge congratulations and well done to our fantastic Year 5 pupils who have worked hard to achieve their Level 1 or 2 Bikeability- this great scheme aims to ensure pupils are safety aware and capable of riding safely on the roads. Well done!

