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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.

It was wonderful to see so many of you attending Parents' Evenings this week - the rain didn't stop you from coming to hear the positive messages about how well pupils have settled in and are already making progress. It seems like Autumn is really upon us with the leaves starting to fall and we're nearly at half term. We've had so much rain recently which definitely seems to time itself just as school finishes!

As the Purple Post is issued every two weeks, this is the last one until after half term - have a good break and let's hope for some better weather!

Liz Latham

Dates for your Diary

World Record Attempt!	15 th Oct
Y5 Dance Performance	17 th Oct
Yr 6 Ilham Hall residential	16 – 18 th Oct
October Half Term	21 – 25th Oct
Boys football @ New College	28 th Oct
Flu jabs	31 st Oct
Halloween Discos	31 st Oct
Girls football @ New College	4 th Nov
Y5 visit- Tower of London	5 th Nov
Y6 specialist dance day	7 th Nov
Storyteller in Y3 and 4	11 th Nov
Y6 Cinema visit	12 th Nov
Y4 specialist dance day	14 th Nov
Boys football @ New College	25 th Nov

Y4 Cinema visit
 Girls football @ New college
 Storyteller in Y3 and 4
 Winter Fair

26th Nov
 2nd Dec
 2nd Dec
 4th Dec



Asda - Cashpot for our school!

A reminder to opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between 2nd September and

30th November 2024. Every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started! Please support us by signing up!

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!

Anthony Browne	15 th October
M G Leonard	5 th November
Katya Balen	19 th November
Satoshi Kitamura	21 st January
Jonny Duddle	4 th February
Jenny McLachlan	4 th March
Valerie Thomas	18 th March
Zanna Davidson	1 st April
Marcela Ferreira	13 th May
Joseph Coelho	10 th June
Rob Biddulph	24 th June

Attendance Counts Moments Matter

As you know, there is a link between regular attendance and success at school. It is vital to ensure that your child is in school, on time, every day. Please do contact the school office if you need support. The overall attendance for this year is **95.4%**. The class with the highest attendance is Siobhan Dowd with 97.5% Well done!

Dinner Dates

Here are the dates for booking your child's dinner:
 For wk beginning 28/10/24 order by Sun 20th Oct
 For wk beginning 4/11/24 order by Sun 27th Oct
 For wk beginning 11/11/24 order by Sun 3rd Nov
 Recently there have been some children upset at the choices made for them for lunch- having a conversation with children about what they'll be eating is a great way to manage everyone's expectations!

Queensmead's New Prime Minister !

Huge congratulations to our new Prime Minister, Mady who was voted in during our Election Day recently!



Critical Incident

University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust have declared a critical incident due to significant pressures on the healthcare system. [The full press release here](#) highlights how you can help support to alleviate the strain on medical services and ensure that those in critical need receive timely care.





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Family Learning's Art Competition

Are you up for a creative challenge
that you can do as a family?



Win family tickets
to De Montfort
Hall's Christmas
Pantomime -
Snow White

We're challenging families in Leicester to decorate our Family Learning hands with the theme of **'Hands of Leicester: My Family's Learning Adventure!'**

So, pick up your pens, pencils, paints, stickers, glitter or whatever you have and show us what your family's learning adventure looks like.

Entry forms available now from selected local venues or download a form from our website.

For full details, including where to submit your entries, go to the link below.

Competition closes Monday 4 November 2024

Entries will be displayed and the winner will be announced at our Family Learning Open Day on Saturday 16 November. Learn more on our website.



Entry forms can be
collected from the academy
office.

bit.ly/FamilyLearningCompetition24



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Family Learning – Hand Decorating Competition

Are you up for a creative challenge that you can do as a family? You could win family tickets to De Montfort Hall's 2024 pantomime, Snow White and Abbey Park's Light Trail by Enlightened Moments.

In case you didn't know already, Family Learning is all about families learning together, by encouraging parents and carers to learn new skills alongside their children. We do this by offering fully funded courses for parents and carers at local schools and community centres.

The symbol of two hands has always been important to us here at Family Learning. To us, it shows a child's learning being supported by a parent, grandparent, carer or another adult, which is what our courses aim to do.

We're challenging families in Leicester to decorate our Family Learning hands with the theme of 'Hands of Leicester: My Family's Learning Adventure!'. We want you to think creatively about what that theme means to your family.

We want the whole family to get involved, not just the children. So, pick up your pens, pencils, paints, stickers, glitter or whatever you have and show us what your family's learning adventure looks like.

We're more interested in how you creatively interpret the theme rather than looking for artistic skills.

What could you win?

1st Prize – A family ticket to the opening weekend of De Montfort Hall's 2024 Pantomime, Snow White. These tickets have been kindly gifted to us by De Montfort Hall*. Thank you, De Montfort Hall!

2nd Prize – A family ticket to Enlightened Leicester at Abbey Park. Enjoy the magical light trail together as a family. These tickets have been kindly gifted to us too!

3rd Prize – A board game and book bundle for the whole family to enjoy.

How to enter:

You can leave your completed entry at the school or venue you picked up this entry template from. You can also submit your artwork on our Google form, which can be found on our webpage as linked below.

The winning family will be announced at our Family Learning open day at Leicester Adult Education College on Saturday 16 November. Join us to see all the entries and get involved with lots of other fun activities. We will announce the winner online the following week.

Terms and conditions can be found on our website, on the link below:

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If you have any questions about the competition at all, please contact us on 0116 454 1900.