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Purple Post

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Issue **300!**

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.

Welcome to the 300th edition of the Purple Post! I hope you all had a restful half term break and had fun doing activities or just relaxing. A good rest is certainly needed as we go into one of the busiest half terms as we lead up to Christmas. Please do keep an eye out for all the exciting events we have planned for you and your children- we don't want you to miss out on all the fun and festivities!

There are still lots of things happening before Christmas too - more details below.

Liz Latham

Dates for your Diary

Storyteller in Y3 and 4	11 th Nov
Y6 Cinema visit	12 th Nov
Orchestra Unwrapped workshop Y5	12 th Nov
Odd Socks Day: part of anti-bullying week	12 th Nov
Y4 specialist dance day	14 th Nov
Pirate Pizza Party EYFS	14 th Nov
Children in Need – PJs day	15 th Nov
Class Author celebration	22 nd Nov
Boys football @ New College	25 th Nov
Y4 Cinema visit	26 th Nov
Wonderdome visit Y1 and Y5	28 th Nov
Girls football @ New College	2 nd Dec
Winter Fair	4 th Dec

Online Parenting Courses

Do you need any support or advice about parenting? If you are interested in joining a range of online courses to support many aspects of parenting, please click here:

<https://www.familylives.org.uk/how-we-can-help/online-parenting-courses>



Odd Socks day!

Tuesday 12th

Odd Socks Day marks the start of Anti-Bullying Week and takes place on Tuesday 12th November. Please

send your child in odd socks to show support for zero tolerance for bullying behaviour.

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!

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 **94.9%**. The class with the highest attendance is M G Leonard with 99% Well done!

HAF (Holiday and Food)

Leicester City Council are providing Holiday and Food programmes during the Christmas break. Spaces will be allocated on a first come first served basis to children and young people who meet all of the following criteria:

- live in Leicester City
- are receiving benefits related free school meals
- are in the age range for that programme

Please click below for more details

families.leicester.gov.uk/haf.

Registration will close on Tuesday 3 December so please book as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Dinner Dates

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

For wk beginning 18/11/24 order by Sun 10th Nov

For wk beginning 25/11/24 order by Sun 17th Nov

For wk beginning 2/12/24 order by Sun 24th 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!

Parking Problems

It is illegal to park on the zig zag lines outside school. Please be thoughtful about where you park at drop-off/pick up times. The Leisure Centre car park is free and has easy access to school- much safer than parking on the roads.

