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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.

We've finally arrived at the end of our longest term- and arguably one of the busiest, particularly in the last few weeks! I'd like to say a huge thank you to all of you for attending events and supporting your children to have a full and enriched time in school.

Your support and contributions mean that fundraising has hit an amazing total over the festive period- over £1100 was raised at the Winter Fair! Your very generous donations at the end of the Nativity performances raised an amazing £365. Charities have also benefited from your kindness with over £170 raised for Save the Children on Christmas Jumper Day!

Your support and kindness is very much appreciated and I wish you all the best for the Festive Season - have a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



*(this morning's Breakfast with Santa photo)
Liz Latham.*

Dinner Bookings

Here are dates for booking your child's dinner: please do discuss option choices with your child so that they know what to expect!

For wk/b 12/1/26 order by Sun 21st Dec

For wk/b 19/1/26 order by Sun 11th Jan

For wk/b 26/1/26 order by Sun 18th Jan

For wk/b 2nd Feb order by Sun 25th Jan

Attendance Counts- Moments Matter

It is vital to ensure that your child is in school, on time, every day. Please contact the school office if you need help with this- we are happy to support if we can. Last year our attendance was below national expectations - **We must work together to improve % next year** and welcome your support with this. Pupils must be in class for the start of the school day - classroom doors open at **8.45am** to help with a calm start. Overall attendance so far this year is **95.8%**. The class with the highest attendance this week is Nadia Shireen with 98.7%. Classes are very excited to win the attendance cup- you can help by ensuring your child attends every day.

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! Y2 parents, please note the date change below.

Joseph Coelho	20 th January 26
Yr 2 - date change!	10 th February 26
Nadia Shireen	3 rd March 26
Satoshi Kitamura	24 th March 26
Marcella Ferreira	5 th May 26
Tom Fletcher	19 th May 26
Oge Mora	9 th June 26

Honours Awards Autumn 2

- Foundation 1 - Aurora*
- Rashmi Sirdeshpande- Noah*
- J. Donaldson - Harrison-Blake*
- Marcela Ferreira - Max*
- Oge Mora- Oskar*
- Year 2 - Aaradhya*
- Tom Fletcher- Lola-Rose*
- Satoshi Kitamura - Rafi*
- Nadia Shireen- Evie*
- Joseph Coelho - Safaa*
- Onjali Q Raif- Elana*
- Lui Sit - Louie*
- Sharna Jackson - Olive*
- Malorie Blackman - Corbin-Jack*

'For demonstrating excellent investigative skills and knowledge in Science.'

Dates for your Diary

Last day of term	19 th Dec
INSET Day	5 th Jan
School open to pupils	6 th Jan
Y5 specialist dance	8 th Jan
Y4 Roman Day	14 th Jan
Boys Football @ New College	19 th Jan
Yr 3 Leicester Museum	28 th Jan
Y1+ 2 specialist dance	5 th Feb
Bikeability Y5	w/b 9 th Feb
Girls Football @ New College	9 th Feb
Y3 specialist dance	12 th Feb
Half Term	16 th - 20 th Feb



Leicester Community Safety Partnership

Dear Parents and Guardians

Leicestershire Police and Leicester City Council are committed to working together to address the root cause of crime and antisocial behaviour in our city. As part of this commitment, we collaborate closely with schools, community partners and families to develop effective strategies to respond to incidents and prevent harm before it occurs.

We are reaching out to you today to seek your support in safeguarding our young people, particularly at the end of each school term, when we have observed an increase in risky behaviours among children and young people.

On 20 December 2024, the final day of the Autumn term for most city schools, approximately 500 children and young people gathered in the city centre during the afternoon. This appears to have been a coordinated activity arranged via social media.

Many of the young people involved were identifiable by their school uniforms, with the majority believed to be from local secondary schools.

While similar gatherings have occurred in the past, the scale of this event was unprecedented. The levels of antisocial behaviour were deeply concerning, including significant disruption to businesses and people visiting the city centre, damage to police vehicles, and multiple incidents occurred requiring police intervention.

These incidents included two assaults on police officers, a sexual assault on a child, a breach of the peace, and several other assaults involving young people. At one point, the situation escalated to such an extent that a police dispersal order was necessary, and over 40 officers were deployed to restore order.

We are sure you will agree that this kind of behaviour is unacceptable. Not only does it risk drawing young people into criminal activity, but it also significantly increases the likelihood of them becoming victims of crime themselves.

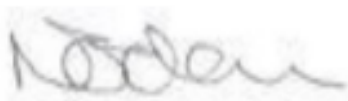
To prevent a recurrence of such incidents, Leicestershire Police, Leicester City Council, and school leaders across the city and county are asking for your support. Together, we can help ensure the safety and wellbeing of our young people by:

1. Having open conversations with your children about the risks associated with antisocial behaviour and the potential consequences of being involved in such activities.
2. Noting school finishing times on the last day of term and ensuring you know where your children are during this period.
3. Encouraging participation in alternative activities – Whether organised, informal or by accessing the range of facilities across the city, please highlight the opportunities to undertake positive activities out of school.

Our children and young people are a vital part of our community, and we want to support their freedom to enjoy the city in a safe and appropriate manner.

By working together, we can ensure that the events of last December are not repeated and that our young people continue to thrive in a positive and secure environment. Thank you for your cooperation and commitment to keeping our city safe place to live work and visit.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Nicola Odom
Head of Safer Communities
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NPA Commander
Leicestershire Police