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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.

*The end of the Spring term has now arrived- it doesn't seem that long since Christmas! It was great to see so many of you in school over the last couple of weeks, particularly during Parents' Evenings - a lovely way to hear how well your children are doing in their learning. We've also had several Parents' Events when classes invite parents in to share learning, have fun and take part in activities - we are aiming to plan at least 1 parent event per half term moving forward. I hope that you have a relaxing and peaceful break over the Easter holiday and we'll see you for the start on the Summer term on Monday 13th April.
Liz Latham.*

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. The class with the highest attendance this week is **Sharna Jackson with 99.3%. 97 children also achieved 100% attendance for the term.**

Classes are very excited to win the attendance cup and competition is really fierce- you can help by ensuring your child attends school every day! Please do ring the office if your child is unwell so that we can keep records updated.

Goodbye and good luck

We would like to wish Miss Pope goodbye and good luck as she leaves us to take up a new opportunity - I'm sure you will join with me in thanking her for her dedication and commitment to Queensmead over the last few years- thank you Miss Pope!

Dinner Bookings

Here are dates for booking your child's dinner

For wk/b 20th April order by Sun 12th April

For wk/b 27th April order by Sun 19th April

New menus are starting soon so please do discuss option choices with your child so that they know what to expect!



Arbor

Arbor App

Over the holiday, please download the Arbor app onto your mobile as all messages and notifications will come via the app - you may well miss out on important information if you don't have it!

Dates for your Diary

Break up for Easter	27 th Mar
School re-opens	13 th April
Colour Dash Assembly	14 th April
Culture Day	15 th April
Colour Dash Event	1 st May
Bank Holiday	4 th May
Y5 Orchestra Unwrapped trip to De Montfort Hall	6 th May
SATs week for Y6 pupils	11 th May
Creativity Council Event at DMU	17 th May
SparkArt performances	19 th May
Year 4 residential	20 th May
SparkArt performances	21 st May
Break up for half term	22 nd May



Health and Safety reminders

Please be reminded that we are a nut-free school - this includes any items that contain nut or nut paste. In order to reduce risks to younger pupils, please cut up their small items of fruit such as grapes.

Honours Awards Spring 2

- Foundation 1 - Taleen
- Rashmi Sirdeshpande- Aisha
- J. Donaldson - Alara
- Marcela Ferreira - Arabella
- Oge Mora- Rayyah-Nae
- Year 2- Frank
- Tom Fletcher- Razvan
- Satoshi Kitamura - L'Maiyah
- Nadia Shireen- Kaira
- Joseph Coelho - Kailen
- Onjali Q Raif- Elsie-Rae
- Lui Sit - Maria
- Sharna Jackson - Lola Jade
- Malorie Blackman - Orlaith

'For creative and talented skills.'

Last few Class Assembly Dates

Here are the last few class assembly dates. Class assemblies are on a Tuesday at 2.50pm in the main hall. See you there!

Marcella Ferreira	5 th May 26
Tom Fletcher	12 th May 26
Oge Mora	9 th June 26



TTRS Battle of the Bands!

1	Nadia Shireen	129,195
2	Joseph Coelho	101,997
3	Tom Fletcher	84,454

Congratulations to the winning class, Y4 Nadia Shireen, who earned 129,195 coins! The top 3 classes will be getting a certificate to display in their classroom and Nadia Shireen Class have earned a class reward.

The current battle ends on 7th April 2026 and Nadia Shireen class are in the lead, again! Please encourage your child to take part by playing any of the TTRS games

Important Information



Leicester
City Council

As the school term comes to an end, we want to make sure our pupils stay safe. Leicester City Council and Leicestershire Police have noticed an increase in risky behaviour, especially on the last day of term. To help prevent this, they are asking families to talk about the risks of antisocial behaviour and how to stay safe.

Please read the letter, attached below, which has important advice on how to keep your children safe during this time. We encourage you to have a conversation with your child about making positive choices and taking part in safe activities outside of school.

SEND Easter activity programme

Children with special needs and disabilities who live in Leicester can take part in free activities over the summer holidays. Siblings are welcome to attend, and parents/carers are required to accompany and support their children during the session.

A food hamper/voucher will be provided to those families attending where their child is receiving benefits related free school meals. There is also an opportunity for families to sign up for an emotional well-being workshop focused on managing anxiety, low self-esteem and low moods. Full information about the programme is available at families.leicester.gov.uk/disabled-childrens-activity-programme. Alternatively, view the [SEND Easter Programme \(pdf\)](#)

Leicester City Foxes!

Please see the flyer below to win a visit from Filbert Fox to Queensmead! Full prize draw terms and conditions are available [HERE](#).

FILBERT'S EASTER EGG HUNT

Elsewhere, there's even more Easter fun happening at King Power Stadium!

Families across the region can take part in Filbert's Easter Egg Hunt, with seven hidden eggs to discover around the stadium. Each egg has a QR code – scan them in the LCFC App to collect Easter Egg Points.

The more eggs you find, the better the prizes you could be in with a chance of winning, from signed merchandise to unforgettable experiences. Why not join in the hunt? Click [HERE](#) to find out more!

YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A VISIT FROM FILBERT FOX!



SCAN ME

Simply scan the QR code above and fill out the form to enter our prize draw for the chance to win a visit from Filbert Fox to your child's school or grassroots club.



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Click here instead to enter!

Terms & conditions apply and can be found at LCFC.com/terms.

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

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 December 2024 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.



Mrs Nicola Odom
Head of Safer Communities
Leicester City Council

Ryan Ludlam
NPA Commander
Leicestershire Police

Pop-Up Health Shop at The Grove

The Grove Community Cafe will be hosting a pop-up health shop/stand from the school nurse team. They will be giving health advice to parents about children and young people.

The areas that the nurse team can cover are:

- Contenance such as toilet training, constipation and bedwetting
- Healthy eating
- Supporting the anxious child
- Behaviour management
- Sleep
- Any other health concerns can be discussed and they will signpost to the relevant services if the team are unable to deal with them.

WHEN AND WHERE?

Wednesday 1st April 2026 and Thursday 2nd April 2026.

On both days a representative from the school nurse team will be present between 2pm and 4pm on both days.



This will be held at The Grove Community Cafe, located in The Grove Community Hub, Cort Crescent, LE3 1QZ.



Braunstone Job Fair

The Grove Community Hub,
Cort Crescent, Leicester LE3 1QZ

Wednesday 15th April 2026

10:00am - 1:00pm

Join us for a day of networking,
job opportunities in a variety of sectors,
and career growth as we connect job
seekers with local employers in the area

