



Larchfield Primary & Nursery School



Friday 10th October

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'Be the family you want'

Dear Parents and Carer givers,

Our values theme this we was 'Responsibility'
Our music genre was 'songs written and sung by Dolly Parton'

With our theme being responsibility, here we have all the children in school who have chosen to take on responsibilities and show Pride in the Badge, from Head pupils to Well being champions.



Thank you to everyone who donated to our Harvest Festival, all donations will go to our local Foodshare in Maidenhead. They have reached 15 years of helping the community, handing out 2,000,000 meals so far. As most are aware, we measure and work out the mean average for the class and this year we have a tie! The winning classes of the Harvest line up this year are Year 4 and 6, who donated .95m per child. They will choose their treat on Monday.



A special thank you goes to a mummy and daddy from Reception, who got creative and asked shops to support us too! We love creative thinkers, we look forward to seeing if they can help out with PTFA too! Fantastic!

If you feel you could contribute to PTFA events, including the Christmas Fair, please contact them at ptfa@larchfieldschool.co.uk many hands make light work, and also avoids events being cancelled due to lack of helpers. 😊

We would like to welcome many new families into our family. Since the start of term we have had over 10 new families join us, in addition to new Reception starters. Please help them to feel welcome and part of the community.



Next week, tickets will be on sale after school on the playground for the Halloween Disco. Tickets must be bought next week as it is ticket only.



Super fun artwork happening in Year 1 and 3 this week!

Well done to all our whole school certificate winners and last week's Hot Chocolate treat winners. Please note that our celebration assembly powerpoint is on the website – News and events/celebration assemblies

Supporting your child's wellbeing

How to help your child understand upsetting news	Just Say Stop	How to chat with your child about their mental health	Seven tips on how to help your child deal with rejection
School anxiety and refusal: How parents can help their child get through tough times	How can I help if my child feels lonely?	Five tips to handle the after school 'meltdown'	

Today has been World Mental Health Day, please see a link for parents around how you may be able to support your child.



https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/groups/cw9v6l8d0q6t?dm_i=3YNL,1QWO8,9J17T2,6UZ6Q,1

We received this last week, there is no connection with the school and we are not recommending it, but it may be useful for you to know it's there if you want to look into it further.

My name is Erik Wagter and I am one of the co-founders of Autism Family Support Service.

From this Tuesday (7th October), we are going to run free monthly online drop-ins for parents & carers. I have attached a leaflet about this service. It takes place every first Tuesday of the month from 7pm - 8.30.

If you have any parents and/or carers who you think will benefit from this service, please pass the leaflet on to them. Kind regards,

The Autism Family Support Service Team

www.autismfamilysupportservice.com

You Are Not Alone - Free Parent Online Drop-In

Parenting an autistic child can feel amazing, confusing, and overwhelming, sometimes all in the same day. That's why we host our no-cost monthly online drop-in sessions for parents and carers.

First Tuesday of every month
7pm - 8.30pm
Platform: Zoom

Erik Wagter - host of the drop-in

What these sessions are all about

We've created a safe, non-judgemental space where parents can bring their questions, share worries and connect with others who 'get it'.

Topics often included:

- Understanding and responding to challenging behaviour
- Making sense of autism on a deeper level
- The ups and downs of family relationships and dynamics
- Working with schools and professionals
- Meeting like-minded parents and realising you are not alone

What parents can expect to take away:

- Feeling heard, appreciated, and understood
- Knowing they are seen as the experts on their own child and family
- Feeling hopeful and having gained practical ideas

Who runs the sessions?

I'm Erik Wagter, co-founder of Autism Family Support Service. Alongside being a social worker, trainer and Solution Focused family coach, I also bring over two decades of personal lived family experience of autism.

If you would like to join please send an email to sallywagter@gmail.com and we will send you the Zoom link.

Autism Family Support Service
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Next Wednesday is the first of our annual new Reception tours, these are popular and so if you know a family who will have a school age child for September 2026 please encourage them to book a place and visit our super school.

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Have a great weekend

Mrs Kearney
Headteacher



**Please remember all questions to teachers or home learning communications should be sent to asktheteacher@larchfieldschool.co.uk. Absences and other enquiries go to the school office email larchfield@larchfieldschool.co.uk All new entries/changes are in green

Please note that events organised/supported by the PTFA can only go ahead if parents become more active members of the PTFA.

Date	Event
October	Black History Month
Wed 15th October – 9.30	New Reception 2026 tours
W/C 20 th October	Geography Week
Tues 21 st October – 9.00	Year 3 Sharing assembly
Wed 22 nd October	PTFA Halloween Disco – children bring their costume to school in a bag – no nail polish please. Tickets £3.50 sold by the PTFA only.
Thurs 23 rd October	Interim reports
Fri 24 th October	INSET Day
W/C 27 th October	Halt term (1 week)
Mon 3 rd Nov	INSET DAY
Tues 4 th November – 4.30pm -7.30pm	Parents’ Evenings
Thurs 6 th November	Flu immunisation for Rec/1/2/3/4/5/6
W/C 10 th Nov	Kindness Week
Tues 11 th Nov – 3.30-5.30	Parents’ Evenings
Tues 11 th November – 10.45	Remembrance Day service – parents welcome
Fri 14 th November	Mufti day – donations for Christmas fair donations please TBC
Wed 19 th November – 9.30	Reception 2026 tours
Tues 25 th November – 9.00	Year 4 sharing assembly
Wed 26 th November – 2.45	Maths workshop for parents/carers – place value
Wed 26 th November – 9.30	Reception 2026 tours
Wed 3 rd December	Reception 2026 tours
Thurs 4 th December	Snowflake Day – Christmas/winter themed tops
Sat 6 th December	Christmas Fair 11.00-2.30
Wed 10 th December – 11.00/3.00	Nursery sing-a-long with parents
Wed 10 th December – 9.30	iRock concert – invite only
Wed 17 th December	Christmas lunch
Thurs 11 th December – 9.30	YR – Nativity
Thurs 18 th December – 9.30	Y1/2 Nativity
Thurs 18 th December	Class parties
Fri 19 th December – 1.00 – school end 1.30’	Carols round the tree
Mon 22 nd Dec	Christmas break (2 weeks)
Mon 5 th January	Return to school
Wed 7 th January – 9.30	Reception 2026 tours
Tues 3 rd February – 9.00	Y1 sharing assembly
Tues 10 th February	Safer internet day
Mon 16 th February	Half term (1 week)
Mon 23 rd Feb	INSET DAY
W/C 2 nd March	Book Week
Fri 6 th March	World Book Day – themed costumes
Thurs 12 th March – 2.15	Mothers’ Day – Afternoon Tea – YR Mummies TBC
Fri 13 th March – 2.15	Mothers’ Day – Afternoon Tea – Y1 Mummies TBC
W/C 16 th March	Neurodiversity celebration week

Tues 17 th March	YR sharing assembly
Tues 24 th March	Spring Disco - TBC
Wed 25 th March – 9.30	iRock concert
Thurs 26 th March – 6.00	Y3/4 production
Fri 27 th March	Easter Bonnet Parade TBC
Fri 27 th March	Interim Reports
Mon 30 th March	Easter break (2 weeks)
Tues 14 th April 4.30-7.30pm	Parents' evenings
Thurs 16 th April 3.30-5.30pm	Parents' evenings
Mon 4 th May	Bank Holiday
W/C 11 th May	KS2 SATs Week
Tues 19 th May	Y5 Sharing assembly
Mon 25 th May	Half term (1 week)
Mon 1 st June	INSET Day
W/C Mon 1 st June	Start of Y4 Multiplication Check
Thurs 4/5 th June	Year 5 Camp
W/C 8 th June	Phonics Screening Check
Thurs 11 th June – 9.00	Year 2 Sharing assembly
Fri 12 th June	School Games Day (25 th reserve date)
Fri 19 th June – 2.15	Fathers' Day Scavenger Hunt – YR/1
Fri 19 th June	Mufti day – donations for Summer Fair please
Mon 15-17 th June	Y6 Paccar
Sat 4 th July	Summer Fair 11-2.30 TBC
Thurs 9 th July – 6.00	Y5/6 production
Thurs 9 th July – 4.00	2026 Reception children Teddy Bear Picnic
Wed 15 th July – 9.30	iRock concert
Thurs 16 th July – 6.00	Meet the Teacher evening
Fri 17 th July	End of year reports
Fri 17 th July	Year 6 Leavers' afternoon tea TBC
Monday 20 th July – 6.00	Y6 Awards night
Tues 21 st July	Whole school trip TBC
Wed 22 nd July – 1.30	End of term