



Larchfield Primary & Nursery School



2nd October 2026

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'Be the family you want'

Dear Parents and Carer givers,

Once again thank you for donating to the MacMillan Cancer Charity last week, our final amount which includes the QR donations is £443.95!! I'm afraid we couldn't include the old pound coin, the Euros or coins from North Macedonia 😞.

It was a great turn out by YR/1/2 parents and carers for our Phonics info workshop, thank you to KS1 staff for organising and leading. I hope you found it useful, working together is vital in our children's learning.

A message from Mr Berry

This week, the children in Year 1 have been introduced to **NumBots**, a fun and engaging online maths programme designed to help children develop their number skills, recall number facts and build confidence with addition and subtraction. The children have really enjoyed having a go and exploring NumBots in class. Your child's **NumBots login details can be found in their Reading Record**, and a **letter explaining more about NumBots is also included in their Reading Folder**. Please encourage your child to have a go at home when they can. Regular practice will help to strengthen their maths skills while keeping learning fun! ☀️



This month is Black History Month, where our children will be learning about this years theme of Honouring our Communities. Look out for the learning around this.

A message from RBWM

Desborough College - consultation on the school becoming a co-educational school

Desborough College is consulting parents, staff and governors in Maidenhead on a proposal that the school, which is currently a boys school, should admit girls into Year 7 from September 2028. You can find out more details about the consultation on the Desborough College website at <https://www.desborough.org.uk/coeducational-consultation.html>. This includes details on how you can make your views known. The consultation runs from 1st October 2026 to Friday 13th November 2026.

Message from Mr O'Brien

Bikeability at Larchfield



It has been a fantastic week of Bikeability at Larchfield! Our children have been enjoying developing their cycling skills and building their confidence on two wheels. Children have taken part in both Level



1 and Level 2, learning important skills such as bike control, braking, signalling, manoeuvring and riding safely around others. It has been wonderful to see the children challenging themselves, supporting one another and having lots of fun along the way!

Let's have a look at what some the children are up to in class.

Year 2 are really showing the importance of using different ways to learn. Creating birds from their designs and using objects to help them with their Maths.



Staying on the art theme, Year 5 learning about shading with chalk, very effective!



Year 3 showing some fab home learning and trying out their skills with bowls in PE.



Looks like we need to keep an eye on Year 6, or are they keeping an eye on us???



Please note **Year 6** families, that Arbor is now open for paying deposits for the residential. The payment plans are there, we hope they make it more achievable, rather than getting to the final date and finding it's too much. It would be amazing if we could get the same commitment to the residential that we had to the Y5 camp last year.

Please come along to our English parent and carers information workshop next Wednesday at 2.45 (start) in the hall. It will help you to be able to help your child learn.

Certificate winners this week.

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 are in green**

Date	Event
All October	Black History Month - Honouring Communities
Wed 7 th October – 2.45pm	English workshop for parents/carers – Reading (Whole School)
Fri 9 th October	World Mental Health Day
Wed 14 th October – 9.30am	New Reception 2026 tours
Friday 16 th October	PTFA AGM
W/C 19 th October	Twin Town Week
Tues 20 th October – 9.00am	Year 3 Sharing assembly
Wed 21 st October	Halloween Disco
Wed 21 st October	Interim reports
Thur 22 nd October	INSET Day
Fri 23 rd October	INSET Day
W/C 27 th October	Halt term (1 week)
Mon 2 nd November	Return to school
Friday 6 th November	Tempest School photos – family photos 8.00
W/C 9 th November	Kindness Week
Tues 10 th November – 3.30-5.30pm	Parents' Evenings

Wed 11 th November – 10.50am	Remembrance Day service – parents welcome
Thurs 12 th November – 4.30pm -7.30pm	Parents’ Evenings
Fri 13 th November	Mufti day – donations for Christmas fair tombola please
Wed 18 th November – 9.30am	Reception 2026 tours
Tues 24 th November – 9.00am	Year 4 sharing assembly
Wed 25 th November – 2.45pm	Maths workshop for parents/carers
Wed 25 th November – 9.30am	Reception 2026 tours
Thurs 3 th December	Snowflake Day – Christmas/winter themed tops
Fri 4 th December	Christmas Fair at 2.00pm
Fri 4 th December – 9.30am	Reception 2026 tours
Tuesday 8th December	Visiting Panto – whole school
Wed 9 th December - TBC	Nursery sing-a-long with parents
Thurs 10 th December – 9.30am	YR – Nativity
Tues 15 th December – 9.30am	Y1/2 Nativity
Wed 16 th December – 9.30am	iRock concert – invite only
Wed 16 th December	Christmas lunch
Wed 16 th December – 1.00pm	Class parties
Thurs 17 th December – 1.00 – school end 1.30	Carols round the tree
Thurs 17 th December	Home Learning Grids sent home for new topics
Fri 18th December	INSET
Mon 21st Dec	Christmas break (2 weeks)
Mon 4 th January	Return to school
Wed 6 th January – 9.30am	Reception 2026 tours
Tues 2 nd February – 9.00am	Y5 sharing assembly
Tues 9 th February	Safer internet day
Mon 15th February	Half term (1 week)
Mon 22 nd February	Return to school
Thurs 4 th March – 2.15pm	Mothers’ Day – Afternoon Tea – YR Mummies
Fri 5 th March	World Book Day – themed costumes
Fri 5 th March – 2.15pm	Mothers’ Day – Afternoon Tea – Y1 Mummies
W/C 15 th March	Neurodiversity celebration week
Tues 16 th March	YR sharing assembly
Wed 17 th March	Spring Disco
Thurs 18 th March – 1.45pm & 6.00pm	Y3/4 production
Wed 24 th March – 9.30	iRock concert
Wed 24 th March	Interim Reports
Thurs 25 th March	Easter Bonnet Parade
Thurs 25 th March	Home Learning Grids sent home for new topics
Fri 26th March	Bank Holiday
Mon 30th March	Easter break (2 weeks)
Mon 12 th April	Return to school
Tues 20 th April 4.30-7.30pm	Parents’ evenings
Thurs 22 nd April 3.30-5.30pm	Parents’ evenings
Mon 3rd May	Bank Holiday
W/C 10 th May	KS2 SATs Week
Wed 19 th – 21 st May	Y6 Paccar
Tues 18 th May	Y1 Sharing assembly
Mon 31st May	Half term (1 week)
Mon 7th June	INSET Day
Tues 8 th June	Return to school
W/C Mon 7 th June	Start of Y4 Multiplication Check
Thurs 10 th /11 th June	Year 5 Camp
W/C 14 th June	Phonics Screening Check
Thurs 17 th June	School Games day (25 th June reserve date)
Fri 18 th June – 2.15pm	Fathers’ Day Scavenger Hunt – YR/1
Fri 18 th June	Mufti day – donations for Summer Fair please

Thurs 29 th June – 9.00am	Year 2 Sharing assembly
Fri 2 nd July	Summer Fair 2.00pm – 4.30pm
Thurs 8 th July – 1.45pm & 6.00pm	Y5/6 production
Thurs 8 th July – 4.00pm	2026 Reception children Teddy Bear Picnic
Wed 14 th July – 9.30am	iRock concert
Wed 14 th July	End of year reports
Thurs 15 th July – 6.00pm	Meet the Teacher evening
Fri 16 th July – 2.00pm	Year 6 Leavers' afternoon tea
Mon 19 th July – 6.00pm	Y6 Awards night
Tues 20 th July	Whole school trip
Wed 21 st July	Home Learning Grids sent home for new topics
Wed 21 st July – 1.30pm	End of term




DREAM AND ENDEAVOUR

DESBOROUGH COLLEGE

> Open Evening

Thursday 8th October 2026
5.00pm – 8.00pm

Headteacher's Welcome Talks:
5.30pm & 6.30pm

Welcome to a new chapter for your child

For more than 130 years, Desborough College has helped young people grow in confidence, character and succeed.

Led by our new Headteacher Dr Parimal Bhatt, whose experience spans four high-performing Ofsted 'outstanding' schools, we are raising aspirations and creating fantastic opportunities for every student.

Our distinctive house system, established in 1897, remains at the heart of school life, fostering belonging, leadership and healthy competition.

At Desborough, students are challenged to excel academically, supported pastorally and encouraged to be creative, curious and courageous.

From Year 7 onwards, every student is known, valued and inspired to achieve their very best.



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8U COUNTY OPEN DAY

FOR PLAYERS BORN 2020, 2021 OR 2022

Sunday 18th October 2026 at Cox Green Leisure Centre, 12:00-13:15

Join 8U County Captain Rob Flynn and 10U Performance Lead Nigel Mann for an exciting session full of tennis fun, informal assessment, and valuable parent education.

This event is open to passionate players born in 2020, 2021, or 2022 who train regularly, want to increase their play, and are looking to progress to the next level.

Players must reside or be born in Berkshire and not currently be involved in the county set-up.

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TOUCH RUGBY YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CAMP

Youth players aged 5-17



Tuesday 27 to Wednesday 28 October

09:00-15:00

Maidenhead Rugby Club

£60 per player for 2 days
£35 for 1 day
10% discount for siblings

 **Skills development:** passing, catching, evasive running

 **Interpersonal skills:** communication, teamwork and creative problem-solving



 Email sammie@in2touch.com for information