



# Larchfield Primary & Nursery School



Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March

[www.larchfieldschool.co.uk](http://www.larchfieldschool.co.uk)

'Be the family you want'

Dear Parents and Care givers,

Our theme for the week is – Curiosity  
Our music focus of the week is – Lindsey Stirling  
Style: Electronic/Classical Crossover  
Period: 2010s-Present

Once again it was lovely holding our annual Mothers' Day Tea for those special people in the lives of Reception and Year 1 children. Thank you to the PTFA for organising and Year 6 leaders for helping out too.



I'm afraid I have to let you all know that our lovely Mrs Lawson, who has been part of the School Family for over 15 years, will be leaving us at Easter. She is on a new adventure moving to Lincolnshire.

I know you will all understand when I say we are devastated and will miss her terribly. She is a real rock within our School, knows everything and everyone, treating everyone to her cheery smile and support, no matter what needs doing. She is just a really fab person.

We also say goodbye soon to Mrs Pearce from Year 4, she will leave at Easter and we wish her well on her next adventure.

Next Week is **Neurodiversity Celebration Week**. Here is a message from Mrs Russell, our SENCo and Inclusion Lead.

*This week we will be celebrating Neurodiversity. We will start with a special assembly informing the children of different types of Neurodiversity and celebrate how we are all unique and with our own differences and talents. In class the children will choose one or two areas of neurodiversity to learn more about; Autism; ADHD; Dyslexia or Dyscalculia. There will be an in-house competition to design the best poster for Y1 and up and will be picked by Sally Lupton who is our SEN Governor.*

## Useful Links:

<https://www.neurodiversityweek.com/videos>

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<https://rbwm.afcinfo.org.uk/pages/local-offer/information-and-advice/education/about-sen-support-in-schools/ordinarily-available-provision>

Thank you to all those Year 5 parent who attended the camp meeting, Arbor is now open for payments, where you can pay in instalments to help or you can pay the £35 total. All details from the meeting are now on the Year 5 class page of the website.



The Dragon's Eyes are on Year 2 at the moment, have a look at these super creations which link to their Fire and Water theme.



Some of our Young Carers had a super creative session at Norden Farm this week.

This week we said a 'see you later' to Mrs Everett, as she starts her maternity leave. She loved her Baby Box gifts from staff and Year 1 parents. Thank you to everyone who contributed, I know she was stunned!



We have so many things going on outside the classroom this term. With the iRock concert, YR sharing assembly, the Y3/4 production of Robin Hood, Easter bonnet parade. Please see the flyer with details of the Spring Disco. Reception class don't pay and have their disco in the afternoon, with **no need** for any change of clothes. Everyone can bring a change to school in a bag if they would like to change. Let's make it an Easter 'Eggstravaganza'!! Ok, that's my first one, there will be more! 😊

What a great turn out by Year 5 parents and carers this week, all eager to find out more about the fantastic opportunity presented to their children at only £35 for 2 days of activities, camping and food!! Arbor is open now, but I'm afraid it's only for Year 5.





We, once again, welcomed Wayne Dixon and his team. They met with Year 6 to share 'Easter Cracked' with them.

Congratulations to certificate and 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](mailto:asktheteacher@larchfieldschool.co.uk). Absences and other enquiries go to the school office email [larchfield@larchfieldschool.co.uk](mailto: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
W/C 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Neurodiversity celebration week
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> March	YR sharing assembly
Tues 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Spring Disco – please see info in this newsletter
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> March – 9.30	iRock concert
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> March – 6.00	Y3/4 production
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Bonnet Parade
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Interim Reports
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter break (2 weeks)
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> April 4.30-7.30pm	Parents' evening
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> April 3.30-5.30pm	Parents' evening
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
W/C 11 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs Week
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Y5 Sharing assembly
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Half term (1 week)
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> June	INSET Day
W/C Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Start of Y4 Multiplication Check
Thurs 4/5 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 Camp
W/C 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Phonics Screening Check
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> June – 9.00	Year 2 Sharing assembly
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> June	School Games day (25 <sup>th</sup> reserve date)
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> June – 2.15	Fathers' Day Scavenger Hunt – YR/1
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Mufti day – donations for Summer Fair please
Mon 15-17 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 Paccar
Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fair 11-2.30 TBC
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> July – 6.00	Y5/6 production
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> July – 4.00	2026 Reception children Teddy Bear Picnic
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> July – 9.30	iRock concert
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> July – 6.00	Meet the Teacher evening

Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> July	End of year reports
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers' afternoon tea TBC
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July – 6.00	Y6 Awards night
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Whole school trip TBC
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> July – 1.30	End of term

Maidenhead Bridge Rotary Club  
Presents...

# Easter Family Fun Day



**Saturday 4th April 2026, 11am - 3pm**  
**Grenfell Park, Maidenhead**

Join us at this FREE to attend event to celebrate the Easter weekend. You may even see the Easter Bunny!

- Fun Fair Rides
- Stalls and games
- Easter Treasure Hunt
- and much, much more!

Please note some stalls and rides do charge

[www.maidenheadbridgerotary.org.uk](http://www.maidenheadbridgerotary.org.uk)



## PREMIER HOLIDAY CLUBS

more fun, more friendships, more smiles  
DURING THE EASTER BREAK!  
**HAF CAMPS**

**YOUR NEAREST MULTI-ACTIVITY CLUB**  
Venue: Larchfield Primary School, Maidenhead, SL6 2SG  
Dates: Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> of April 2026  
Times: 9:00am to 3:30pm  
Ages: Year 1 to Year 6  
Additional info: Hot food provided | Book via [EEQU.org](http://EEQU.org)

Our 5<sup>th</sup> Holiday Clubs are the perfect place to keep your little entertained during the holidays break.

And with the HAF programme, your children can attend sessions free of charge. Each session includes healthy food and outdoor activities.

Every day is different, with a mix of fun activities that children may not have tried before - from dogpaddling to cricket, basketball to archery.

Book now for loads of Easter fun!

**PLEASE BRING**  
Your own water bottle, sun cream, and a hat!

SCAN HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION



# MAIDENHEAD FESTIVAL

## SOUND LAB

UNLEASH YOUR INNER MUSICIAN AT THE SOUND LAB!

This May Half Term, dive into the world of music at Maidenhead Festival's Sound Lab - a fun, hands-on experience for all ages!

**Dates: Wed 8<sup>th</sup> & Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> April 2026**  
**Time: 10am - 3pm**  
**Location: Nicholson Shopping Centre**

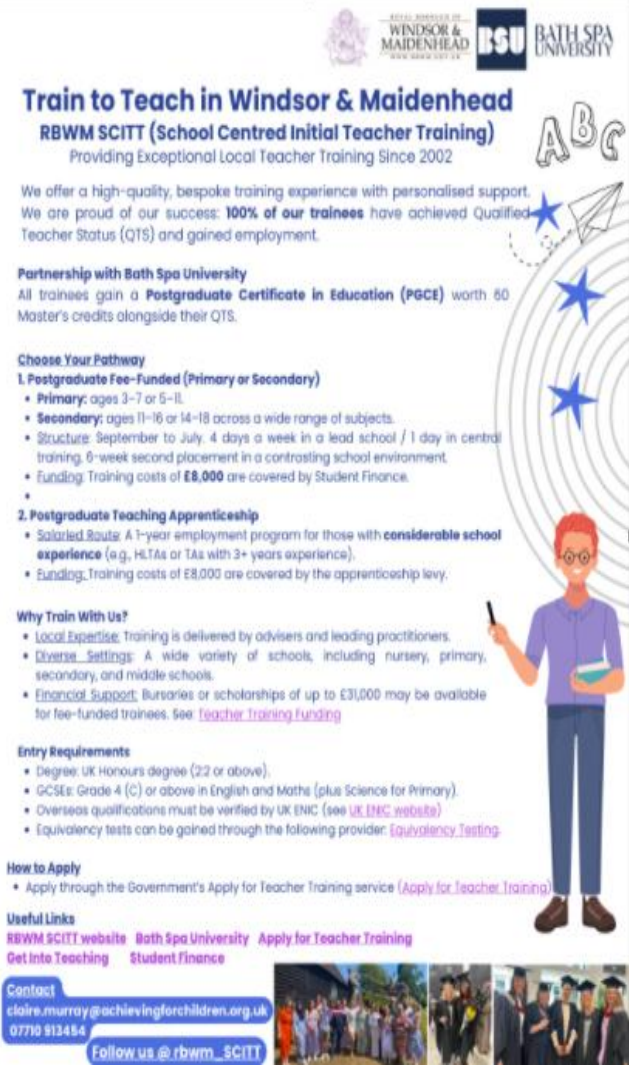
### FREE ENTRY

- Try instruments like trumpets, clarinets, saxophones, flutes, and pianos
- Join The Piano Sessions - showcase your talent, inspired by Channel 4's The Piano
- Plus other workshops to be announced!
- Fun for all-kids and adults welcome!

Don't miss this chance to explore music and discover your hidden talents!

Our Partners:

- BERKSHIRE MUSIC FESTIVAL
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- 1. Postgraduate Fee-Funded (Primary or Secondary)**
  - **Primary:** ages 3-7 or 5-11.
  - **Secondary:** ages 11-16 or 14-18 across a wide range of subjects.
  - **Structure:** September to July, 4 days a week in a lead school / 1 day in central training, 6-week second placement in a contrasting school environment.
  - **Funding:** Training costs of **£8,000** are covered by Student Finance.
- 2. Postgraduate Teaching Apprenticeship**
  - **Salaried Route:** A 1-year employment program for those with **considerable school experience** (e.g. H.TAs or TAs with 3+ years experience).
  - **Funding:** Training costs of £8,000 are covered by the apprenticeship levy.

**Why Train With Us?**

- **Local Expertise:** Training is delivered by advisers and leading practitioners.
- **Diverse Settings:** A wide variety of schools, including nursery, primary, secondary, and middle schools.
- **Financial Support:** Bursaries or scholarships of up to £30,000 may be available for fee-funded trainees. See [Teacher Training Funding](#)

**Entry Requirements**

- Degree: UK Honours degree (2:2 or above).
- GCSEs: Grade 4 (C) or above in English and Maths (plus Science for Primary).
- Overseas qualifications must be verified by UK ENIC (see [UK ENIC website](#))
- Equivalency tests can be gained through the following provider: [Equivalency Testing](#)

**How to Apply**

- Apply through the Government's Apply for Teacher Training service ([Apply for Teacher Training](#))

**Useful Links**  
[RBWM SCITT website](#) [Bath Spa University](#) [Apply for Teacher Training](#)  
[Get Into Teaching](#) [Student Finance](#)

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Stuart Heaton  
Managing Director

