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Hello everyone! Huge congratulations to Atal, Abdullah and Suhayb for their competitive spirit and resilience when participating in The Park Federation Maths Challenge 2024 on 7th February. It was an intense competition and our three pupils jointly achieved a third place. All their hard work and dedication paid off and their success is truly well deserved! A special thank you to Mrs Selvarathy and Mr McElwee for their admirable work in preparing and coaching the pupils.

I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to the Reception, Year1 up to Year 4 parents/carers who stay regularly for the Stay & Read sessions. Just watching you reading with your child for ten minutes, asking questions using the reading domains for retrieval, inference, sequencing, vocabulary and prediction, shows how much you care and aspire for your child/ren to make progress in his/her reading skills.

Gong Xi Fa Cai or Kong Hee Fatt Choy to all our Chinese pupils and families! According to the Chinese zodiac calendar, it is the start of the Year of the Dragon—which is considered to be a symbol of strength, courage and good fortune. Chinese families celebrate the 16-day long festival starting with New Year's Eve and ending with the Lantern Festival which falls on 24th February when lanterns are lit, people watch dragon dances in the streets and children answer lantern riddles! Hope our pupils enjoy their 16 days of celebrations!

Next week is half term holidays— do take the children out for fresh air and away from digital devices; do fun activities like arts and crafts, lots of reading, baking, cooking—whatever you choose to do; just have fun and a good rest!

Best wishes—Ms. H. Buttar



Events—Curriculum and Special Days

12th February 2024 to 16th February 2024—School closed for Half Term holidays

19th February 2024—Children return to school

20th February 2024—Parents Evening

21st February 2024—Parents Evening

Class Assembly for Parents/Carers :

2nd February 2024 at 2:45pm —Maryam Mirzakhani Class

9th February 2024 at 9:15am—Marie Curie

23rd February 2024 at 2:45pm—Nikola Tesla

1st March 2024 at 2:45pm—Charles Darwin

Coffee Morning with the Principal

Tea/ Coffee and Pastries will be served!

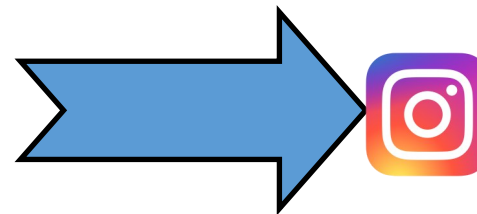
23rd February 2024—Spelling and Leading Partnership Award

17th March 2024—Habits of Discussion

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WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE



Top Attendance for the Week commencing 29/01/2024

	Week Commencing 29th of January 2024	Present: Marks	Learning hours Lost
1	Year 5: Katherine Johnson	99.6%	10
2	Year 3: Maya Angelou	99.3%	10
3	Year 1: Mole Class	97.8%	30
4	Year 4: Charles Darwin	97.8%	30
4	Year 5: Maryam Mirzakhani	97.0%	30
5	Year 3: Cressida Cowell	96.7%	37.5
6	Year 6: Norman Foster	96.7%	37.5
6	Year 6: Renzo Piano	96.3%	37.5
7	Year 6: Zaha Hadid	96.3%	37.5
7	Year 2: Fox	96.3%	37.5
8	Year 3: Charles Dickens	96.2%	37.5
9	Year 2: Otter	95.6%	47.5
10	Year 4: Nikola Telsa	95.1%	47.5
11	Year 4: Marie Curir	94.8%	55
12	Year 1: Squirrel Class	93.4%	65
13	Year 1: Rabbit Class	92.6%	75
14	Reception: Butterfly Class	91.5%	85
15	Reception: Ladybird Class	91.2%	85
16	Year 2: Badger	90.4%	95
17	Year 5: Archimedes	89.5%	105
18	Reception: Grasshopper Class	88.7%	115

Attendance Reminders

Lake Farm Park Academy has high expectations for every student from the moment they join our school. Children have the right to a high quality education and we provide this at Lake Farm Park Academy. High attendance is necessary to ensure that your child benefits fully from the learning opportunities on offer and to ensure they leave school having developed positive lifelong habits and as well rounded individuals.

Medical Appointments

Appointments, where possible, should be made outside of school hours or in the holiday period. This includes routine dental appointments. If this is unavoidable, your child should still attend school before or after the appointment where possible. Any session missed that was deemed reasonable to attend will be marked as unauthorised leave.

Absence Requests

Absence requests will only be considered for exceptional circumstances and these are dealt with on an individual basis.

What to do if your child cannot attend school:

Absence must be reported on a daily basis. You must contact the school (**before 9.00am**) on the first day of absence. This can be done by emailing

lfpaoffice@theparkfederation.org or by calling the school number 02085732622 option 1. Please leave the Child's name, class and the reason why they cannot attend school. If they are ill, please give a clear explanation of their condition. **For a prolonged absence due to illness, medical evidence will be requested.** This can be in the form of a prescription, medical paperwork or an appointment card/letter.



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PUNCTUALITY

How does this affect children?

If your child arrives late in school, he / she misses the teacher's instructions and the introduction to the lesson. They also disturb the learning of other students as the teacher has to acknowledge the lateness and go through the lesson with the child. Did you know how much learning children might miss out due to lateness?

Minutes late per day during school year	Equal days of teaching lost in a year
5 minutes	3.4 days
10 minutes	6.9 days
15 minutes	10.3 days
20 minutes	13.8 days
30 minutes	20.7 days

What can we do to help?

Ensure your child arrives on time. Children are able to come onto the school grounds at 8:30am or book them in the breakfast club through Get Active

Prepare for school the night before, including your book bag, lunch and uniform etc.

Punctuality is important for children to start the day well but also a good habit for life. If you need support or advice about punctuality please contact Miss. Dickerson or email

lfpaoffice@theparkfederation.org