

Hello everyone! LFPA received a congratulation letter from the Minister of Schools, Rt. Hon. Damian Hinds, on our achievements in the 2023 multiplication tables check. Our average pupil score was 24.3 out of 25 which makes LFPA one of the top 200 performing schools in England for the Multiplication tables check. There are nearly 17,000 primary schools in England, so this puts LFPA MTC 2023 results as being in the top 1% of schools! Well done to all the pupils and staff who have worked diligently to achieve such amazing results—the Federation, Academy Council, parents and I are really proud of this impressive achievement and recognition!

Congratulations to Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Nair for being our very first staff members to be inducted to our Staff Hall of Fame. Please see the attached pictures and description of their wonderful contributions to our aspirational LFPA community—I am extremely proud to be working with dedicated, committed and truly professional colleagues such as Mrs Nair and Mrs Adams!

Finally, please follow us **on @LakeFarmParkAca on Twitter and #lakefarmparkacademy on Instagram** to see pictures of LFPA pupils and their learning in the classrooms. We would like to be the first school in the Federation to have over 1000 followers so can I please urge all parents/carers to download Instagram and Twitter to follow us. In addition please encourage your family and friends to follow us as well.

Let's aim to surpass the 1000 followers mark in the next few weeks!

*Best wishes—Ms. H. Buttar*



## Events—Curriculum and Special Days

2nd February 2024—Year 1 Natural History Museum Trip

6th February 2024 - Nursery Stay and Play from 8:30am to 10am & 12:30pm to 2pm

7th February 2024—Year 6—WW2 workshop

7th February 2024—Year 2 Chocolate workshop

9th February 2024—Pancake Party—Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 at 2pm; Year 3 to Year 6 from 2:30pm

9th February 2024—Last day of Spring term 1—school finishes at normal time

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

19th February 2024—Children return to school

Coffee Morning with the Principal (this will at 9am on the below mentioned dates)

Tea/ Coffee and Pastries will be served!

23rd February 2024—Spelling and Leading Partnership Award

### 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



**Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP**  
Minister for Schools

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*Dear Ms Buttar,*

I am writing to congratulate you on your school's achievements in the 2023 multiplication tables check.

Your average pupil score of 24.3 out of 25 makes Lake Farm Park Academy one of the top 200 performing schools in England for the multiplication tables check. The excellent achievement of your pupils is something the Government hopes to see replicated in schools across the country.

Knowing times tables is vital for school and day-to-day life. Recalling multiplication and division facts up to 12x12 is important for progression in maths. That is why we introduced these checks, as a helpful tool for teachers to identify those pupils who need extra support.

I would like both to congratulate your staff and pupils for their hard work and to thank you for your leadership in continuing to promote the important subject of mathematics.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Hinds'.

**Damian Hinds**  
Minister for Schools

## Hall of Fame

*Dear Mrs. Adams*

*I would like to congratulate you on being the first senior staff member of Lake Farm Park Academy to be inducted into the Hall of Fame! A truly, deserved honour for an exceptional staff member as yourself who embodies the values of The Park Federation.*

*Your outstanding contributions have not gone unnoticed, and I want to take a moment to acknowledge and celebrate your hard work.*

*Your commitment to excellence is truly commendable. Whether it's your class, team or phase, your continuous efforts to strive the best for every child, colleague or family. Your work and high aspirations for the pupils consistently exceeds our expectations. Your attention to detail, creativity, diligence; and ability to gather your troops, have had a profound impact on the phase and the overall success of Lake Farm Park Academy since starting your professional journey as a classroom teacher.*

*Moreover, your positive attitude and willingness to go above and beyond to ensure the success of the team have not only inspired your colleagues but have also contributed significantly to the positive work environment we strive to maintain at the academy.*

*In addition to your technical prowess, you consistently demonstrate a commitment to continuous improvement. You eagerly take on new challenges, embrace learning opportunities, and proactively seek ways to enhance your skills for the benefit of the team and pupils. Your dedication and hard work do not go unnoticed (including your breakfast banquets!), and we are fortunate to have you as a valued member of LFPA.*

*Please accept our heartfelt gratitude for your exceptional contributions, and we look forward to your continued leadership here - a shining beacon of exceptional service and standard of excellence that everyone in the Trust should aspire towards!*

*Yours truly*

*Mrs. Buttar - Principal*



## Hall of Fame

*Dear Mrs. Nair,*

*I would like to congratulate you on being the first staff member of Lake Farm Park Academy to be inducted into the Hall of Fame! A truly, deserved award for an exceptional staff member as yourself who embodies the values of The Park Federation.*

*I would like to express my sincere appreciation for your dedication, professionalism, and commitment to excellence which has truly set you apart from all the staff.*

*From the moment I first interacted with you, I was impressed by your unwavering enthusiasm, courtesy, kindness, humility, generosity, infectious laugh, beautiful smile and positive attitude. Your thorough knowledge of the academy is greatly appreciated by everyone in the academy, including new employees, visitors and HMIs too.*

*You are truly a great inspiration to all our colleagues, pupils and families. You approach challenges with a calm demeanour and demonstrate a remarkable ability to find effective solutions promptly. Your attention to detail and commitment to ensuring customer satisfaction is evident in the positive feedback we receive from parents and visitors.*

*Many staff have heaped a multitude of accolades on you, and invented complimentary titles for you such as 'Mother India' or 'Fairy Godmother'. However the one title I can give you is 'The Philosopher' as you have bestowed a huge amount of knowledge, skills and intuition upon me for which I will forever be thankful!*

*What truly distinguishes you, dear Mrs. Nair, is your exceptional teamwork and collaboration skills. You seamlessly integrate with colleagues, fostering a positive and productive work environment. Your willingness to go above and beyond to support team members and the academy as a whole showcases a rare level of dedication that is truly commendable.*

*On behalf of The Park Federation, the staff, pupils and families I would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for your exceptional service and for setting a standard of excellence that others in the Trust should strive to achieve!*

*Yours truly—Ms. Buttar—Principal*



# WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE



## Top Attendance for the Week commencing 15th January

	Week Commencing 15th January	Attendance %	Learning hours Lost
1	Year 4: Charles Darwin	97.2%	30
2	Year 5: Katherine Johnson	96.2%	37.5
3	Year 3: Maya Angelou	96.0%	37.5
4	Year 4: Nikola Telsa	95.9%	47.5
4	Year 3: Charles Dickens	95.9%	47.5
5	Year 3: Cressida Cowell	95.6%	47.5
6	Year 6: Norman Foster	95.2%	47.5
6	Year 5: Maryam Mirzakhani	95.2%	47.5
7	Year 4: Marie Curie	94.9%	55
7	Year 1: Mole Class	94.9%	55
8	Year 6: Renzo Piano	94.6%	55
9	Year 2: Otter	94.4%	55
10	Year 2: Badger	94.2%	55
10	Year 1: Squirrel Class	94.2%	55
10	Year 2: Fox	94.2%	55
11	Year 5: Archimedes	93.8%	65
12	Year 1: Rabbit Class	93.6%	65
13	Year 6: Zaha Hadid	92.9%	75
14	Reception: Butterfly Class	92.8%	75
15	Reception: Ladybird Class	90.2%	95
16	Reception: Grasshopper Class	87.5%	125

## Top Attendance for the Week commencing 22/01/2024

	Week Commencing 22nd January	Attendance %	Learning hours Lost
1	Year 4: Marie Curie	97.8%	30
2	Year 3: Maya Angelou	97.4%	30
3	Year 4: Nikola Telsa	97.3%	30
4	Year 5: Maryam Mirzakhani	97.1%	30
5	Year 3: Charles Dickens	96.9%	37.5
6	Year 5: Archimedes	96.4%	37.5
7	Year 6: Norman Foster	96.3%	37.5
7	Year 1: Rabbit Class	96.3%	37.5
8	Year 3: Cressida Cowell	94.7%	55
9	Reception: Butterfly Class	94.4%	55
9	Year 2: Otter	94.4%	55
10	Year 6: Zaha Hadid	94.1%	55
11	Reception: Ladybird Class	93.7%	65
11	Year 1: Mole Class	93.7%	65
12	Year 1: Squirrel Class	92.2%	75
13	Year 5: Katherine Johnson	91.9%	85
14	Year 4: Charles Darwin	91.2%	85
15	Reception: Grasshopper Class	91.1%	85
16	Year 2: Fox	89.7%	105
17	Year 6: Renzo Piano	88.9%	115
18	Year 2: Badger	83.5%	160

## 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.



# Lake Farm Park Academy

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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