

Happy New Year 2023! Happy Lohri and Happy Thai Pongal to all LFPA pupils and their families! It is a festival for farmers as it is related to harvesting of food grains and they come together to celebrate it. The entire nation of India welcomes the new season of harvest in different styles, according to their region, culture and tradition.

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 Rabbit. The zodiac sign, rabbit is a symbol of longevity, peace and prosperity. Many Chinese children wear hats or shoes with a rabbit image for good luck.

At the end of last term, all pupils in years reception to year 6 were assessed and those who have not made enough progress in their learning, have been allocated boosters for before and after school. Can parents/carers please ensure their children attend the boosters weekly and punctually, otherwise the space could have been allocated to other pupils. This would also ensure that your child develops the drive and ambition to achieve their targets and goals which are important life skills. My heartfelt gratitude to those parents who are aspirational for their child/ren and work together with the staff to support their child/ren's learning.

Warm regards *Ms. H. Buttar*

Events—Curriculum and Special Days

- 13th January 2023—Archimedes Class Assembly
- 17th January 2023—Reception hearing and vision checks by school nurse
- 19th January 2023—Special Menu for Census Day
- 20th January 2023—Katherine Johnson Class Assembly & Dodgeball tournament
- 23rd January 2023—Chinese New Year Special Menu
- 26th January 2023—Year 5 Trip to Hampton Court
- 27th January 2023—Maryam Mirzakhani Class Assembly
- 01st February 2023—Y6 trip to V&A Museum
- 03th February 2023—Marie Curie Class Assembly
- 10th February 2023—Charles Darwin Class Assembly
- 13th February 2023 to 17th February 2023—Half Term holidays—Children will not attend school

Coffee Morning with the Principal

Tea/ Coffee and Pastries will be served!

10th February 2023 —Focus will be
Spelling

17th March 2023—Habits of Discussion

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE



Top Attendance for the Week commencing 05/12/2022

Top Attendance for the Week commencing 12/12/2022

Top Attendance for the Week commencing 03/01/2023

	Week Commencing 5/12/2022	
1	Year 3: Charles Dickens	97.3%
2	Year 1: Squirrel Class	96.8%
3	Year 4: Nikola Telsa	95.3%
4	Year 4: Charles Darwin	95.0%
5	Year 6: Renzo Piano	94.1%
6	Year 3: Cressida Cowell	93.4%
7	Year 5: Maryam Mirzakhani	91.9%
8	Year 6: Zaha Hadid	91.4%
9	Year 2: Otter	89.7%
10	Year 3: Maya Angelou	89.3%
11	Year 5: Archimedes	88.7%
12	Reception: Butterfly Class	87.6%
13	Year 6: Norman Foster	86.4%
14	Reception: Ladybird Class	82.8%
15	Year 4: Marie Curie	82.8%
16	Year 5: Katherine Johnson	82.7%
17	Reception: Grasshopper Class	80.0%
18	Year 2: Badger	80.0%
19	Year 1: Rabbit Class	79.7%
20	Year 2: Fox	78.3%
21	Year 1: Mole Class	78.0%

	Week Commencing 12/12/2022	
1	Year 3: Charles Dickens	93.3%
2	Year 6: Renzo Piano	88.5%
3	Year 6: Norman Foster	85.3%
4	Year 4: Nikola Telsa	85.0%
5	Year 2: Fox	84.7%
6	Year 5: Archimedes	83.3%
7	Year 4: Charles Darwin	82.5%
8	Year 3: Maya Angelou	80.8%
9	Year 1: Squirrel Class	80.5%
10	Year 5: Maryam Mirzakhani	79.9%
11	Year 4: Marie Curie	79.1%
12	Year 6: Zaha Hadid	78.6%
13	Year 3: Cressida Cowell	78.4%
14	Year 5: Katherine Johnson	77.4%
15	Year 2: Badger	75.0%
16	Year 2: Otter	75.0%
17	Year 1: Mole Class	74.6%
18	Year 1: Rabbit Class	70.4%
19	Reception: Ladybird Class	68.1%
20	Reception: Grasshopper Class	66.4%
21	Reception: Butterfly Class	63.8%

	Week Commencing 03/01/2023	
1	Year 3: Charles Dickens	98.3%
2	Year 3: Cressida Cowell	97.9%
3	Year 3: Maya Angelou	97.5%
4	Year 1: Rabbit Class	95.7%
5	Year 6: Zaha Hadid	94.2%
6	Year 4: Nikola Telsa	93.3%
7	Year 4: Charles Darwin	92.9%
8	Year 1: Squirrel Class	92.1%
9	Year 5: Archimedes	91.7%
10	Year 2: Otter	91.3%
11	Year 5: Maryam Mirzakhani	90.6%
12	Year 1: Mole Class	90.4%
13	Reception: Ladybird Class	87.9%
14	Reception: Grasshopper Class	85.3%
15	Year 5: Katherine Johnson	85.0%
16	Year 2: Badger	84.2%
17	Year 4: Marie Curie	84.2%
18	Year 6: Norman Foster	82.6%
19	Reception: Butterfly Class	81.9%
20	Year 6: Renzo Piano	81.8%
21	Year 2: Fox	80.0%

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

Parents attending Reading Workshop on 13th January 2023



Paid school meals - Year 3 to Year 6

Each meal costs £2.20 per day. This means that if you wish your child to have lunch every day, you need to ensure that your account is in credit by at least £11.00 every Monday.

If your account is not in credit by at least £2.20 each day your child will not be entitled to a full school lunch. Instead he/she will receive a subsistence meal consisting of bread and salad. Pabulum staff check this before preparing and serving the children their food.

If you require support with ParentPay please come into the school office where we can try and support you.

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)