

Dear Parents/Carers,

It was absolutely amazing to welcome 63 parents to our first Principal's coffee morning & workshop on Phonics and Reading on Friday 23rd September at 9 am in the Hall. I am really grateful to the parents who came and learnt how Phonics is taught here and how you can support your child/ren to use their phonetic knowledge to decode and read fluently. Our school's curriculum priorities for this academic year were also shared with the parents/carers who attended.

I am pleased to announce that our first week of Stay & Read in KS1 was launched on Monday 26th September. Please come to these sessions which take place every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8.45 to 8.55 am in Years 1 & 2 classrooms. English and dual language books are available with reading domain questions in English, Somali, Urdu, Panjabi and Hindi on the tables. Your children really value the 10 minutes you spend sitting down with them in their classroom to read, discuss, question and even be next to them! The feedback from the pupils, staff and parents/carers this week has been positive.

ELECTIONS FOR HEAD BOY/GIRL AND DEPUTY HEAD BOY/GIRL—Years 5 & 6 pupils have put in their applications, teachers have read these and the finalists have been announced! Next week you will see these finalists campaigning in the playgrounds after school; and all pupils and parents will have the opportunity to cast their votes next Thursday, 6th October in the Music room/small hall. How exciting!

Finally don't forget to book your family tickets for The Happy Circus show returning to LFPA after the pandemic.

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The Happy Circus show will be returning on Census Day Thursday 6th October.

<https://www.happycircus.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/HC-2021-Promotional-Video.mp4>

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/happys-circus-at-lake-farm-park-thursday-6th-october-2022-tickets-324847917867>

Events—Curriculum and Special Days

- 1st October - Black history month begins
- 4th October - World space week begins
- 5th October - World teacher day
- 6th October—Happy Circus at Lake Farm Park Academy—Book your tickets now
- 6th October—Special Menu from Pabulum
- 14th October—Principal's coffee morning & Maths workshop with parents delivered by Mr McElwee and school council
- 20th October—Halloween disco
- 21st October to 28th October—School closed for Half Term holidays
- 24th October—Diwali
- 31st October—Children return to school

Whole School Attendance

Top Attendance for the Week commencing 05/09/2022

	Week Commencing 5/09/2022	
1	Charles Dickens	98.6%
2	Nikola Telsa	96.9%
3	Cressida Cowell	95.9%
4	Otter	95.4%
5	Maya Angelou	95.0%
6	Archimedes	94.2%
7	Charles Darwin	94.1%
8	Zaha Hadid	91.9%
9	Norman Foster	91.1%
10	Mole Class	90.6%
11	Katherine Johnson	90.4%
12	Squirrel Class	89.3%
13	Marie Curie	87.7%
14	Fox	87.6%
15	Maryam Mirzakhani	86.9%
16	Rabbit Class	86.6%
17	Badger	86.1%
18	Renzo Piano	85.4%

Top Attendance for the Week commencing 12/09/2022

	Week Commencing 12/09/2022	
1	Archimedes	99.3%
2	Otter	98.7%
2	Maya Angelou	98.7%
3	Badger	98.6%
4	Rabbit Class	97.9%
5	Charles Dickens	97.6%
6	Nikola Telsa	96.9%
7	Squirrel Class	95.7%
8	Charles Darwin	95.2%
9	Katherine Johnson	94.0%
10	Cressida Cowell	92.8%
11	Mole Class	92.0%
11	Fox	92.0%
12	Butterfly Class	91.4%
13	Zaha Hadid	89.3%
14	Renzo Piano	89.1%
15	Grasshopper Class	88.5%
16	Maryam Mirzakhani	88.4%
17	Marie Curie	88.3%
18	Norman Foster	87.9%
19	Ladybird Class	87.3%

Top Attendance for the Week commencing 20/09/2022

	Week Commencing 20/09/2022	
1	Charles Dickens	100.0%
2	Badger	99.1%
3	Nikola Telsa	98.3%
3	Cressida Cowell	98.3%
4	Archimedes	98.2%
5	Otter	97.5%
6	Rabbit Class	97.4%
7	Butterfly Class	95.7%
8	Renzo Piano	95.5%
9	Charles Darwin	94.8%
10	Grasshopper Class	94.0%
11	Katherine Johnson	93.3%
11	Marie Curie	93.3%
11	Fox	93.3%
12	Norman Foster	92.9%
12	Maryam Mirzakhani	92.9%
13	Maya Angelou	92.1%
13	Mole Class	92.1%
14	Squirrel Class	91.2%
15	Zaha Hadid	88.5%
16	Ladybird Class	87.1%

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