

NEWSLETTER

LEICESTER GRAMMAR JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Dear parents,

This week has flown by and has rejoiced in an additional celebration assembly. The children are so talented and so busy; there is always something new to learn about each other. But, it's not just the children! Today, as we played our fun 'community guessing game' (ask the children about it) Mrs Regan came to the front and we enjoyed finding out about her passions beyond music, outside of school. She had every reason to celebrate with us and we were thrilled that she shared, Thank you Mrs Regan.

Music practises are hotting up in anticipation of our various end of term events. The choir sounded marvellous and I look forward to our annual outdoor concert on Thursday at 6pm. Do come along if you are able, and bring a cushion and a blanket.

Join me in wishing the very best of luck to Year 5 who are embarking on their transfer tests for senior school this week. We know that they will all do their best, and that they have a residential trip to look forward to at the end of the tests.

Have a super weekend, with warmest wishes,

Sophia Ashworth Jones

Headmistress

Weekly Communications Round Up - Events & Reminders

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
ALL CHILDREN/ Key Stage Groups					
EYFS & Year 1	See tapestry				
Year 2		Welcome to Year 3 LGJS Hall 4pm			
Year 3					
Year 4				Summer Concert EYFS Playground 6.00pm	
Year 5	Girls Football Festival				U10 Mixed Cricket v The Elms – Away 1.30pm
Year 6	Brooke Priory 2.00pm		U11 Boys Cricket v Bilton Grange - away U11 Girls Cricket v Witham Hall - away		

Key Upcoming Dates

Monday 5 th June	Year 6 DT Day at LGS
Tuesday 6 th June	Year 6 DT Day at LGS. Welcome to Year 2 LGJS Hall 4.00pm
Wed 7 th June	U11 Cricket v Ratcliffe – away 2.00pm. Welcome to Year 4,5,6 LGJS Hall 4.00pm
Thursday 8 th June	U9 Cricket v Ratcliffe – home 3.30pm. Year 3 Big Camp Residential
Friday 9 th June	U10 Cricket v Ratcliffe – away 2.30pm. Rec. H Forest School – am. Rec W Forest School – pm. Year 3 Big Camp Residential

Key Dates for Trinity Term

SPORTS WEEK			
Monday 19th June KS1 Sports Afternoon (1:30pm)			
Tuesday 20th June Ultimate Frisbee festival			
Wednesday 21st June KS2 Sports Day (8:45 – 3:30)			
Thursday 22nd June Early Years Sports Afternoon (1:30pm)			
Friday 23rd June Years 5 & 6 Triathlon Day			
YEAR 6 PRODUCTION / LEAVERS PARTY/ PRZIE GIVING			
28 TH & 29 TH June Year 6 Production (LGS Drama Studio, 7:00pm)			
30 TH June Year 6 Leavers' Party			
Monday 3rd LGJS Prizegiving (St Nicholas Hall, 1:30pm)			

INFORMATION REGARDING SUMMER CONCERT

Thursday 25th May is the Summer Concert for years 3 to 6 choir, orchestra, flute and recorder ensembles and various string groups. All children performing should have received a letter with details, however please do send them to me to collect a letter if they have not received one.

The concert starts at 6pm and all parents, carers and extended families are welcome to join us for this celebration of music across the school. I very much hope we have the weather on our side and that the concert will be able to take place outside on the Kinders playground.

Please do bring a CAMPING CHAIR to sit on as there will not be seating available for everyone to sit on. You are also welcome to bring a picnic.

Please remind the children to practice their music over the coming week and to remember any relevant music and instruments on the day.

I look forward to seeing you there!

Mrs Regan

SPORT

It's been an incredible couple weeks of sport with cricket pushing through a tough weather week and the U10s taking advantage of the year 6's being away in France! Please see a separate report for the IAPS golf entry on Thursday 11 May.

Rising Sports Stars

Ayanna Elezi for her exquisite running form, smashing her 200m race in PE

Pippa Kay for her superb long distance welly wanging and super 30m sprints!

Match Reports

U11 Girls Cricket v Stoneygate (A) 3/5/2023

Lost 227 - 242 runs

An Under 11 girls team travelled to Stoneygate to play a Kwik Cricket fixture. The teams were evenly matched and both teams made some great hits which crossed the boundary to score 4 runs. Well done to Poppy Scales, Idil Ozyigit and Avni Obeja who all scored 4 runs. Aanya Chauhan and Hana Akhtar both made fantastic catches to claim a wicket. Unfortunately strong bowling from Stoneygate meant we lost some wickets which eventually made a difference in the score line. However it was a great afternoon of cricket on a sunny May afternoon.

Players Player Hana Akhtar

U10 Boys Cricket v Wellingborough & Stoneygate

Won by 13 run and 25 runs

Somehow we managed to complete two fixtures last week for the U10s, travelling to Wellingborough Wednesday and hosting Stoneygate Friday. The U10s we ably supported by Domonic, Josh & Felix in prep who performed superbly with bat and ball against a strong Wellingborough U10s. With good bowling accuracy in Ethan, they struggled to get up to our total set of 130, managing to take a couple of late wickets. Vikram, Samraaj & year 4 Toby made debuts v Stoneygate and it was Toby who opened the batting and led from the front with powerful hitting. Vikram bowled with superb accuracy and deserved his wicket. Never in a junior game have I seen 2 wicket maidens, & 2 maidens bowled consecutively. It was excellent to watch with some real talent in the U10s.

Toby Baines came into the team and made a real impact.

U11 County cricket 6 a side v Ratcliffe & Fairfield 15/05/2023

Lost by 6 wickets to Ratcliffe & 14 runs to Fairfield

6 a side is always a tricky format with huge gaps in your field. We set Ratcliffe 67 to win batting first, Aiden with a steady 17 and Rumit 9, we couldn't convert singles to boundaries. When bowling their opening partnership punished us, with one player hitting 48 not out by doing what we failed to do in a 4 count! Against Fairfield they batted consistently, and we were a little naive to not set our field a little deeper and learn when to squeeze the ball or go for the run out. In the run chase Thom and Imogen kept up with the run rate, Imogen finishing on 17 with two lovely cover drives for 4. We just needed a little more power in our batting, and bowling know how to keep the runs down. Great afternoon.

Thom Baines double wicket over, slowed Fairfield early and a superb 29 with the bat with a pleasure to watch.

IAPS National Golf championships at Minchinhampton GC, Gloucestershire. Thursday 11 May



This was such a great opportunity for LGJS to enter Anay Patel into the event. An early start for the 2:30 journey gave plenty of time for preparation on the putting green, range and chipping. Conditions were perfect, sunshine, minimal breeze and the course was quite spectacular. Schools from around the country were in attendance from Millfield, Seaford College and Eagle House.

Anay's tee off time started him on the 10th with two fellow competitors in the U10 category. A not so simple start saw them drive over water and the challenges kept on coming with tricky bunker positions. After 9 holes Anay came in with 17 points. Time for a hot lunch before hitting the front 9 which was a little longer in distance. His threesome kept standards so high and only a few points separated them at the end. On the final hole (9th) Anay holed out for a birdie to give him a total of 38 points!

Anay achieved 2nd place, only to miss out on 1st by 1 point (39 winner)

Such a great achievement for a year young competitor with the challenge firmly laid out to go one better next year! Many thanks to his parents for supporting on the day.

Mr Harrison



Huge congratulations to Noah Stewart on winning the U11's Leicestershire County Cup with his football team Aylestone Park.

PHOTO BOARD

Junior Art Club

Year 5 and 6 Art club enjoyed using the chalk pastels to create their own pavement art this week! There were lots of different designs and the girls enjoyed being outside. Please look at the beginnings of their artwork when you come into school, before the rain washes all their hard work away.



Reception O Assembly











Lucy's excellent dog drawing

Reception W 'Welly Wanging'







Easter Egg Competition

Thank you to all the children that entered the competition, all the Easter Egg art work was superb! We had 38 entries from Kinders, Reception and Years 1-5.

One winner was selected per year:

- Kinders SH Jaikara Aulak
- Rec W- Arav Patel
- 1C-Riya
- 2JT- Jeona Aulak
- 3D- Shayan
- 4T Harry Small
- 5D Maryam Ibrahim

All children who entered have received a treat for their amazing art work!















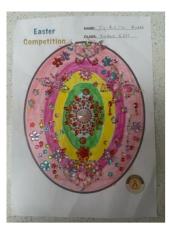




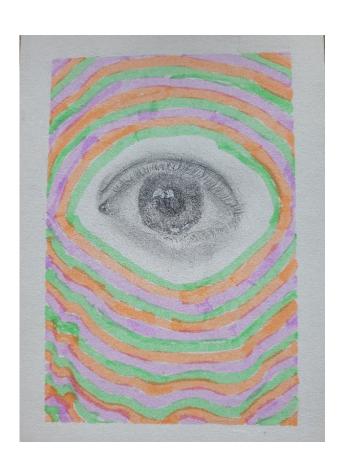








Nieve Heslop RA submission





Headteacher Awards:

Congratulations to the following children who have achieved a Headteacher Award this week:

Arjun Desai	4D	Fabulous letter writing
Sebastian Geraghty	4C	Brilliant teamwork and perseverance
Savraaj Punia	Rec H	Excellent reading

Housepoints:

St. Andrew's	St. Cuthbert's	St. Giles	St. Mary's
Simran Hundle	Annabelle Fulton	Aleyna Sadiq	Jayen Bhandari
Philippa Hird	Maqsooda Arif	Shreeya Bhalla	Philip Wardlaw
Arjun Desai	Vihaan Gupta	Boni Budhdeo Sherwin	William Inchley
Ahaan Jaiswal	Pippa Rissbrook	Anaiyaa Bains	Eki Iyasere
Maryam Ibrahim	Hakan Shaban	William Harrison	Charles Hardwicke
	Veer Bains	Hana Rahuf	Tvisha Kamboj
	Zach Haycock Huss		Subaig Singh
	Rocco Gill		
	Aishani Sarkar		
TOTAL 201	TOTAL 237	TOTAL 225	TOTAL 228

Celebrating Achievements:

- Philip Wardlaw was awarded a medal for running in the 75 metres in the Leicestershire and Rutland finals
- James Small was awarded his level 4 certificate from Oadby and Leicester Gymnastics Club
- George Dalby won a 'Star Player of the Season' for the Under 6 team at Market Harborough Rugby Club.
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- Jeona Aulak was awarded a certificate and a trophy from Leicester Lions RFC for good progress this season
- Lilian Blackmore was awarded her Level 5 certificate from Oadby & Leicester Gymnastics Club
- Eleanor Tuck was awarded her Level 7 certificate from Oadby & Leicester Gymnastics Club
- Arthur Hawes was awarded his 5 Metre Breaststroke and also his 5 Metre Front Crawl certificates from Swim England
- Yahya Kagzi has achieved his White, Yellow and Red belt in Karate, he has also received numerous medals and badges from Oadby & Leicester Gymnastics Club
- Rohan Beeharry Panray received a Blue Peter Badge for sending in a creative picture of all the Planets in our Solar System
- Bethan Thomas was awarded her 10 Metres and also her Stage 3 certificates from Swim England
- Kayanna Sandhu her level 7 certificate from Oadby & Leicester Gymnastics Club
- Deven Shah received his Blue Peter Music Badge
- Garv Goyal received a medal and Certificate of Achievement from Oadby & Leicester Gymnastics Club
- Niko Papapostolou received an Initial Piano Entry Level Award in Graded Examination in Music Performance (Entry 3)
- Reyaansh Kamboj received a Blue Peter Badge



Well Done Everyone