

# NEWSLETTER

LEICESTER GRAMMAR JUNIOR SCHOOL

Dear Parents,

8<sup>th</sup> March 2024

This week has been truly joyful with Miss Davies' favourite day – World Book Day – bringing in the fancy dress characters from our favourite reads. The school was awash with colour and energy, with pupils and staff indulging in story sharing and even some singing to celebrate the love of books. Thank you for helping embrace this special event and for encouraging our teachers, many of whom were barely recognisable and slightly uncomfortable throughout the day!

Next week we will be welcoming you into school for Parents' Evening and I know that there is much good news to share. Preparations are in place for our Easter Service, we look forward to seeing parents of children in Years 3 to 6 on March 21<sup>st</sup> at St Cuthbert's Church, Great Glen (10.00-11.30am)

I hope that you are all able to enjoy a weekend of nurture as Mothering Sunday comes around. If you don't manage breakfast in bed, I hope, at least, you manage to put up your feet!

With warmest wishes,

Sophia Ashworth Jones Headmistress

	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday 13 <sup>h</sup>	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>
All years					Book Look Odd shoe day for comic relief
Kinders			Craft Afternoon 1.30pm-3.00pm		Book Look 2.30pm-3.00pm
Reception			Craft Afternoon 1.30pm-3.00pm		Book Look 2.30pm-3.00pm
Year 1					Book Look 2.30pm-3.00pm
Year 2	Parent workshop 4.00-5.00pm in 2P classroom			Class Swimming	2P Forest School AM 2BT Forest School PM Book Look 2.30pm-3.00pm
Year 3	Class Swimming	3CH Forest School	Year 3 Residential Initial Meeting 4.00pm – 4.30pm - Junior School		Book Look 3.00-3.30pm
Year 4	Class Swimming				4C Class Assembly
					Book Look 3.00-3.30pm
Year 5			Class Swimming		Book Look 3.00-3.30pm
Year 6			U11A Girls Netball -v- Fairfield Prep Away https://sports.leicestergrammar.or g.uk/pu_MatchTeamSheet.asp?ID =164&FID=6670429&SID=18 U11B Girls Netball -v- Fairfield Prep Away https://sports.leicestergrammar.or g.uk/pu_MatchTeamSheet.asp?ID =164&FID=6670431&SID=18 U11C Girls Netball -v- Fairfield Prep Away https://sports.leicestergrammar.or g.uk/pu_MatchTeamSheet.asp?ID =164&FID=6954549&SID=18		Class Swimming Book Look 3.00-3.30pm
			Boys 11A,Boys Football -v- Fairfield Prep - Away <u>https://sports.leicestergrammar.or</u> <u>g.uk/pu_MatchTeamSheet.asp?ID</u> <u>=164&amp;FID=6780993&amp;SID=26</u>		

Year 6 Cont'd	Boys 11BBoys Football -v- Fairfield	
	Prep – Away	
	https://sports.leicestergrammar.or	
	g.uk/pu MatchTeamSheet.asp?ID	
	=164&FID=6809786&SID=26	
	Boys 11C Boys Football -v- Fairfield	
	Prep – Away	
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# Key Dates and forthcoming events for Lent term

Parents' Evening 3.00pm – 8.00pm booking required
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Boys-U11A & B -v- Ratcliffe College – Away
U11A & B Girls Netball Hockey -v- Ratcliffe College -Away
U10A & B Girls Netball -v- Ratcliffe College – Away
Years 5 Oadby & Wigston swimming gala 3.45pm invite only
LGJS Year 3 – 6 Easter Service St Cuthbert's Church 10am – 11.30am
LGJS Friends Easter Egg Hunt Kinders see below for booking details
U9 A & B Boys Hockey Sevens -v- Ratcliffe College – Home
U9 A & B Girls Netball -v- Ratcliffe College – Home
LGJS Friends Uniform Sale 2.00pm-4.00pm learning zone
LGJS Friends Easter Egg Hunt Reception classes – see below for booking details
U11A Boys Rugby 7's @ Rosslyn Park National School festival
Rec H & Rec T Forest School AM – Rec O & Rec W Forest School PM
Finish for Easter Break (full day)
First Day of Trinity Term – Pupils return to school
Forest School 3CH
Sports Week
Year 1 & 2 - 1.30pm – 3.00pm Parents invited
Years 3-6 8.30am – 4.00pm Parents invited
Kinders and Reception time 1.30pm – 3.00pm Parents invited
Triathlon Year 5 & 6 parents time tbc Parents invited

### Important general reminders

#### Lateness

Students should arrive at school ready to go to their classrooms at **8.15am** via the playground door entrance. Class registration closes at 8.30am promptly, when a buzzer will sound. If your child arrives after 8.30am then they must **sign in** at the Reception desk to ensure that they are added to class registers.

### Absences

Please log onto 'My School Portal' to report absences, this is a quick and easy way to inform us of a child's absence and also request any time off for appointments or exceptional time needed off requests.

### Lunch Menu

New School Lunch Menus are now available to view on the website Leicester Grammar Junior School - Food and Catering (Igs-junior.org.uk)

#### **School Council**

To support and raise money for Comic Relief we invite children to wear odd shoes on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March.

## **Local Food Banks**



Last week's assembly, I spoke to the children about doing an Easter Egg collection. Together with LGS, we will be collecting Easter Eggs for local food banks. If you feel you would like to donate an egg or something chocolatey, please send in your donations until Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March.

Your donations will go to local families at Easter. Thank you in advance for your kindness – it really can make a difference to others!

Mrs Hanley



# Headteacher Awards:

Ethan Beaumont	Hard work and progress in creative writing	
Hugo Isherwood	"Super-fabidosy" writing	
Vivaan Ajaykumar	"Ultra" great diary writing	
Muhammad-Hussain Sabat	Fantastic diary entry	

## Celebrating achievements and congratulations to the following children

- Saihaan H has been awarded his Blue Belt in Mixed Martial Arts
- Eloise D has been awarded her Orange Belt in Mixed Martial Arts
- Sanar D has played mini tennis fun festival and won his age group and a gold medal
- Yahya K has played in a mini tennis fun festival and won a silver medal
- Simar D has played in the mini tennis fun festival competition
- Kaayan has been awarded his Distance swimming badge for 400 meters
- Kirrily D took first place for Leicestershire in the National Cross-Country event at Prestwold Hal and came and impressive 36<sup>th</sup> Nationally
- Zavyier M has completed and passed his Stage 2 swimming
- Mustafa N P has been awarded his Red Belt in Mixed Martial Arts
- Avraaj S has been awarded a Rising Sports Star award by PE for his amazing skills and co-ordination
- Tinka C has been awarded a Blue Peter badge for music







## **Pencil winners**

St. Andrew's	St. Cuthbert's	St. Giles	St. Mary's
Ahaan Jaiswal		Sofiana Davda	

## Badge winners

St. Andrew's	St. Cuthbert's	St. Giles	St. Mary's
Layla Oyekan	Maqsooda Arif	Kushi Ramaiah	Theo Millward
Zahra Tejani		Noah Michael	Teddy Awdry
Inaaya Makda		Rian Purohit	
Ayanna Elezi		Ada Yaris	
		Deen Limbada	
		Shain Sunderji	
		Mimi Bishnoi	
TOTAL 370	TOTAL 378	TOTAL 502	

PE & Sport

Match Reports

01/03/24	U10 Girls Netball-v- Ratcliffe	Last Friday, the year 5 girls travelled to Ratcliffe to play netball, it was a fun, but very cold afternoon out and all the girls played brilliantly. The A team, worked really hard against a very tall team but in the end came away with a loss. Well done to players player Georgia Elliot who did not stop moving on the court, and the goal scorer Florence Francis. The B team had a very close game with all the girls driving into space more and more throughout, congratulations to Evelyn Bedenham who got players player for some awesome interceptions and almost everyone on the team scored a goal! Lastly the C team played really well, trying hard to get in front of their player, unfortunately the girls couldn't seem to get the ball through the hoop and therefore lost the game. All the girls gave 100% effort and players player went to Amara Singh. Well done to all the year 5 girls that played	Players player Georgia Elliot Players player Evelyn Bedenham Players player Amara Singh
01/03/24	U10 Boys Hockey -v- Ratcliffe	The year 5 A and B teams also went to Ratcliffe last Friday and played some fantastic hockey. The A team were brilliant with Mr Wildsmith even saying it was the best they have ever played! They played with determination and excellent skills leading to a 3-1 win, with the players going to Manraj Johal and Mickey Mullaney. A huge well done to the goal scorers Manraj Johal and Anay Patel. The B team kept up the winning ways with a 3-0 win 2 goals coming from Dylan Singla and 1 from Olly Clarke. The team worked really hard and players player went to Tommy Gilmore for some amazing dribbling and passing. Well done to everyone that played.	Players Player Manraj Johal & Mikey Mullaney Players Player Tommy Gilmore
06/03/24	U9 & U11 Mixed Cross- country Copthill	A wonderful venue and great conditions for the runners. It's been a few years since we attended and hope it becomes annual. The course was 1.3km for U9s & 2.4km U11s. The course had a brutal incline of 10m where runners had to really dig deep. But there were steady declines surrounded by a farm full of awesome animals and amazing views of the countryside. Our highlight runners are Kirrily for winning her U11 race with a fantastic 50m on second place. <i>Pictures below</i>	U11 Kirrily D came 1 <sup>st</sup> winning convincingly by 50m on second place. U11 Ethan M 10 <sup>th</sup> U9 Enzo Z 10 <sup>th</sup>
06/03/24	U11 Football -v- Repton	On Wednesday, a group of yr. 5&6 boys went to Repton to compete in a football tournament. The boys started with a shaky start losing against Wellingborough but they persevered and won their next two games against Wolverhampton and Eversfield. The next match was against Fairfield which was tough, and the boys narrowly lost, but they kept their heads up high and managed to end the day with a win against The Elms. The goal scores throughout the day were Jaimin Patel, Zaid Gaibie, Toby Baines and the top goal scorer was Zach Haycock-Huss. All the boys gave 100% effort and finished the day on 9 points which was the same as The Elms but unfortunately due to goal difference ended 3rd in the group and therefore did not qualify. Coaches' player went to Zaid Gaibie for some awesome goals and dribbling, and Ethan Shaffu for incredible saves in goal with 2 out of the 5 games being shut outs.	Coaches' player Zaid Gaibie & Ethan Shaffu



# World Book Day Fun!

















Art

Royal Academy of Arts - Young Artists' Summer Show web link:

https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk/

Is your child 4 years old and over? Does your child love art: drawing, painting, photography or sculpture? Then this is the competition for them!

If they win their artwork could be exhibited at The Royal Academy of Arts Summer Show in London?

How can they enter?

Submitting artwork is completely free and online.

We have registered LGJS with the competition, so the children can now enter their artwork with help from a parent or adult at home.

As a parent you need to register with your email address and password via the web link above.

Once you have logged in you need to select Leicester Grammar School Trust from the school drop down box.

Each child can submit artwork of any type and there is no theme.

When they enter, the website asks for photographs of your child's artwork plus some information about the piece such as title, size, and a little information about the artwork and why they made it.

What kind of artworks do they accept? The artwork can be made using any medium (a word for the materials they've used to create their art)

It can be a painting, sculpture, photograph, installation, drawing, or a combination.

There is no theme so artworks can be about any subject.

On the website you can see the work created by previous winners. This is the link to last year's winners! Young Artists' Summer Show | Royal Academy

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#### Prizes

Prizes are awarded each year and are chosen by the President of the Royal Academy. You can also vote for your favourite artwork in their Annual People's Choice Award.

Feel free to enter your child's artwork but above all, have fun!

Miss Hart (Deadline for submissions is by 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 5.00pm)

# **Call for entries**

An exciting opportunity for students aged 4–19 to exhibit their artwork online and at the Royal Academy of Arts

Open for submissions 8 January - 27 March 2024

Find out more and enter royac/youngartists #RAYoungArtists

Made possible by Robin Hambro



Calling all BAKING enthusiasts!

We're assembling a brand-new team to organise termly bake sales and help raise funds for our school's Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA).

We need dedicated individuals to take the lead and coordinate these delicious events, as well as bakers to whip up tasty treats.



If you're passionate about baking and want to help us reach our target, come and join us! Whether you just want to bake, or help coordinate the sales, come join our dedicated Friends Baking WhatsApp group.

Let's bake a brighter future together

## https://chat.whatsapp.com/HWzHHXDZd6W8zKEDUxpE0D

#### **Uniform Sale**

21st March - 2.00pm – 4.00pm in the Learning Zone

Please can all uniform donations be left at reception to find their new home.

## Easter Egg Hunt

Kinder & Reception



Please click on the link should you wish to sign your child up to Sport Camp (details below) <u>https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=-</u> IYS549WfUya2LAx h3Pp8FPdbsIUBIJr9nx6JxgC95UNTkwTkdWSIJWMzFMRkRCMEs2MIdXNFg3WC4u

4-5 APRIL 2024 9.00AM TO 3.00PM £35 PER DAY FOR LGST PUPILS IN **YEARS 3-8** LEICESTER GRAMMAR lgs SCHOOL STONEYGATE https://forms.office.com/r/EBtjccYJwQ