

Ladbrooke Primary School

Friday 6th May

A Message to you ...

As I am sure you are all aware, the assessment of the primary school curriculum has come under a huge amount of questioning recently. I wanted all parents to be clear about our perspective on this issue here at Ladbrooke.

In September 2014, the primary school curriculum was changed. As a school we were ready for these changes and have embraced the new curriculum through our creative topics. The government wanted more challenge for our children and as a school we have never shied away from this. We have always wanted the highest academic standards and nothing will ever change that.

Over this year however, the government has consistently introduced new aspects to the assessment of the curriculum, changed their minds and made the journey far more stressful than it should ever have been. Having said all that, at every stage, your children have continued to be taught by teachers and teaching assistants who are committed to your children, committed to helping them achieve high academic standards and committed to their emotional wellbeing. As a school we will continue to ensure your children have access to a high quality education which includes all areas of the national curriculum. We will support and guide your children through the testing procedures, over which we have no control, and help them to achieve the best that they can do and then we will celebrate their achievements with them. Most importantly though, we will continue, as we always have, to help your child realise what truly unique individuals they are. We will help them to shine in whatever way they can with equal importance on all

A child is like a butterfly in the wind. Some can fly higher the others; but each one flies the bes Why compare offe a the other? Each one is differ Each one is special! Each one is beautiful!

areas so that every child feels special and never a failure. We may not always get it right, but we promise to continue to try and I am proud to be part of such a fantastic community with the children at the heart.

Dates For Your Diary

9th—13th MAY Y6 SATs WEEK

THURSDAY 19th MAY FS1/FS2 Cake Sale

THURSDAY 19th MAY 7pm — Music Evening

> 23rd—26th MAY Y6 Cycle Training

FRIDAY 27th MAY Oakmere Mini Marathon

30th MAY—3rd JUNE Half Term—School Closed

MONDAY 6th JUNE INSET DAY—SCHOOL CLOSED

> MONDA Y 13th JUNE FS2 to Knebworth

THURSDAY 16th JUNE Y1/2 Gunpowder Mills

FRIDAY 17th JUNE 3.30 SUMMER FAIR

20th—24TH JUNE Y6 School Journey

TUESDAY 21st JUNE 9.00 - FS1 Assembly

FRIDAY 24th JUNE 9.00 - FS2 Assembly

29th JUNE — 1st JULY Y4 Cuffley Camp



ATTENDANCE DATA

Here are the % for attendance in April Remember our target is over 97%!

| Class | % | Class | % |
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| F1 | 96.1% | Y3 | 97.4% |
| F2 | 96.9% | Y4 | 97.0% |
| Y1 | 98.0% | Y5 | 96.7% |
| Y2 | 98.0% | Y6 | 99.0% |

Overall our attendance for January was **97.6%.** This an excellent result and makes up for a disastrous March! Well done to every class for being above 96%

A special congratulations to all the classes above 97% and to Y6 for achieving 99%



GOOD LUCK!

Good luck to all year six pupils who will be sitting their final key stage tests next week. They have all worked incredibly hard and we are confident that they will all do really well in challenging circumstances

Talent Show



Yet again we will be holding our Ladbrooke's Got Talent competition. Each class will be holding a



competition to find their best three acts to compete in the semi finals on Monday 13th June The best act from each class will then go through to the final at the Summer Fair on Friday 17th June We are all looking forward to finding all that hidden talent that

Safety Notices

It has been brought to my attention that Ladbrooke children have been seen in cars not wearing seat belts. If any parents are finding it challenging to get their children to wear their seat belt, please let me know, I would be happy to support you with this.

Carnival Time

This year, the theme for the whole carnival is The Queen's 90th birthday. As with last year, we will be entering the walking float and to match the carnival theme, our theme will be Ladbrooke's been invited to the Queen's garden party!

We would like children to get dressed up in their best outfits and make a special hat fit for a royal party.

If you would like to support the FOLS team in organising the walking float please speak to Michelle Smith (Chair of FOLS) or come and speak to Mrs MacCormack in the office.

Thank You!



Reminder Y4 Cuffley Camp

The third and final payment for Cuffley of £32 is due on 9th May.



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Reminder Y6 School Journey

Full Payments should now have ben received

Safety Notices

The school car park is for staff only from 8.15am. Please would parents not drive into the staff car park after this time. Thank You