



## News Bite

Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> June 2024

### Message from the Head Teacher

Dear All,

We are fast approaching the end of the academic year and with only ten teaching days to go I would like to thank you all for your commitment to teaching and learning this year.

Thank you for getting your children into school on time and working with us on improving school attendance. Reviewing the data today I can see that at this point last year we had 21.5% persistently absent children in comparison to 14.5% today - This is excellent news as we are now below the national average which is currently 16.8%. Well done. This means that our children are in school more which leads to improved educational outcomes.

Thank you for working with us using the Arbor App to consent to school visits - Your children have enjoyed many of these this year, which makes their learning and the ability to retain information purposeful - the children really appreciate these visits and will remember them for years to come. I would also like to say a huge thank you to the PTA for subsidising these visits - without their support the cost would not be affordable, and our children would not be able to have these experiences.

Thank you for preparing your children and supporting home learning; reading in the evening and practicing spellings and times tables - this really does have a huge impact on their end outcomes.

Thank you for sharing our learning by attending parent meetings, watching our assemblies and attending other events; we love sharing these with you and though we only have 10 days to go there are still events if you are able.

Finally, it will not be long before our children in year 6 spread their wings and fly off to their secondary schools; to support the children with this they have their transition day booked for next Wednesday. This day will also be an opportunity for our children to meet their new class teachers for the Academic year 24/25, supporting our in-school transition. Class teachers for next year are as follows:

EYFS 1	EYFS2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 6
Mrs Bailey		Mrs Abel	Mr Crewe	Mrs Spencer	Mr Challoner	Mrs Darby	Mrs Stack and Mrs Franklin	Mrs Murray

Have a lovely Weekend

God Bless

Mrs Dedman



# Prayer

## Feast of St Peter and St Paul 29<sup>th</sup> June 2024



St. Peter and St. Paul, please pray for us to grow in faith every day so that we can spend eternity with you and God in heaven. Please pray in a special way for all of our priests and for our Holy Father, that they may remain close to the Lord.

## Attendance

A reminder why attendance is very important:

Impact of attendance on academic achievement research published by the Department for Education in May 2022 found pupils with higher attainment at KS2 and KS4 had lower levels of absence over the key stage compared to those with lower attainment.

Key Stage 2: Pupils who did not achieve the expected standard in reading, writing and maths in 2019 had an overall absence rate of 4.7% over the key stage, compared with 3.5% among pupils who achieved the expected standard and 2.7% among those who achieved the higher standard.

Key Stage 4: Pupils who did not achieve grade 9 to 4 in English and maths GCSEs in 2019 had an overall absence rate of 8.8% over the key stage, compared with 5.2% among pupils who achieved a grade 4 and 3.7% among pupils who achieved grade 9 to 5 in both English and maths.

Is My Child too ill for school?

[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

Class	Class attendance YTD End of Advent Term	Class Attendance YTD End of Lent Term	Class Attendance 23.05.24	Class Attendance Today 07.06.24	Class Attendance Today 27.06.24	Class Attendance Year to Date
Mrs Bailey	93.4	93.1 ↓	91.1%	89.1	97.8	92.4
Mrs Abel	95.1	94.3 ↓	100%	93.3	83.3	94.6
Mr Crewe	94.6	94.2 ↓	100%	86.7	94.0	95.8
Mrs Spencer	93.3	94.3 ↑	93.9%	90.9	97.0	93.8
Mr Challoner	95.4	95.7 ↑	93.8%	96.9	89.3	95.8
Mrs Darby	93.1	93.5 ↑	96.4%	92.9	89.3	93.8
Mrs Stack	95.6	95.0 ↓	91.7%	87.5	92.3	94.2
Mrs Murray	96.9	96.1 ↓	96.3%	88.9	96.3	95.1
Whole School (This year so far)						92.9
National Average YTD (Year to Date)						94.2
School Persistent Absence YTD						14.1
National Persistent Absence YTD						16.8

# Health and Well Being

 **Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland**  
Health and Wellbeing Partnership



## Hey, how are you feeling?...

There are lots of things you can do to keep yourself well and feeling good, like:

- Getting a good night's sleep
- Doing something you enjoy like playing games
- Spending time with friends and family
- Exercising and eating well to look after your body
- Learning a new skill or taking on a challenge
- Helping other people
- Spending time outside in nature

**... I feel great! I am happy and healthy**



**... I'm okay, but I sometimes feel a bit worried or sad**

It's normal to feel this way. We all experience lots of emotions and these can change over time.

Try some of the things in the box above and talk to someone about how you're feeling. This could be your friends, a parent or carer - or a teacher or adult at school.



If you're struggling, it's important to speak to someone. People want to help you. If you need it, you or your parents or carer can support you to get professional help. A good place to start is by talking to a mental health and wellbeing lead or trusted adult at school, or your GP.

You can also find free and safe support on these websites:

- Kooth: [www.kooth.com](http://www.kooth.com)
- Health for Teens: [www.healthforteens.co.uk](http://www.healthforteens.co.uk)

**... I am struggling and need some help**

**... I am so upset or overwhelmed that I need help now**

If you need to speak to someone urgently, you or a parent or carer can call the Mental Health Central Access Point on **0808 800 3302** or **NHS 111**. The lines are open 24/7.

If there is an immediate or life-threatening emergency, call 999 or attend A&E. People are there and ready to help you now.



 For more advice about mental health support for young people in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland, scan the QR code.

# Other Notices

## Diocesan Day for Families

This great annual celebration was on Saturday (22 June) at Trinity School in Nottingham. Bishop Patrick and families from across the diocese joined for a great FREE day celebrating family life and the Year of Prayer. There were workshops with ideas for praying as a family, Mass, cultural food and a BBQ and lots of entertainment, games and activities for all ages.



[Summer Reading Challenge \(leicester.gov.uk\)](http://leicester.gov.uk)

## Diary Dates

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1.7.24 8	2.30pm - 3.30 pm Stay and Play (NEW FS1 Parents)	Year 6 Afternoon Performance 2.30 FS2 Stay and Play (New FS2 Parents)	Transition Day Year 6 Transition Morning for all children - Meet my new Teacher 10.30 FS2 Stay and Play (without parents)	Welcome Back Mrs Franklin Bosworth Battlefield Trip - Mrs Darby's Class/ Mrs Spencer's class Summer Disco	Year 3 swimming Foundation Stage Assembly 9am (All Welcome) Music Performance with - 'Fabriziano and Joe' Our Music Teachers
8.7.24 8	Leavers' Mass 2pm All Welcome	Reports out to parents	KS2 Test Results	Whole School Treat	Year 3 swimming