



## Newsletter 15 - Friday 8th April 2022

Welcome to our final newsletter of the spring term. Have a lovely Easter break! 

### STARS of the Newsletter

#### Our Wonderful Community

It was so exciting to welcome you all back in to the academy this week for our Open Classroom afternoons. We are so proud of what the children achieve each and every day here at the academy and we were so pleased to share with you all the children's fantastic work.

We have been so appreciative of all your continued support throughout the last few years so we have decided to choose our wonderful Lindfield parents and carers to be the **STARS OF THE NEWSLETTER** this week.

#### Pupil Premium

##### Cost of Living Increase

We are aware the cost of living has increased for everyone and are mindful that this might have an impact on some of the families at our academy. We will be happy to issue **Food Bank vouchers** to families in need, please contact the office for further details.

Additional support with food, fuel, clothing and essentials is available through the **Community Hub** on 0330 222 7980 Open: 8am - 8pm Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm weekends and bank holidays. Furthermore, if you are in receipt of any of the benefits below, it is likely that your family are entitled to the **Pupil Premium Grant**. This will provide your family with access to further support.

- Income support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-based Employment and Support Allowance
- Support as a result of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit
- Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit (if a household is earning less than £7,400 per year)

You can apply for Pupil Premium at <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals> or by contacting the school office.

#### Healthy School Ambassadors Judge the 'Strive for 5' Competition

The quality of the entries for the 'Strive for 5' poster competition was superb. The posters were colourful and vibrant and contained so many amazing facts. All the children had worked so hard and the Healthy Schools ambassadors couldn't have been more impressed. They wanted to say a huge thank you to everyone who entered and they said their job as judges was so hard because of the high standard.

KS1 winner **Jake** Maple Class Year 2  
KS1 Runner-Up **Ella C** Maple Class Year 2

KS2 Winner **Tilley** Palm Class Year 5  
KS2 Runner-Up **Eliza** Poplar Class Year 3

Most entries from a class – Congratulations to.....  
Maple Class Year 2



#### Behaviour Workshops for Parents - Friday 6th May

Do you wonder how to respond to challenging behaviour with your child?

Would you like to learn more about the strategies we use in school?

If so, why not come to our parent workshop 'Managing behaviours that challenge' being led by Mrs Robinson and Miss O'Brien in school on Friday 6th May. We will talk about what children might be trying to communicate through their behaviours, share and discuss our new Behaviour Code and learn more about the Zones of Regulation resource used across the school. Keep an eye out for a ParentMail inviting you to book a place.



#### Attendance update

Whole Academy attendance: 28<sup>th</sup> Mar – 8<sup>th</sup> Apr: **94.5%**  
Highest KS1 class: Maple (Yr2) – **97.2%**  
Highest KS2 class: Poplar (Yr5) – **97.8%**

#### Understanding Digital Resilience

The internet can be a great place for children to learn, have fun and connect with friends, so it is important that the time children spend online is a safer experience. We want to help build digital resilience in children, which means that they:

- Understand there are some risks online, and that these come in different forms
- Know where to turn for help when they encounter risks, or when something difficult or unpleasant happens
- Can learn and recover from their experiences.

'**Beware of Lurking Trolls**' is a campaign designed to help protect children from online harm. It centres around a storybook '*Peril of the Possessed Pets*' and is used in primary schools with children aged 7 to 11 years. Can you try this resource and let us know how you get on?

<https://lurkingtrolls.com/>

Explore our [story books](#), [cartoons](#), [tools](#) and [tips](#) to learn more about online safety.

### Out and About with Reception

First school trip success! The Reception children enjoyed a fun day out at the Bluebell Railway as a fabulous finish to their 'Vroom Vroom' topic about transport. They travelled by steam train from Sheffield Park to Kingscote station for a stop off at the park, before learning all about the history of trains in the museum. The children demonstrated our academy values at all times and impressed everyone with their enthusiasm to learn and their brilliant behaviour.



### Eco Corner

Now that the sun is shining, the eco-warriors have been out in the academy grounds litter picking! The children were extremely enthusiastic and enjoyed using the new litter pickers! We have had a whole school assembly on litter this week and we have all agreed to look after our academy grounds and ensure that we do not drop litter in our grounds. This year our academy will be marking 'Earth Day'. The first 'Earth Day' was held on April 22, 1970. 'Earth Day' was founded to help people consider their actions and how they affect the Earth and our world. We want all our children at Lindfield to be excellent citizens of the world. All classes across the academy will be celebrating 'Earth Day' providing children with opportunities to think about how to protect and care for our precious Earth.



### Mystery Photo – SOLVED



Some of you may have read in Lindfield Life about the mystery photo found in one of our resources cupboards by Miss Roworth recently. Miss Roworth has received a great response from the community and the mystery has now been solved! The photo was taken in 1921. This is the victorious team that won the County Football League on 27<sup>th</sup> April. The Team triumphantly paraded the cup through the streets. Everyone came out to celebrate and there was a drum and bugle band, flags, the works! The Reverend Cresswell Gee said of the team 'they played a jolly fine game'. One of the players photographed in the team is the Great, Great Uncle of Year 4 teacher Miss Anscombe! We are going to frame this fantastic photo and preserve the memory of this great local achievement.

### Reading Corner

The Junior Librarians are proud to present our **BRAND NEW LIBRARY!**

We had a chat about why reading is wonderful and important. Our Junior Librarians have a message for the LPA community to encourage everyone to come to the library and to keep reading!

*Everyone can find a new adventure if you just look in a book! - Jessie H*

*Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body! - Alishba*

*A room without books is like a body without a soul! -Bella*

*Reading is a portal to new worlds! - Dash*

*Reading is dreaming with your eyes wide-open, better still, it's a dream you can have over and over again! - Ethan*

*A library is like a jungle full of curiosity and adventures! - Jebin*

*A library is a hospital to the mind, full of endless remedies. Sophie*

*A library can lead you to so many new adventures! - Lily*

*I don't have to look far to find treasures, I find them every time*

*I visit a library! - Kristelle*

*When you have a book, you have a little bit of magic right there in your pocket! - Honor*

*Reading opens up so many opportunities...for your imagination but so much more! - Cecily*

*Reading feeds the fire of life! - Morten*

*When we open a book we see magic shine from within! - Jessie D*

*Books in our libraries shine as bright as stars! - Annabel*

*Libraries are full of ideas, perhaps the most dangerous of all weapons! - Olivia*

*How lucky are we here at LPA to have such a great little library that everyone can enjoy?! - Callum*



Well done to these wonderful children who have been consistently showing our academy values and being Ready, Respectful and Safe in the past 2 weeks.



To be a part of a school that has a space to just sit back and read is a great privilege. We have an amazing library full of fiction and non-fiction books ranging from old favourites to brand new titles. Our old library was great, but books in it were faded and could have been newer. Now, thanks to the effort of many people in our academy, the area has been transformed into a wonderful haven of books, Reading is wonderful! Books pave the way to happiness. It will encourage you to think about the world and will allow you to be transported on adventures to other worlds! Our library is amazing!

### Spotlight on Safeguarding

**Safeguarding in the Curriculum:**

We believe that one of the best ways to safeguard children, is through equipping them with the knowledge and skills for how they can keep themselves safe.

Safeguarding themes are threaded through our curriculum and the enrichment opportunities we offer in school. Some examples include: Our 'Jigsaw' scheme, delivered from Reception to Year 6; online safety discussions in computing lessons; links with the NSPCC (assemblies etc.); involvement in Preventing-Bullying week, Equality Week and themed safety events (e.g. Bikeability / Bonfire Night)