

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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WHAT'S  
NEW?

## World Book Day & Science Week

Last Thursday was especially joyful as we celebrated World Book Day, with children and staff dressed as their favourite book characters. There were so many fantastic costumes and a real buzz around school as the children took part in the range of activities planned for them. My thanks go to Ms Graves for helping organising such an enjoyable and memorable day for everyone and a huge thank you to parents for making such an effort with the children's costumes!

### World Book Day

We would like to say a huge thank you to all the children for their above and beyond outfits and attitudes towards reading for the day.

We started with a lovely assembly - parading our outfits. Then in classes we had an array of reading lessons taking place; design a book token, reading journey, reading with other classes, guess the book and many more. Each class was also read to by 2 different adults which was so lovely!

Our book fair raised £562.10, a wonderful amount so we will soon have new books coming our way from the commission raised. Thank you again for your support.



I hope you all have a lovely weekend! Fingers crossed for some more lovely weather!



# Attendance matters



Week Ending 27th February

- Panda Class 95.27%
- Elephant Class 96.79%
- Giraffe Class 92.14%
- Lion Class 97.98%
- Koala Class 91.62%
- Tiger Class 95.95%
- Zebra Class 98.52%

Week Ending  
6th March

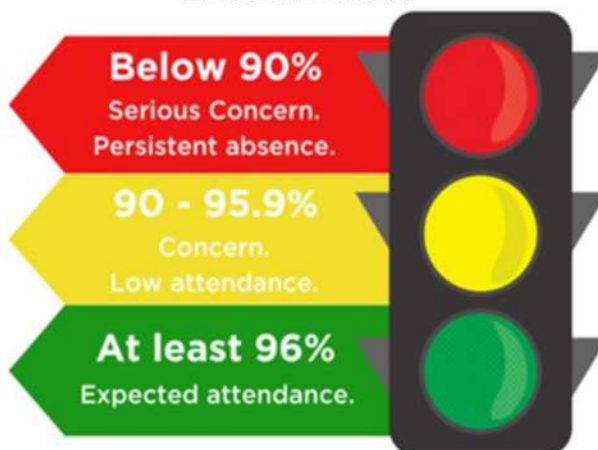
- Panda Class 92.79%
- Elephant Class 98.33%
- Giraffe Class 91.67%
- Lion Class 97.00%
- Koala Class 91.38%
- Tiger Class 95.33%
- Zebra Class 99.31%

**Whole School  
Attendance  
Target  
97%**

**Whole School  
Attendance  
this Week  
95.57%**

**Whole School  
Attendance  
this year  
94.75%**

Please check your child's attendance on Arbor against the below traffic light system - if you are concerned about your child's attendance contact our Family Liaison officer, Mrs Taylor in the school office.





# Safeguarding Focus- Road Safety

Lots of you may be aware of a recent accident in the local area so we would like to remind all our families of some useful road safety advice and tips.

## Road safety code for parents

- Park away from school gates
- Always hold hands with young children
- Remember – your child will copy you
- Every road means STOP, LOOK, LISTEN
- Never get children out of a car roadside
- Think safer places to cross the road
- Secure your child's car seat correctly
- Think Who's Looking

Here are some actions you can take, as a parent, to help keep your child safe near roads.

- Always used the appropriate child car seat for your child and vehicle and ensure it is fitted correctly
- Talk to your child about road safety whenever you are out and about
- Encourage your child to talk to you about keeping safe near roads
- Lead by example – use the Road Safety Code:

**THINK** about the road

**STOP** before the kerb and wait

**LOOK** and **LISTEN** for traffic

**THINK** about what to do

**CROSS** the road safely, looking and listening all the time

**Your child's risk of being injured on foot or on a bicycle increases as they gain independence. Far more teens are knocked down and hurt than younger children.**



## Safeguarding Focus- Road Safety cont'd

Peer pressure can also cause young people to behave in unsafe ways near the road. This group are at further risk due to longer journeys to and from school with friends or on their own.

- Ensure that they understand the importance of walking directly to their destination, without stops or diversions.
- Even as your child approaches adolescence, you should keep talking about road safety with them, and ensure that they know the importance of continuing to take great care when crossing the road, including putting away their phone and taking out any earphones when crossing the road.
- Remind them that they will be unable to hear traffic if they are listening to music through their earphones or see it properly if they are wearing a hood.

For more information - [Teaching Road Safety: A Guide for Parents](#)

As ever, if you require any support, guidance or further information, please do not hesitate to contact a member of DSL team: Mrs Lomax (Deputy Head); Mr Anscombe (Headteacher); Ms Beckett (SENCO); Amy Taylor (FLO)

All can be contacted via the school office.

### Giraffe Class visit Larkfield Fire station

On Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March Year 2 were lucky enough to be invited to Larkfield Fire Station.

When we were there we learnt a lot about fire engines, where they gather their water from and their importance. We all had a go on firing the hose and knocking a ball off of a cone.



We then looked in the station itself before watching cars be cut open and their windows being smashed, showing us how they free people from trapped cars. We had an amazing time. Thank you to all our parents helpers who made this trip possible.

### Parental Consultations 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Have you booked your Parental Consultation? If you need assistance with booking your slot please give the School Office a call who will be happy to assist you.

## Playtimes and Lunchtimes

With the improvement in the weather, we are refocusing on our mission to improve break and lunchtime provision. The children have been excited by a big donation of tennis balls from Kemsing Tennis Club and have enjoyed being able to play with their friends and siblings from alternate key stages on Fridays.

FOLS have been working extremely hard behind the scenes to support with the playground development and we are very grateful to them for all their hard work and fundraising. Lots will be happening over the Easter holidays so keep your eyes peeled....

We are still looking for donations of the following items to help further enhance play opportunities at break and lunch.

Small toy cars



Dolls

Lego or Duplo (does not need to be complete sets)

Action Figures

Happy Land toys / Playmobil

Small plastic animals / dinosaurs



Unused or nearly unused colouring books / puzzle books



Old tyres

Ribbons

Any donations can be passed directly to Mrs Lomax, a member of FOLS or to the School Office.

## School Improvement Advisor Visit

Last week the school was visited by Mrs Karen Slade, our School Improvement Adviser.

As the school is involved in an Education Endowment Fund trial and research project I wanted her to look at our writing scheme from the Literacy Tree and the impact it has had in our writing across the school. Her comments were really positive:

"Evidence in books demonstrates an increase in the quality and quantity of work that is being produced in all year groups since the start of the year

She was pleased that: "Evidence of the work being suitably adapted by the scaffolds that are provided ensuring all pupils can access their learning and succeed as writers."

We are looking forward to welcoming you at Parents Evening and for you to see this first hand in your children's books as well as the corridor and class displays too. These meetings are a perfect opportunity to find out how your child has been getting on academically and socially during this school year, see their school books and have a general discussion with the class teacher about the remainder of the year and beyond.



## Field Update

I am happy to inform you that KCC and their contracted landscapers have stated that later in the summer term we will be able to finally use our field. Some last remedial work needs to take place over the next few weeks then we will be able to use it for lunchtimes with the children. Thank you so much for your patience and understanding as it has been a hugely frustrating time.



# Science week

Lunsford have been busy this week celebrating all things Science!

On Tuesday, KS1 had a visit from Fiona who delivered a special Science show. The children absolutely loved it and engaged well.



Giraffe Class .....

We had an amazing time in Science this week. Starting off with Miss Broadmore's assembly which opened our eyes in to being curious and asking questions.

We then had a science assembly by a scientist who showed us some amazing experiments.



This week we had our normal science lesson about adaptations and then our science week focus activity all about paper aeroplanes . We discussed gravitational pull and air resistance. We also made helicopters and discussed gravity and weight further.

Miss Graves

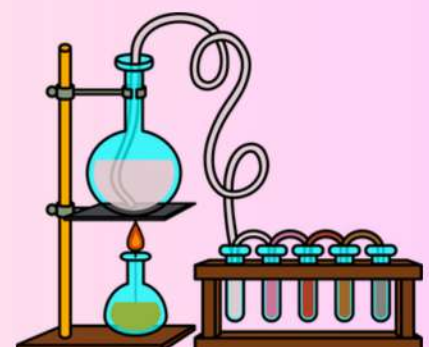


On Tuesday, Fiona also delivered an electricity workshop for Lion and Koala classes- they learnt all about different types of electricity and loved watching their hairs stick up due to the static electricity.



Tiger and Zebra Classes had a visit from two Malling School teachers who delivered a series of fun engaging activities.

Well done to all our super scientists!



# FOLS Mother day Tea and Cakes

It was so lovely to see all the Mums, Aunties, Grandmothers and Nannies arrive at school on Wednesday and Friday for their Mother's Day tea and cakes.

A huge thank you to all the FoLS and volunteers who worked so hard to run this event. Once all the money and expenses have been counted we will update you with the final figure raised.



We wish all mums and happy mothers day for this Sunday.

## New Nourish Menu

APRIL TO OCTOBER 2026

**NOURISH**

**SPRING INTO SUMMER MENU**

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>WEEK ONE</b>	Beef Bolognaise Pasta 1 Cheese & Pesto Swirl 1,7 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9  Baked Wedges Seasonal Vegetables  Ice Cream 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Fruit Pots VG	Macaroni Cheese 1,7 V Chick Pea & Spinach Biryani VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9  Carrots Mixed Peppers  Toffee Tart 1,7 & Custard 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Fruit Pots VG	Roast Gammon & Gravy Meatfree Meatballs & Gravy 6 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9  Rustic Roast Potatoes Cabbage Swede  Fruit Jelly VG Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG	Chicken Korma Herby Tomato Pasta 1 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9  Rice Green Beans Carrots  Chocolate Orange Cake 1 VG Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG	Fish Fingers 1,8 Wrap Stack 1,7 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9  Chips Sweetcorn & Peas Coleslaw 9  Lemon Drizzle Biscuit 1,6 VG Yoghurt 3,7 Fruit Pots VG
<b>WEEK TWO</b>	Cheesy Cauliflower Pasta 1,7 V Vegetable Burger in a Bun 1,5,6 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9  Baked Wedges, Carrots, Peas  Honey Cake 1 & Custard 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Fruit Pots VG	Minced Beef Curry Pesto & Pea Pasta 1 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9  Rice Seasonal Vegetables  Summer Trifle 1,7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Fruit Pots VG	Roast Chicken & Gravy Samosa Puff 1 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9  Rustic Roast Potatoes Broccoli Carrots  Cornflake Cookie 1,7,16 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG	Chicken Fajita 1 Tomato Spaghetti 1 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9  Rice Tomato Salsa Green Beans  Carrot & Orange Cake 1 VG Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG	Salmon Fish Cake 1,8 Margherita Pizza 1,3,7 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9  Chips, Peas, Grated Carrot  Oaty Biscuit 1,15 VG Yoghurt 3,7 Fruit Pots VG
<b>WEEK THREE</b>	Mild Chilli Beef Tomato & Herb Penne Pasta 1 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9  Rice Peas Mixed Peppers  Jam Roly Poly 1,6 VG & Custard 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Fruit Pots VG	Chicken Pie 1 Vegetable Stir Fried Noodles 1 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9  Crushed Potatoes Seasonal Vegetables  Ice Cream 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Fruit Pots VG	<b>BRUNCH</b> Pork Sausage & Bacon 1,3,6 Or Vegetable Sausage 1 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9  Brunch Hash Potatoes Baked Beans Mushrooms & Tomatoes  Fruit Jelly VG Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG	Margherita Pizza 1,3,7 V Loaded Cajun Bean Wedges VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9  Rainbow Rice Sweetcorn Coleslaw 9  Sultana Cake 1 VG Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG	Fish Fingers 1,8 Cheese & Bean Parcel 1,7 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9  Chips, Peas, Baked Beans Cucumber Sticks  Caramel Cookie 1,7 V Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG

1 Wheat 2 Crustaceans 3 Soybean 4 Mustard 5 Sesame 6 Sulphites/Sulphur Dioxide 7 Milk 8 Fish 9 Egg  
 10 Peanuts 11 Molluscs 12 Celeriac/Celery 13 Nuts 14 Lupins 15 Oat Gluten 16 Barley Gluten VG Vegan V Vegetarian

Selection of Salads 9, Homemade Bread 1,3. Some of our schools may use pre prepped potatoes or vegetables on occasions. These may contain sulphites and celeriac. Please discuss with your manager.

**AVAILABLE DAILY**

# ST GEORGES DAY 2026

23RD APRIL

## MENU

Toad in the Hole **1,3,7,9**

Vegetable Cornish Pastie **1VG**

Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings **7,8,9**

Rustic Crushed Potato

Mushy Peas

Carrots

Golden Syrup Sponge **1 VG** and Custard **7**

Chocolate Shortbread **1 VG**

Fruit Pot **VG**



Dishes marked with any of the following numbers contain the matching allergen:

**1** Wheat Gluten **2** Crustaceans **3** Soybean **4** Mustard **5** Sesame **6** Sulphites/Sulphur Dioxide **7** Milk **8** Fish **9** Egg  
**10** Peanuts **11** Molluscs **12** Celeriac/Celery **13** Nuts **14** Lupins **15** Oat Gluten **16** Barley Gluten **V** Vegetarian **VG** Vegan



To celebrate our upcoming Impact Easter Sports Programme 2026, we are running a Facebook competition where one lucky winner can receive 5 FREE days at our Easter Sports Camps!

The prize can be used for one child to attend a full week, or it can be shared with friends so they can all attend together.

How to enter:

1. Visit our Facebook page
2. Like the competition post
3. Comment your name on the post

It only takes a few seconds to enter, and you could win a fantastic week of sport and activities for your child this Easter.

 Competition closes on 31st March 2026

The winner will be chosen at random and announced on our Facebook page shortly after the closing date.

You can view the competition post and enter here:

 [www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61553634043573](https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61553634043573)

For full competition terms and conditions please visit:

 [www.impactsportsclubs.co.uk](http://www.impactsportsclubs.co.uk)



Good luck and we hope to see your children at our Easter Sports Camps!

Kind regards,  
Chris Dickinson & Stephen Hately

# JOIN THE ADVENTURE

FOR BOYS AGED 5 TO 18 YEARS



**ANCHORS**  
5 to 8 years

**புலம்பெயர்**  
8 to 11 years

**Company**  
11 to 14 years

**Seniors**  
14 to 18 years

Find out more about your local group . . .

Contact Liz Morgan on  
1larkfieldbb@gmail.com  
(we meet on Wednesday evenings)

The Boys' Brigade is a Company limited by guarantee, registered in England & Wales number 181022  
& registered charity in England & Wales number 2055889 and in Scotland number SC232876



## 1st LARKFIELD GIRLS' BRIGADE

New Members Welcome



**Explorers**  
(Reception - Year 3)  
5 - 6.30pm



**Juniors**  
(Year 4 - Year 6)  
5 - 6.30pm



**Seniors**  
(Year 7 - Year 9)  
6.45 - 8.30pm



**Brigaders**  
(Year 10 up)  
6.45 - 8.30pm

Monday evenings at Larkfield and East Malling Methodist church hall

For more information email:  
larkfieldgb@gmail.com

badges ~ cooking ~ activities ~ craft ~ new friends ~ camps

**IMPACT!**  
Opportunities that make difference

**EASTER SPORTS PROGRAMME 2026**

**FUN HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMPS**  
FOR PRIMARY CHILDREN • AGES 5-11 (School Years 1-6)

**9:00AM - 3:00PM EACH DAY**

**ALL SPORTS AVAILABLE:**

- Football • Tennis / Pickleball • Archery
- Ultimate Frisbee • Cricket • Athletics
- Rounders / Baseball • Basketball
- American Football • Tri-Golf

**MORE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
7th - 10th April

**MADGINFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
13th - 17th April

- Two coached sports sessions each day
- Access to equipment activity zones
- Free-play and choice sessions
- A fun and supportive environment for all abilities

**BOOK NOW**

[www.impactsportsclubs.co.uk](http://www.impactsportsclubs.co.uk)

Bookings & Enquiries:  
impactsportsclubs@gmail.com

## Help to stop smoking

**TEPO** Kent County Council  
Teacher in your pocket

Help protect those who aren't online—share TEPO today.

**NOW INCLUDES BSL**

Dear TEPO community,

Stopping smoking is hard, but a supportive 10-minute conversation can help someone take the first step.

Please share a Teacher in Your Pocket [Help to stop smoking](#) video on your phone, then talk about what support could work.

10 minutes is all it takes to change or even save a life.

**What's available to share:**

- [How to avoid scams](#) – Spotting fraud, staying safe online, and knowing where to get help
- [How to say no to doorstep crime](#) – Recognising rogue traders and feeling confident saying no
- [Electrical safety at home](#) – Avoiding overloaded sockets and spotting unsafe appliances
- [Support to stop smoking](#) – Friendly encouragement and practical help to quit

Thank you for being the messenger.

Warm wishes,

**The TEPO Team**