



*"Together in God's grace,  
may we give our children the  
roots to grow and the wings  
to fly"*

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# Newsletter 10

It has been very a short half term but it has been very busy and we have managed to fit lots wonderful things in. The children, as always, have been superstars!

On Wednesday our Year 6 pupils led our Easter Service at Emmanuel Church and did an amazing job. Thank you to those parents and relatives who joined us for the service. We had so many positive comments from parents and members of the church about the excellent service and fantastic behaviour and conduct of all our pupils. **We are very proud of them all!**

This afternoon we held our Easter craft event in school, it was wonderful to see so many of you here joining in with the children. There were some lovely creations and everyone had lots of fun!

We would also like to thank you all again for supporting our Red Nose Day fundraiser last week and making it a success. Our final total was an **amazing £302**. Staff and pupils really do appreciate the support.

We hope that all of our families have a wonderful Easter break and look forward to seeing you again on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April.

## Weekly Attendance

EYFS	99.6%
Yr 1	95.9%
Yr 2	96.3%
Yr 3	90.9%
Yr 4	96.3%
Yr 5	93.6%
Yr 6	94%

## Year to Date Attendance

EYFS	98.3%
Yr 1	93.7%
Yr 2	94.8%
Yr 3	94.6%
Yr 4	93.9%
Yr 5	93.3%
Yr 6	95.3%

### Compulsory school age reminder to parents and carers of the EYFS Children

Parents and carers have a duty to ensure that children of compulsory school age receive a suitable education either by regular attendance at school or otherwise.

A child reaches compulsory school age the term following their fifth birthday.

Children born in.....

September, October, November & December - become **compulsory January 1st 2024**

January, February & March - become **compulsory April 1st 2024**

April, May June, July & August - become **compulsory September 1st 2024**

## 09/04 Diary Update

Due to a clash of events in the calendar, the Year 1 phonics meeting that was meant to be held on the 9th April will no longer be held.

Instead, some information will be sent via email and resource packs will be sent home with the children after the Easter holidays. If you have any questions after the information has been sent out, Miss Hall will be available to speak with you.

## A message from The School Council

Would you like to wear nail varnish to school?  
Would you like to wear a silly costume in lessons?  
Would you like you have sweets in your packed lunch?  
Well you are in luck! Loughborough CofE is having a break the rule day at school. However, there is a twist to the story - learning is still our priority and you can only break the rules from the list provided (details given next term)

Break the rule day will be happening on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024 and we will be raising money for our new school peace garden... coming soon next academic year.

More information will follow next half term.

Yours Faithfully,

The School Council

## Important upcoming changes

The way your child/children order their school dinners will be changing after the Easter Break.

From Monday 8th April there will also be a new menu.

*(Menus will be attached to the email you have received this newsletter on)*

You will now be required to pick your child/children's dinner choice through Arbor. This way parents are responsible for going through the menu with their child to decide which option they would like for their school dinner.

**Choices must be made by the day before, very latest before 9am on the day a meal is required.**

Please follow the link below for instructions on how to do this.

<https://support.arbor-education.com/hc/en-us/articles/6956696271261-Meal-Menu-choices-on-the-Parent-Portal-or-Parent-App>

## Eco Committee

### Great Spring Clean 2024:

This Spring, join the Great Big School Clean as part of Keep Britain Tidy's Great Spring Clean 2024. As a school, we have pledged to take part in this and have been doing so over the course of this week. We would like to invite you to contribute and take part too! Over the Easter Holiday, should you notice any litter or fancy taking an empty bag on your walk to collect any rubbish, we would love to hear from you. Send your photos of you collecting rubbish or your bag of rubbish to take part. I wonder how many bags of rubbish Loughborough Church of England can clean up off the streets and parks of Loughborough/Leicestershire?



At Loughborough C of E we use our conduct posters to promote exceptional behaviour and high expectations:

### FIRST TIME

- 1 FIRST TIME
- 1 EVERY TIME
- 1 EVERYWHERE
- 1 EVERYONE



### BE A STAR

- ↑ SIT UP
- 👁️ TRACK THE SPEAKER
- ❓ ANSWER QUESTIONS
- 🤝 RESPECT OTHERS



### STEP

- 💬 SPEAK POLITELY
- 👍 THANK YOU
- 🙅 EXCUSE ME
- 🙏 PLEASE



### SHAPE

- 📄 SENTENCES
- 👉 HANDS DOWN
- 🗣️ ARTICULATE
- 📢 PROJECT
- 👁️ EYE CONTACT



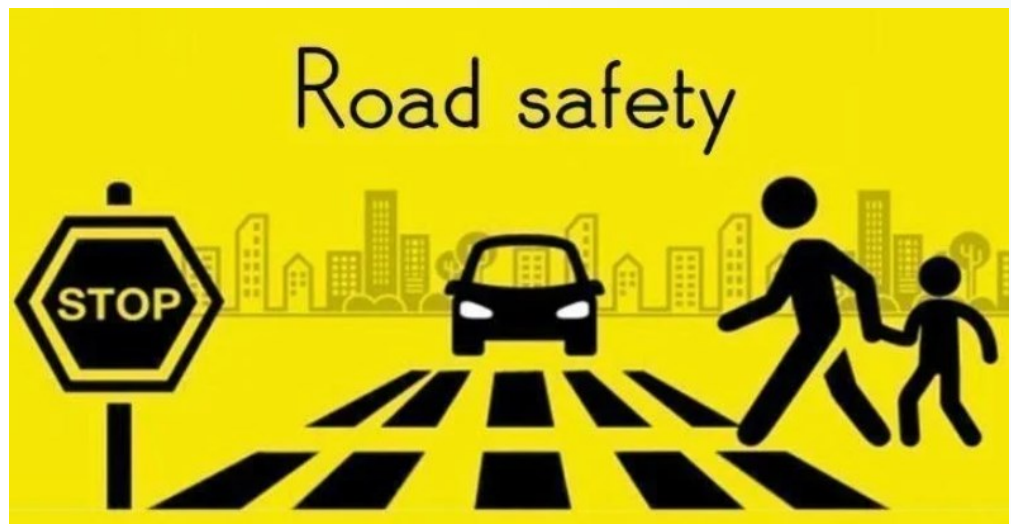
### FANTASTIC WALKING

- ↑ FACING FORWARDS
- 👉 ON THE LEFT
- 👉 HANDS BY SIDE
- 🏃 STEADY PACE
- 🚫 NOT TALKING



## Road Safety

We would like to remind you of the importance of teaching your children about road safety. We do, of course make sure that we cover this in school but it is important for them to hear road safety messages at home too especially as they begin to walk, scooter or cycle to school alone. You can find more advice and information here <https://www.brake.org.uk/get-involved/take-action/mybrake/knowledge-centre/advice-for-parents-and-families>  
Green cross code ([roadwise.co.uk](http://roadwise.co.uk))



## Brake's top tips for keeping children safe near roads

- ♦ Children under 8 should always hold a grown up's hand when walking near roads
- ♦ Children under 8 should always cross roads with a grown up, at a safe crossing place
- ♦ Until they are 150cm tall, all children should sit in a correctly sized and fitted child seat when travelling by car
- ♦ Children under 10 should not cycle on roads, they should keep to cycle paths away from motorised traffic
- ♦ Children should always wear a helmet when cycling to protect their head if they fall off.



# Easter Craft Afternoon



## Diary Dates

2024	Who?	What?
08/04	All	School re-opens
09/04	Yr 1	Year 1 phonics screening parents meeting <b>CANCELLED due to unforeseen circumstances.</b>
11/04	All	Relationships and Sex Education parent information meeting
16/04	Yr 1 & 2	Free School Trip to Conkers (A letter went out on 18/03)
19/04	All	Year 2 Class Assembly @ 2.40pm
29/04	Yr 4	Rise Voices - Choral Event
06/05	All	Bank Holiday school closed
07/05	All KS2	M&M Theatre production
W/C 13/05	Yr 6	Year 6 SATs week
17/05	All	Year 4 Class Assembly
24/05	All	Break the rule day School closes
03/06	All	School re-opens
W/C 10/06	Yr 1	Phonics screening
11/06	All KS2	Free School Trip to Go Ape (More information to follow)
21/06	All	EYFS Class Assembly
02/07	All Drama Club	Sports Day Drama club performance 5pm
03/07	Yr 6	Warning Zone Trip
04 & 05/07	Yr 6	Transition days
05/07	All	School move up day
08/07	All	Yr 6 Leavers service @ Emmanuel
09/07	All	School closes
27/08	All	School re-opens