



LARKS HILL J&I SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers

A really busy year is almost at an end but it has been full of successes along the way for both staff and pupils alike.

Most recently on 30th June Mrs Finch gave birth to a baby girl. Both are doing very well.

Year 6 are in their final weeks at Primary and will be leaving us for pastures new—their next phase of education, I wish them all the very best and hope that they work hard to fulfill their dreams.

It is also time to say goodbye to Mr Parkinson who is also moving on in his career. Despite being at Larks Hill for a relatively short period of time, the impact he has had on children's education has been immense. He has also been a great deputy and role model. We will all miss him.

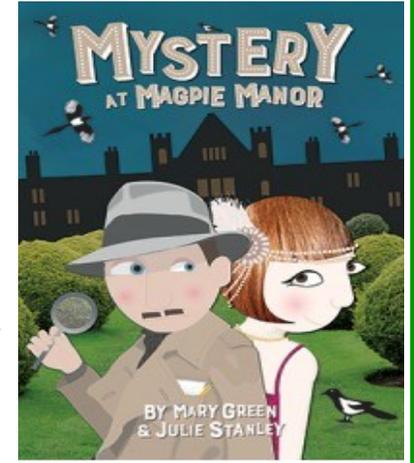
All that remains for me to say is have a lovely and safe summer holiday and see you all in September.

Mrs A Smith
Headteacher

Year 6 Leavers Assembly

The Year 6 Leavers Assembly will be on **Tuesday 18th July at 1.45pm**. The class have been working really hard rehearsing for the assembly to make it an entertaining afternoon for all the Parents/Carers that come along to watch. Parents can book up to 3 tickets each and can email

contact@larkshill.wakefield.sch.uk to be put on a waiting list in case there are any spare tickets. Physical tickets will be sent out before the performance so you will have a keepsake of what is sure to be a fantastic assembly!



KS2 Theatre Trip

This year's panto trip to see Aladdin at Wakefield Theatre is on **Thursday 7th December**. You can pay for your child's place and give consent via parentmail. Payment can be made in two parts, with the initial £5 deposit due by Friday 22nd September and the remaining £12 by **Friday 20th October**.



Sports Day

This year Sports Day is on **Tuesday 11th July**, weather permitting. Parents are invited to come along to see the children taking part. KS1 will be in the morning, 9.30am-11.00am and KS2 in the afternoon, 2.00pm-3.00pm. We advise parents to bring their own folding chairs / blankets to sit on and refreshments.

We hope to see everyone there cheering on the children!



Year 4 Tennis Competition

On Friday 23rd June a group of Year 4 pupils went to Carleton High School to take part in a Tennis Competition. The whole group did really well and one of the teams came first and won this

fantastic trophy! We are really proud of them and have put the trophy in pride of place in the glass cabinet in the entrance hall. Go team Larks Hill!



Year 3&4 Trip to Pontefract Castle

On **Thursday 13th July**

Years 3&4 will be walking up to Pontefract Castle to take part in some workshops which are part of their celebration marking the opening of new facilities. The trip is free to all children and you can give consent on Parentmail. Children should bring a packed lunch in a disposable bag and wear school uniform with sensible shoes. A waterproof coat and/or suncream may be needed depending on the weather.



Parents Open Evening

Our Parents open Evening is on **Thursday 13th July 5.30pm to 7.00pm**. This is an opportunity for parents to come and have a look around school and see what the children have been working on over the last year.

Reception Class Assembly

Thank you to everyone that came along to watch the Reception class assembly on Wednesday 28th June, we hope you enjoyed seeing what the children have been learning about this last term.

The PFA raised £36.93 selling refreshments, we would like to take this opportunity to thank the PFA and helpers for supporting all the class assemblies this year, providing refreshments and raising money.



Summer Fayre

The PFA have lined up another great summer fayre at Larks Hill! New for this year there will be the Larks Hill Bake Off; you can bring your bakes into school on the morning of the fayre to be judged and there are prizes to be won.



The A1 football Factory will also be there with a penalty shoot out. There will be Welly Wanging, a wheel of fortune, a bouncy castle, face painting, a tombola, a BBQ and all sorts of refreshments for sale.

Each class will also be running their own Enterprise stall, where the children have made something to sell. The children will also be running games stalls throughout the fayre.

The PFA need volunteers to help set up the fayre from 1.30pm, to man the stalls and to get soaked in the stocks! If you can help please see a member of the PFA or email pfa@larkshill.wakefield.sch.uk. The Summer Fayre is on **Friday 7th July from 3.30pm** and we hope you can all come along!



Uniform

You can now buy Larks Hill school uniform from Tesco. Go to Tesco Direct, school Uniform, Embroidered School Uniform and then search for Larks Hill. (direct link [here](#)). Most items of our uniform can be bought from Tesco apart from KS2 ties and certain items of PE Kit. School will also receive donations from Tesco for all purchases made through them. You can also still buy uniform from our other stockists, Signature Clothing and Better and Bright.

We do have a large amount of uniform in lost property, this will be out for you to look through at various points until end of term, please check it for any items your child may have lost as the majority will be disposed of at the end of term.

We would also like to remind you that if your child is wearing a shirt there is an expectation that a tie is worn as well. Shirts should be tucked in, polo shirts can be worn untucked. There is also an expectation that school shoes are worn not trainers



School Dates for Next Year

The calendar for next year, with term dates and inset days is available to download from our website here <http://bit.ly/2sJRYIB>. School will be back open to pupils on **Tuesday 5th September**. Please remember that we will have a new start and finish time from September, classroom doors will open at 8.45am and children should be in class from 8.50am for registration with the registers closing at 9.00am promptly. School will also be finishing 5 minutes earlier, at 3.15pm. Details of the new school day timetable have been sent out to you and can also be found on our website under 'About us, School Day' All the staff at Larks Hill wish you a very Happy Summer Holiday and look forward to welcoming all the children back to school in September.

