



## Headteacher's Newsletter 4

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Dear Parents/carers,

I cannot believe we are nearly at the end of another half term and I would like to share with you some upcoming events.

Firstly, I would like to begin this newsletter by saying Happy New Year to our Chinese families. We wish you a very safe and happy year.

### Book Look

It was so lovely to see so many of you at the Book Look on Monday. The children were so happy and proud to show you what they have been learning. We have introduced these during each half term when there is not a Parent Consultation, so that you have the opportunity to see the progress your child is making with their learning. This was one of the outcomes of the parent questionnaires that we have tried to address.

### Expressive Arts Week and Exhibition

This week has been Expressive Arts Week in school. Every year we take part in The National Gallery's 'Take One Picture' initiative. This year the painting is called 'The Courtyard of a House in Delft' by Pieter de Hooch. The children have been working extremely hard to create some beautiful masterpieces for you to see. Special thanks go to all of the staff who have been working so hard. Special thanks go to Jeanette Holland who, although she retired at Christmas, has been helping to create a large scale version of the painting with groups of children. We would like to invite you to come to our Art Exhibition which will be open next Wednesday and Thursday from 8.30am-6.00pm. I would like to say a huge thank you to Freya, Scarlett, Malaika and Matilda for designing posters for me in After School Club – they are all so lovely that I couldn't choose just one to use, so I think we will send you one each day as a reminder to come to the exhibition!

### MK Lightning Assembly

On 27<sup>th</sup> February we are extremely lucky that players from MK Lightning will be coming to join us for our assembly time. They will be talking to the children about ice hockey and you will have the opportunity to buy discounted tickets to attend a game with your family. The tickets will be available to book from 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 9am and will be for the game on 24<sup>th</sup> March at 5.30pm against Bristol Pitbulls. The discount code will give you 25% off tickets. This will only work with individual tickets, not with family tickets. You will need to book in Block 9 first, then Block 10 if it is full. I will send you the discount code as soon as I receive it. It would be lovely to see lots of you there as it is a really fun family night out.

### World Book Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March. Your child is very welcome to dress up as their favourite book character on this day if they wish.

### Attendance

Good attendance is 96% or above and this is our target. Our attendance is currently 95.7%

Lions and Hippos Classes had the highest attendance last week – well done!



### Upcoming Events

14.2.24 & 15.2.24 – 8.30am-6.00pm

Art Exhibition

19.2.24-23.2.24 – Half –term holiday

27.2.24 – MK Lightning Assembly

7.3.24 – World Book Day

8.3.24 – Mother's Day Assemblies

9.00 – Year One

9.45 – Year Two

2.15 – FS2

WB 11.3.24 – Parent consultations & Book Fair

WB 11.3.24- FS2 Bikeability

WB 18.3.24 & 25.3.24 – Nursery Parent Consultations

20.3.24 – 6.00pm –

Year Two Performance at Denbigh School Theatre

28.3.24 – FLMFS Break the Rules Day

28.3.24 – 3pm – School finishes for the Easter holidays

15.4.24 – First day of Summer Term

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## Mother's Day Assemblies

These will be taking place on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March, so put the date in your diary now! If mums are not available to attend, another female relative is extremely welcome to attend instead.

## Safeguarding Team at Loughton Manor



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