



Larwood School

Autumn Term 1

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Online Safety Update

Trigger warning: self-harm

This week, the Government announced urgent action to toughen the Online Safety Act by putting stricter legal requirements on tech companies to hunt down and remove material that encourages or assists serious self-harm. Platforms are expected to use cutting-edge technology to actively seek out and eliminate this content before it can reach users and cause irreparable harm, rather than simply reacting after someone has already been exposed to it. This is a really important step in protecting ourselves and our young people.

Sweater Weather sets in...

This week has seen our students embrace the change in season and we've been delighted to see the new uniform come into its own, with the playground full of blue jumpers at lunchtime play. Please do make sure these new items are named - whilst we don't necessarily see jumpers for goalposts, we do want to make sure all items are returned to their rightful owners.

Routine has firmly established itself this week, and the atmosphere at school has felt truly industrious. Essentials, Literacy and Numeracy remain front and centre within the working day, but we've enjoyed lessons including Computing, PSHE and Science in our first full week back. The students have really embraced the opportunity to focus on their Space topics, and have enjoyed the practical learning experiences on offer. Please do ask them about how black and white sandwich biscuits can help us better understand the phases of the moon! There was also talk of rockets being discussed via fizzy drinks and sweets in Mr Sheldon's Year 5 class, but evidence is yet to be seen...

For a number of students joining us for the first time, whether to the main school or into our Pathways provision, we hope you can see that the experiences and opportunities on offer at Larwood are just one of the things that make us such a unique learning environment. Welcome to the team.



PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS

HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Mrs Boon - **Shanice** for being a kind and caring friend.

Mrs Lewis - **Harrison** for settling in well and having a positive first week.

Miss Gwynne - **Logan Ce** for having a positive attitude towards his learning

Miss Heritage - **Elliott** for always trying his best with his learning

Mr Rooke - **George** for attempting to work independently across all subjects.

Mrs MacGuinness - **Summer** for her kindness to both adults and children.

Mr Sheldon - **Oliver H** for engaging wonderfully in lessons.

Mr Gotobed - **Renae** for her contributions to class discussions and her incredible use of adjectives i

Miss Saunders - **Jayden R** for always contributing answers and information in all lessons.

Mrs Boyo - **Jay** for settling in well and trying hard in class.

Space Hub - Ms Kimpton - **Ryan** for being very resilient and very polite this week.

ATTENDANCE AWARDS



I am pleased to announce we have 3 classes achieving a perfect 100% attendance this week.

Well done to Mrs Boon's, Mrs Boyo's and Mrs Lewis' class for achieving this.

A special mention goes to our most improved class this week Ms Saunders' class who improved their attendance by nearly 20%!

12th September 2025

Dear parents and carers,

I hope that you have had a lovely summer with your child/ren. It feels like we have so much more to look forward to this year at Larwood School. This letter is to inform you of our exciting events as outlined below. As always, these events will still be preceded via class Dojo closer to the time. We have always believed in reaching out to those less fortunate than ourselves and considering that we are a small school, all of you should feel proud in relation to the impact that your donations have for the charities below. You will notice that we also have some events such as Halloween and Valentine's Day that are solely to provide happy memories for your child while they are here.

EVENT	DATE	DRESS CODE	COST	EXTRAS
Jeans for Genes	Friday Sept 19 th	Jeans	£1	Money raised for research around genetic diseases and support families of children with genetic illnesses.
Halloween	Friday 17 th October	Costume – no violent props please.	No cost	
Children in Need	Friday Nov 14 th	Pyjamas/non uniform and slippers for indoors Bake Sale	£1 for pyjamas/non uniform Cakes/Sweets 25p-£1. (£3 max)	Money raised for Children in need and to support school community projects and sweet treats for children.
Christmas Jumper Day	Thursday, Dec 18th	Christmas Jumper and dress down	No Charge	This will take place alongside our Christmas Dinner celebrations
Valentine's Day	Friday Feb 13 th	Red, white or pink clothes Bake sale	£1 dress down £3 max for Bake sale	Funds raised to support End of term trips
World Book Day	Thursday March 5 th	Book character costume	No charge	Children will receive £1 book token
Comic Relief Day	Friday March 20 th	Non-uniform	£1 non-uniform	Money raised for Comic relief and School projects

If you would like to send in the money for these events can make any donations or payments using the school online system. If you would prefer to make any donations by cash, **please ensure you place your donation in a sealed envelope with your child's name and class teacher.** (Please note payments online provide the safest way to make payments) If other events not listed become available, we will endeavour to let you know as soon as possible.

Thank you as always for your continued support to make these events successful.

Kind Regards,

Stuart Jacobs