



# Larwood School

**Autumn Term 1**

## Online Safety Update

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Ask your children to tell you about the sites they like to visit and what they enjoy doing online.

Ask them about how they stay safe online. What tips do they have for you, and where did they learn them? What is OK and not OK to share?

Ask them if they know where to go for help, where to find the safety advice, privacy settings and how to report or block on the services they use.

Encourage them to help. Perhaps they can show you how to do something better online or they might have a friend who would benefit from their help and support.

Think about how you use the internet as a family. What could you do to get more out of the internet together and further enjoy your lives online?

For more vulnerable children or those with SEND, please see:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-families-children-with-send/>

# First Newsletter of the Academic Year

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had the most amazing first week back at school and Mrs Osobu and all the staff are incredibly proud of the children. They have been working hard, being kind and welcoming to each other and the staff, and we're delighted to share that 100% of our pupils have earned their Friday reward activity - what a fantastic achievement!

Please remember to sign up to Class Dojo to keep updated with what your child is doing in school. It's a brilliant way to stay connected with your child's learning journey and celebrate their successes with us.

Have a fabulous weekend!

Best wishes,  
Larwood Team



# PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS

## HEADTEACHER AWARDS

## ATTENDANCE AWARDS



Mrs Boon - George S for coming back to school with a positive attitude to learning

Mrs Lewis - Morgan C for a positive start to the school year.

Miss Gwynne - Charlie M for a fantastic attitude to his learning.

Miss Heritage - Tyler for having a positive week in class.

Mr Rooke - Cas for working hard and taking pride in his classroom

Mrs MacGuinness - Oscar for trying new things

Mr Sheldon - Morgan for approaching every task with enthusiasm and positivity.

Mr Gotobed - Antosh for sharing his excellent knowledge of key maths vocabulary with the class.

Miss Saunders - Finley B for transition to full days with a positive attitude.

Mrs Boyo - Spencer for being a positive role model for his peers.

Space Hub - Alex Tanner for a really positive start to the year!

It's our first full week and I am pleased to announce our class attendance winners this week have set the standard with a perfect 100%.

Well done to Mrs Lewis' class for achieving this, look out for next week to see our class winners as well as our most improved class.

# Larwood Stevenage SLT



**Mrs Osobu: Acting Headteacher**



**Mr Baines: Deputy Headteacher**



**Mrs Sutton: Assistant Headteacher**



**Mr Sheldon: Assistant Headteacher**



**Mr Van: Executive Headteacher**



**Miss Brooks: Trust SEN and Mental Health Lead**

We hope you have spotted our new Senior Leadership Team at taxi and drop-off times. To help you get to know our team better, we've included photos above and a summary of their roles below:

**Mr Pierre Van - Executive Headteacher**

Mr Van provides overall strategic leadership across our schools, ensuring high standards of education and maintaining our vision and values. He oversees school improvement initiatives and works closely with trustees and the local authority.

**Mrs Bianca Osobu - Acting Headteacher**

Mrs Osobu leads the overall strategic leadership of our school, developing our school vision and culture. She oversees safeguarding as our Lead Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) and focuses on staff development to ensure the highest quality education for your children.

**Mr Todd Baines - Deputy Headteacher**

Mr Baines oversees teaching and learning, monitoring teaching quality and managing our assessment systems. He coordinates external agency partnerships and interventions, leads on attendance, strategic behaviour oversight, and is also a Designated Safeguarding Lead.

**Mrs Mel Sutton - Assistant Headteacher**

Mrs Sutton manages our EHCP review process and SEND provision mapping. She develops inclusive curriculum adaptations, oversees the SEND department, and maintains stakeholder communications. Mrs Sutton teaches 50% of the time and is also a DSL.

**Mr Nick Sheldon - Assistant Headteacher**

Mr Sheldon manages day-to-day behaviour, develops intervention programmes, and delivers staff behaviour training. He leads on restorative practice approaches, teaches 50% of the time, and serves as a DSL.

**Miss Sian Brooks - Trust Mental Health, SEN & Strategic Safeguarding Lead**

Miss Brooks leads our trust-wide SEND strategy and mental health provision. She ensures SEND compliance across the school, supports staff wellbeing, and provides multi-academy support while serving as our Strategic Safeguarding Lead.

Our entire SLT is committed to personal development, student wellbeing, equality of opportunity, and developing life skills and independence for all our pupils.