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MESSAGES, FEEDBACK AND REFLECTIONS FROM THE HEAD

It has been another busy week at Laburnum (it always is) and this week I have met with most Class Teachers to discuss the progress that your children have been making and the support we can provide to support children to fill gaps in their knowledge and to make even greater progress. As part of the discussion, we celebrate successes and highlight which children would benefit from additional specific support, both in school and from parents at home. If your child's class teacher asks you to do some extra reading or additional number work etc. we really would be grateful if you made this part of your routine. We are still addressing learning needs as a result of the last few challenging years and all need to work together to ensure that all children get the chance they deserve to be successful learners across the curriculum.

In the next week or so, we will be sending out attendance letters highlighting your child's attendance and the different thresholds and categories that apply. As a school we have adopted the Central Bedfordshire Policy and therefore are closely aligned to all other local schools and apply the policy consistently unless we are aware of exceptional circumstances.

Over the last couple of weeks, almost every child has made a Christmas Tree Decoration. They are all fantastic, with some being displayed on our tree at the Church Christmas Tree Festival and others displayed in class or on our school Christmas Trees. Eventually, they should come home to you to keep as a memory for the future.

We hope that you get the chance to visit the Christmas Tree Festival at St. Swithuns and see our tree alongside many other trees from the community. I have included a sneak preview, but it is much more impressive in person. We also hope that lots of you can come and support the Laburnum children who are taking to the stage to sing a collection of Christmas songs on Sunday when the lights are turned on in town. Our children are performing shortly after 12 Noon. I look forward to listening to the children and seeing lots of our Laburnum families.



SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER 2023
12 - 5PM, SANDY MARKET SQUARE

LIGHTS SWITCH ON WILL HAPPEN AT 4:30PM



Christmas market & Funfair
Santa's Grotto
Refreshments
Live entertainment
School performances & Carnival Stars
Christmas raffle



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Christmas tree
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SCAN ME

REMINDER: Friday 8th is Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day – full school uniform, except the jumper. All welcome to join in – give what you can afford.

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AWARDS AND CELEBRATIONS WEEK ENDING 1st December 2023

ATTENDANCE TARGET 97%

Beech	92.7%	0 late marks
Elm	90.7%	3 late marks
Cedar	96.6%	3 late marks
Chestnut	97.7%	0 late marks
Willow	94.8%	2 late marks
Sycamore	96.0%	0 late marks
Oak	96.2%	2 late marks

THE GOLDEN MILE



This week the Golden Mile trophies were awarded to:

EYFS & KS1

KS2

Cedar

Oak

HOUSE POINTS THIS WEEK



334



278



316



345

WEEKLY CLASS C.A.R.E.S AWARD CERTIFICATES

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APPLE	BEECH	ELM	CEDAR
C - Arvin A - Bernadette R - Hussain E - Freddie S - Indianna CARES - Noah	C - Daniella A - Tiffany R - Tanner E - Demi S - Finley CARES - Tia	C - Lawson A - Sienna R - Aria E - Alivia S - Hendrix CARES - Johnhenry	C - Freddie A - Austin R - Skyla E - Ezra S - Henri CARES - Edith
CHESTNUT	WILLOW	SYCAMORE	OAK
C - Sienna A - Leila R - Joshua E - Amelia D S - Evelina CARES - Bethany	C - Jake A - Maddie R - Lana E - Nadia S - Lottie CARES - Meredith	C - Layton A - Sofia R - Penelope E - Milo S - Rory CARES - Lily-Eve	C - Eileen A - Neveyah R - Mia E - Edvinas S - Anna-Rose CARES - Connor

WHOLE SCHOOL CARES AWARD



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C.A.R.E.S AWARD

CONGRATULATIONS!

Nursery
Apple Class
1st December

WHOLE SCHOOL LUNCHTIME AWARD



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Year 4
Willow Class
1st December

CLASS DOJO

Messages sent to families

231

291 Last week



Photos and videos shared

32

38 Last week



Positive feedback %

100%

100% Last week



December

Thursday 7 th	9.25am-3.15pm	Nursery & Reception visit Herrings Green Farm	Wilstead, Beds
Friday 8 th	All Day	Save the Children, Christmas Jumper Day	
Wednesday 13 th	9:30am 2:30pm	Reception Christmas Production Reception Christmas Production	School Hall School Hall
Friday 15 th	12.00pm	Y1 & Y2 Pantomime , Milton Keynes Theatre	
Monday 18 th	4:00pm	Whole School Carols on the Playground	Playground
Tuesday 19 th		School Closes for Christmas Break	

January

Thursday 4 th		School Opens for Spring Term: Reception-Y6 Pupils return to school Nursery 1:1 New Parent & Child Meetings	
Friday 6 th		Nursery Pupils return to school	
Friday 19 th	All Day	Y6 Young Voices	The O2 Arena, London
Friday 26 th	All Day	Y3 & Y4 Bikeability Level 1	

February

Friday 9 th	All day	CHUMS Shine Bright, Wear Bright	
Monday 5 th	9-10:00am	Oak (Y6) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in	Oak Classroom
Tuesday 6 th	9-10:00am	Cedar (Y2) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in Sycamore (Y5) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in	Cedar Classroom Sycamore Classroom
Wednesday 7 th	9-10:00am	Elm (Y1) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in Chestnut (Y3) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in	Elm Classroom Chestnut Classroom
Thursday 8 th	9-10:00am	Apple (N) Class Parent Session Drop-in Beech (YR) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in	Apple Classroom Beech Classroom
Friday 9 th	9-10:00am	Willow (Y4) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in	Willow Classroom
Monday 12 th	3:00-3:30pm	Pupil books available for Parents/Children to view together (books also available for in-school Parent/Teacher Meetings)	Classrooms
Tuesday 13 th		Parent/Teacher Meetings	Virtual and in-school appointments available
Thursday 15 th		Parent/Teacher Meetings	
Friday 16 th		School closes for half term break	
Monday 26 th		School opens for Spring 2	

March

Thursday 7 th		World Book Day	
Tuesday 12 th	10:00-11:00am	Nursery 'stay and play' session (April admission children/parents by invite)	Apple Classroom
Thursday 14 th	1:30-2:30pm	Nursery 'stay and play' session (April admission children/parents by invite)	Apple Classroom
Friday 15 th		Red Nose Day	
Thursday 28 th		School closes for Easter Break	

April

Tuesday 16 th		School Opens for Summer Term: Reception-Y6 Pupils return to school Nursery 1:1 New Parent & Child Meetings	
Wednesday 17 th		Nursery Pupils return to school	
Wednesday 17 th – Friday 19 th		Year 4 – Grafham Water Activity Centre	

May

Monday 6 th		May Day Bank Holiday: School Closed	
Mon 13 th -Thurs 16 th		Year 6 Statutory Assessments (SATs)	
Mon 20 th		SCARF Life Education Visit to Laburnum	
Friday 24 th		School closes for half term break	

June

Monday 3 rd		School opens for Summer 2	
Wednesday 5 th		Yr 5/6 Faith Tour, Queens Park, Bedford	
Mon 3 rd – Fri 14 th		Year 4 Multiplication Check window	
Mon 10 th – Fri 14 th		Year 1 Phonics Screening Check week	
Tuesday 25 th	10:00-11:00am	Nursery 'stay and play' session (September admission children/parents by invite)	Apple Classroom
Thursday 27 th	1:30-2:30pm	Nursery 'stay and play' session (September admission children/parents by invite)	Apple Classroom

July

Friday 12 th		Annual Pupil Reports to Parents	
Monday 15 th		School Sports Day (Times to be confirmed)	
Weds 17 th - Thurs 18 th		Class Transition Days (Children in new classes)	
Friday 19 th	2:20pm	Year 6 Leavers Assembly School closes for summer break	



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Do you need a September 2024 starting school place for your child?

Admission Tours Booking Now



All tours are led by the Head Teacher and you will visit all classrooms and key areas of the school.

We currently have availability in Nursery (sessions are flexible) for an immediate start (3yrs+). We also have places in some other year groups – please contact the school office for more information.

To visit Laburnum contact the School Office to arrange a suitable time.



Come and meet our team and see our school in action...

Phone or E-Mail the school office to book onto one of our tours or to arrange an alternative time.

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FREE COURSE FOR PARENTS/CARERS!

Helping Children with Maths

What does the course cover?

- Building practical skills and the confidence to support children with maths
- Ideas for using maths in everyday activities with children
- Exploring activities and games to make maths fun in the everyday

How is it completed?

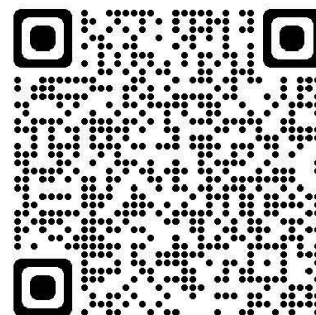
By attending four 2-hour sessions as part of a small, tutor led group & completing short pieces of homework.

When can I start?

- Laburnum Primary School
- Wednesdays, 9:15am – 11:15am
- 17, 24, 31 January and 7 February 2024

How do I book on?

Booking a place is simple. Fill out this enquiry form via the link or scan the QR code www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/BESA-contact-us



Please speak to a member of staff if you would like a paper form to complete.

For information or support, please contact us

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Do You Have An Autistic Child?

Being a Parent of an Autistic Child is a free course for local parents and carers of children with autism (they do not have to have received a diagnosis).

This interactive and informal course is delivered online via Zoom. It is run over ten weeks by trained parent group facilitators who have first-hand experience of the joys and challenges of having a child with ASD.

In the course, we will explore:

- The experience of being a parent of an autistic child
- Understanding your autistic child
- Help with communication, interaction and playing with your autistic child

- Everyday strategies and routines to assist your child
- Understanding your child's behaviour so you can meet their needs
- Understanding 'overwhelm/meltdowns' to prevent and helpfully manage recovery.

By the end of the course, you will have:

- Increased confidence in your parenting
- Positive parenting skills to improve the quality of the interactions you have with your child.

Course Dates

15th January - 25th March from 8 - 9.30 pm.

Talk to us today to find out more and book your place on this free course.

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