

# LEALANDS NEWS

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*Responsibility*

*Respect*

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# INTRODUCTION

FROM HEADTEACHER, MR BURRIDGE

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Dear Parent/Carer,

After the cold dark days of January it is great to be heading into Spring and all that this brings with the promise of renewal. On that theme, we continue to work with all our students on their attitudes and values, recognising that they can choose how they act and what they achieve through the correct attitude. To support this, Miss Duge produced a fantastic video presentation that all our students watched with their tutors about manners and politeness. We have introduced a new STEP point for this called MAPS and it has been wonderful to see so many of our students embracing this to make our community a better place with thousands of MAPs already awarded. This timely introduction fits well with February's value of the month which is 'kindness'.

Our final push towards GCSEs is well underway with extensive revision and intervention classes offered to students and some practical exams already taken; our students studying Hospitality and Catering produced some amazing dishes for this, beautifully presented. It was fantastic to see the culmination of all their learning and preparation, working so calmly and carefully under the time and exam pressure.

Earlier this term, parents were invited to a presentation about our relationship, health and sex education. It was great to see a number of parents attend and engage with this. Mr White has produced a fantastic Loom of the presentation for anyone who could not attend or who is interested in what we teach and how we teach it. This is available on the school website. We know that this aspect of education is a very sensitive one and one which requires parents to engage in sometimes difficult conversations with their teenagers. We are always able to help with advice and information so please do get in touch if you would like this.

I am really excited by the many additional opportunities that we are building into The Lealands Journey (this outlines all the trips, experiences and visits we provide to students across their 5 years with us and is available to view on the school website). We are constantly looking to enhance what we can provide and the range of opportunities is phenomenal. We try to ensure that some of these are low or no cost to support our families, but also want to provide the widest range and so we will be having another trip to

Morocco (it's a long time since the last one!) and a very exciting ski trip is being planned to Italy for 2025. We have started planning our end of term experience day trips with the aim that every student attends an off-site experience that day. Many of the popular standard trips will be on offer again and many new experiences so there is something to appeal to everyone. Please make sure

# INTRODUCTION

FROM HEADTEACHER, MR BURRIDGE (CONT'D)

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your child signs up for one of these when the information is published - we want EVERYONE involved!

We continue our school journey of excellence, having picked up our next award, the Silver Arts Mark. The arts are a powerful learning experience and are extensive at Lealands. I am hugely grateful to all our staff, but particularly to Mrs Reason, Director of Art, for driving this over a number of years. Our Artist in Residence does amazing work with students and the wider arts curriculum is second to none.

We have been pleased to host some face-to-face parents evenings alongside our online parents evenings this year. We recognise that there are pros and cons for both approaches and so currently have a mix of these across the 5 years. This is constantly under review to ensure that staff and parents can meet and work together in the best way possible to support their child's learning. Please don't hesitate to let us know your thoughts on this if you have any.

You may be aware that there is a national drive on school attendance. Although, our attendance continues to be significantly above the national average, like all schools this has declined following the Pandemic for various reasons. We have also seen an increase in lateness to school and, in some cases, lessons. We are determined to ensure that our students get the best education possible and the first step in this is to be present. Extensive research demonstrates the negative impact of missing school time; even just a small amount, on progress and all outcomes for young people. We are seeking your support to ensure that your child/children arrive to school on time every day and is present whenever possible. As you know, we sanction lateness with detentions daily, but these should not be necessary and certainly should never occur more than once. If there is a specific and unavoidable reason for your child arriving late, please phone to let us know. On the other hand, we will continue to reward our students for great attendance and punctuality so they know how much this is valued for them.

Finally, I am so looking forward to the upcoming performance of 'Grease'. Our performers have been rehearsing tirelessly for months and it should prove to be another amazing show. I hope to see many of you there.

**John Burridge**  
Headteacher

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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### SAVE THE DATE:

<b>Half - Term:</b>	Monday 19th February - Friday 23rd February
<b>Year 11 Spring Mocks Begin:</b>	Monday 26th February
<b>Year 9 Options Parents Information Evening:</b>	Thursday 29th February
<b>Literacy Week:</b>	Monday 4th March - Friday 8th March
<b>Dress Up As A Book Character:</b>	Friday 8th March
<b>School Show - GREASE:</b>	Tuesday 26th March - Thursday 28th March
<b>Spring Term Ends:</b>	Thursday 28th March
<b>Summer Term Begins:</b>	Monday 15th April

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### TERM DATES:

<b>Spring Term:</b>	Wednesday 3rd January 2024 - Thursday 28th March 2024
<b>Half-Term:</b>	Monday 19th February - Friday 23rd February 2024
<b>Summer Term:</b>	Monday 15th April 2024 - Friday 19th July 2024
<b>Half Term:</b>	Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May 2024

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### STAFF TRAINING DAYS:

Friday 12th April 2024

Full academic term dates for 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 can be found on the school website: <https://www.lealands.luton.sch.uk/termdates>

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## STUDENT LEAVE OF ABSENCE POLICY

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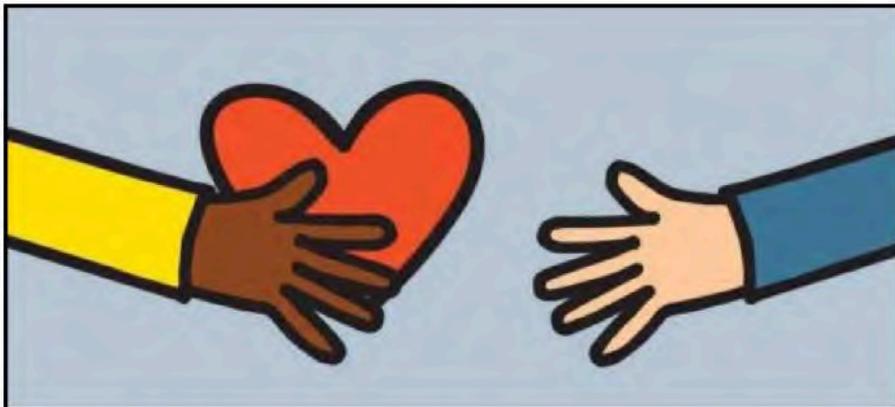
We would like to draw your attention to the Student Leave of Absence Policy which can be found on the school website here: <https://www.lealands.luton.sch.uk/policies>.

Leave will only be granted in the most exceptional of circumstances. Proof may be requested by the school or Education Welfare Officer to support the decision making process. It should be noted that in most cases leave will be unauthorised which will lead to a fine being issued for 5 or more days absence.

**VALUE OF THE MONTH**

**February 2024**

**"Kindness"**



Being kind to others is one way  
of demonstrating **Respect**.

**During your day, see how many  
acts of genuine kindness you can  
demonstrate.**

## SPORTS SUCCESSES!

### BASKETBALL

The Year 7 girls' basketball team made it to the Luton Schools finals back in December against Cardinal Newman. In a hard fought battle, the girls came out on top, winning 16-13 to be crowned town champions! They went onto the county competition on 18th January and competed at a very high level against teams from all over Bedfordshire; including many middle schools with a few years experience together. They won 5 games and lost just 2 which meant they came 3rd place overall. A fantastic achievement in their first year at Lealands as a team!



The Year 7 boys' basketball team went through their games undefeated; reaching the finals in December. They, like the girls, faced Cardinal Newman. An excellent team performance saw them win 28-4 and be named as town champions! On 24th January, they went to compete at the county competition where they put in many great performances. The team were undefeated, 5 wins and 1 draw, as was Robert Bloomfield Academy. It then went to basket difference, where the boys lost out by 4 baskets! An excellent job to come in 2nd place in such a strong competition.

Our U16 girls qualified for the County Basketball finals after a strong league campaign. An excellent county tournament ended with both Luton schools competing in the final. A great win 30- 12 against Cardinal Newman saw them crowned County Champions! They will now go on to represent Bedfordshire at Regionals.



# SPORTS SUCCESSES!

## NETBALL

Our Year 7, Year 8 and U16 netball teams had strong league campaigns and all qualified for the Luton finals which will take place on the 14th and 15th February!



## SWIMMING GALA

We had an amazing day taking 36 students to the Luton Schools swimming gala!

A great job from Year 10/11 girls and Year 10/11 boys who both won 3rd place.

Our Year 7/8 girls did a fantastic job to achieve 2nd place! The Year 7/8 boys just missed out on the medals with a 4th place finish; a great performance nonetheless.



## SPORTS SUCCESSES!

### HANDBALL

Our Year 7/8 girls' handball team played their first competitive tournament on Tuesday 23rd January 2024. They did a great job coming 2nd out of all the Luton schools. This means they have qualified for the county competition in March!



Our Year 9/10 boys also competed very well a week later, also achieving 2nd place and qualifying for the county competition in March. They were a bit camera shy!

Good luck to those teams at the county tournaments!

### CROSS COUNTRY

In January, we took 36 students to the town cross country championships at Stockwood Park. All students did very well in bitterly cold conditions.



Exceptional excellence was shown from the students listed below who have qualified to race in the county cross country championships which potentially will give them entry into the national cross country championships!

Janae (7th) and Rebeca (10th) Year 7 Girls  
Lucian (3rd) and Logan (9th) Year 7 Boys  
Bartosz (5th) and Caleb (10th) Year 8/9 Boys  
Joni (1st) and Camelia C (2nd) Year 10/11 Girls

It was also a team competition in which Year 7 Boys came 1st and Year 7 Girls came 3rd out of all the Luton Schools.



# LEALANDS' RECORD BREAKING STUDENTS

CLASS OF 2023

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We are absolutely thrilled that our already record-breaking Progress8 score for the class of 2022/23 was upgraded on 1st February 2024 to -0.01. This means that more students than ever from our school achieved or exceeded the grades than they would have achieved at other schools. Lealands is continuing to move ever upwards, which was recognised when the school was judged “Good” by Ofsted last year. In addition, Lealands places in the top 30% compared to schools nationally with a similar cohort for progress.

A positive Progress8 score has been our ambition since the measure was introduced in 2016 and this is a huge step towards that. We are thrilled with our students' outcomes and our fantastic staff who supported the students to achieve these results. It has been a pleasure to see so many of them returning to school to collect their brilliant result certificates.

## SOME OF OUR HIGHEST FLIERS

- Genevieve achieved 7 grade 9s and 2 grade 8s
- Reina, our Head Girl, achieved 6 grade 9s and 3 grade 8s
- Tommy achieved 6 grade 9s, a Level 2 Distinction\* (8.5) in Child Development, 1 grade 8 and 1 grade 7
- Taskin achieved 5 grade 9s, 3 grade 8s and 1 grade 7
- Abbie achieved average an average grade of 8.38
- Ushaaney achieved average an average grade of 8.28

In addition, it has been great to hear successes from students who left longer ago: university offers, apprenticeships and the starts of exciting careers.

We are confident that our current students will emulate this success and reach or even surpass the year group's before them. Our current Year 11 students are preparing for their mock exams after the half-term break; and then in May/June they will sit their GCSEs.

Timetables and logistics for both are here: <https://www.lealands.luton.sch.uk/exams>

Further reading here:

<https://www.compare-school-performance.service.gov.uk/school/109686/lealands-high-school>

## MEET OUR NEW PARENT GOVERNOR

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We would like to introduce Melissa Llewellyn who was elected as Parent Governor in November.

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I have 2 daughters at Lealands, in years 9 and 11. I'm passionate about young people accessing opportunities and the preventative and aspirational significance this has in driving their attitudes towards learning and careers.

I've worked with several local charities and places of worship over the past 10 years, and currently have roles which involve supporting people who are in difficult circumstances and engaging with social and systemic disadvantage.

I develop and deliver training in areas including safeguarding, inclusion, and relationships and sex education, and oversee hardship projects and community activities. I'm keen to use my safeguarding and fundraising experience to benefit the school and its pupils, and to broaden my skillset through my role as a governor.



## LITERACY PROGRESS WINNERS!

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The Year 7 and 8 students who made the most progress in their literacy groups during the Autumn Term were:

**Year 7- Desire M, 71EW**

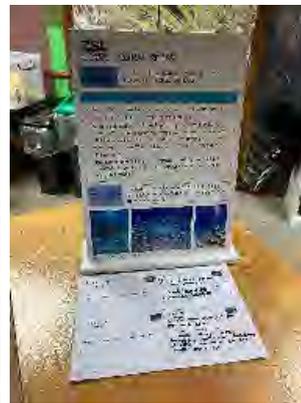
**Year 8 - Erion B, 82JW**

Both students will receive a £10 Amazon voucher. Congratulations on all your hard work, keep it up!

## YEAR 7 AND 8 LITERACY WORKSHOPS



In December, we took our Year 7 literacy students to Whipsnade Zoo to take part in a climate change workshop. They learned about climate change, how it affects us and how we can contribute to global warming. They also analysed temperature and animal data to establish the effects of climate on endangered animals. Then there was some free time to explore the zoo and students were lucky enough to see some of the animals up close in their enclosures.



In December, our Year 8 literacy students took part in a history workshop run by Wardown Museum. In the session they learned about the expansion of Luton, life in a workhouse and the straw hat making process. They were able to have a go at straw splitting, plaiting and hat decoration to help them understand the history of the town they live in.



## MOST ABLE ACTIVITIES CONTINUE ACROSS THE SCHOOL

Our Key Stage 3 teams are busy preparing for the UK maths challenge in May with the introduction of the Maths Challenge club run at lunchtime with Mr Choudhury. We have entered a select number of our 10 mathematicians into the National Maths Fest. They will compete against schools from across the local regions.

Our Year 10 Oxford University Wadham programme students attended their second outreach evening. This time the students enjoyed two lectures from Oxford University postgraduate students on medicine and history. They will all attend a further outreach session in March, before getting the opportunity to Visit Wadham College, Oxford during the summer term.

The challenge programme will start for our Most Able students in Key Stage 3 during the second half of the spring term. Mr Pearson will share details with the students during assemblies.

## YEAR 11 MOCK EXAM TIMETABLE SPRING 2024

	PERIOD 1 9.00 - 10.00	PERIOD 2 10.00 - 11.00	BREAK 11.00 - 11.27	PERIOD 3 11.27 - 12.25	PERIOD 4 12.25 - 1.30	LUNCH 1.30 - 2.02	PERIOD 5 2.02 - 3.00	TUTOR 3.00 - 3.20
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 14-Feb	Art			Art			Art	
<b>MONDAY</b> 26 Feb	English Language 2 9.00 - 10.45			French Listening, Reading 11.30 - 1.15			History 1 2.05 - 3.20	
<b>TUESDAY</b> 27 Feb	Spanish Listening, Reading 9.00 - 10.45			Sociology 1 11.30 - 1.15 Computer science 1 11.30 - 1.00			Child Development 2.05 - 3.20 Drama 2.05 - 3.05	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 28 Feb	Combined science - biology 2 9.00 - 10.15 Triple science - biology 2 9.00 - 10.45			Geography 1 11.30 - 1.00				
<b>THURSDAY</b> 29 Feb	Maths 1 9.00 - 10.30			Health & Fitness 11.30 - 1.00 PE 1 11.30 - 12.30			Health & Social Care 2.05 - 3.20 Dance 2.05 - 3.05	
<b>FRIDAY</b> 1 Mar	Design & Technology 9.00 - 11.00			Clash/Mop up session 1				
<b>MONDAY</b> 4 Mar	English Literature 2 9.00 - 10.45			Sociology 2 11.30 - 1.15			French Writing 2.05 - 3.20 Spanish Writing 2.05 - 3.20	
<b>TUESDAY</b> 5 Mar	Music 1hr 30 Computer science 2 9.00 - 10.30			Combined science - chemistry 2 11.30 - 12.45 Triple science - chemistry 2 11.30 - 1.15				
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 6 Mar	Maths 2 9.00 - 10.30			History 3 1hr 20			English Y10 2.05 - 3.00	
<b>THURSDAY</b> 7 Mar	Geography 2 9.00 - 10.30			Further maths 11.30 - 1.15			PE 2 2.05 - 3.05	
<b>FRIDAY</b> 8 Mar	Combined science - physics 2 9.00 - 10.15 Triple science - physics 2 9.00 - 10.45			Clash/Mop up session 2 French, Spanish speaking				
<b>TUESDAY</b> 12 Mar				Public exam Drama moderation 12.00				
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 13 Mar	French, Spanish speaking - all day							

# LITERACY WEEK 2024

This year, during Literacy Week, we will be focusing on poetry and exploring different types of poems.

Hopefully, once the week has finished, students will have a favourite poem! We have chosen poetry as a theme for Literacy Week this year for many different reasons, but to also celebrate the life of poet, author and activist Benjamin Zephaniah. If students are not familiar with Benjamin Zephaniah, this will be a good opportunity for them and for you to encourage your child to research some of Benjamin Zephaniah's poems before the week; in particular recommend "*People need People*".

If you would like more information, please watch this loom video:

<https://www.loom.com/share/eff979d27c4745ecb41942c968316f10>



**Literacy Week 2024** BOOK DAY

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Lealands **WORLD RECORDS 2024**

*Celebrating the life of Benjamin Zephaniah*

Monday 4th March - Friday 8th March



**Literacy Week 2024** BOOK DAY

**Monday Accelerated Reader Competition!**

For year 7s and 8s, we'd like you to get into teams of up to 4, come up with a team name, and the team who accumulates the most Accelerated Reader points will win an afternoon of watching a film and eating popcorn during P5.

The competition starts now and the winning team will be announced on Friday 1st March.

Make sure you register your team with Ms Rezaei!

Monday 4th March - Friday 8th March



**Literacy Week 2024** BOOK DAY

**Find the poetry books competition!**

A competition for all years to get involved with - there will be some poetry books hidden around the school. If you find one, hand it to Ms Rezaei in the LRC to claim your prize. The prize can vary from sweets to a voucher!

**Tuesday**

Monday 4th March - Friday 8th March

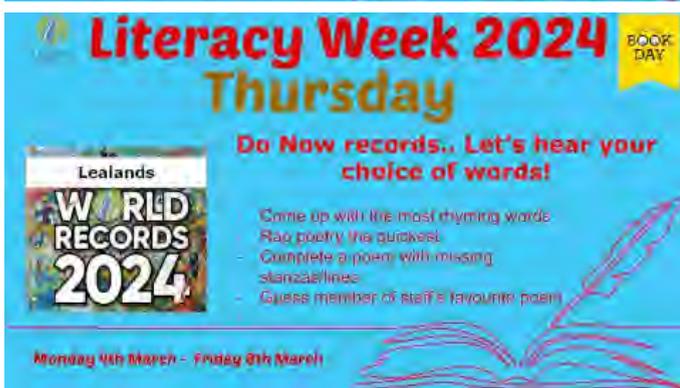


**Literacy Week 2024** BOOK DAY

**Wednesday Pizza Party!**

The traditional Accelerated Reader Pizza Party will be taking place during P4 and 5. We will be inviting the top 40 students in year 7 and 8.

Monday 4th March - Friday 8th March



**Literacy Week 2024** BOOK DAY

**Thursday**

**Do Now records. Let's hear your choice of words!**

Lealands **WORLD RECORDS 2024**

- Come up with the most rhyming words
- Rap poetry via quizzlet
- Complete a poem with missing stanzas/lines
- Guess member of staff's favourite poem

Monday 4th March - Friday 8th March



**Literacy Week 2024** BOOK DAY

**Friday**

**Dress Up Day!**

Year 7 and 8 - Dress up  
Y9 + KS4 - Name tag of favourite book/poem

Go big! No casual clothing allowed! If you do not wish to take part, please come in full uniform.

Monday 4th March - Friday 8th March

# LITERACY WEEK 2024

## Literacy Week 2024 Friday

**BOOK DAY**

**Things to remember...**

- Dress up is just for **fun!** It's not for school.
- We do not want to see any casual clothing, even if it is a book character who wears casual clothing.
- It is **family time**, so do not wear an outfit that you would wear to meet with friends with at the weekend.
- It's **not** a fashion parade if you wish to dress up.
- If you do not want to take part you must come in **full school uniform**.

**Go big! No casual clothing allowed!** If you do not wish to take part, please come in full uniform.

Monday 4th March – Friday 8th March

## Literacy Week 2024 ...and many more!

**BOOK DAY**

A book fair will be coming into school during 29/02 - 05/03 where you can purchase books. You can order online and pick up your books in school, or browse the selection in school and pay using cash.

Scholastic Book Fair! in LRC 29/02 - 05/03



## DRESS UP TIPS

## Literacy Week 2024

**BOOK DAY**

**Start with pyjamas**

**Think about sleepwear**

Pyjamas are a great way to get into the spirit of the occasion. The **Paddington** film has inspired many to wear their favourite bear's pyjamas. You can also get your hands on the **Bluey** pyjamas from Lealands Store. Just make sure to try your pyjamas on before the film!

Friday 8th March

## Literacy Week 2024

**BOOK DAY**

**Start with a stripey jumper**

Got a stripey jumper? Brilliant - it can be the start of many an easy costume. Dennis the Menace? Where's Wally? a pirate, Horrid Henry.

Friday 8th March

## Literacy Week 2024

**BOOK DAY**

**Think Hunger Games**

If you want new costume ideas from books that haven't been done to death - think of new releases over the past year or so. The **Hunger Games** is a perfect example for older children. You can cobble an easy **Katniss** costume (brown leggings and top, plaited hair, toy bow and arrow) or go all out with vivid wigs, fabrics and face paint for a character like **Effie Trinket**.

Friday 8th March

## Literacy Week 2024

**BOOK DAY**

**Be creative with cardboard**

Think of what you can cut out and create from cardboard - what about two huge pieces of cardboard with strings at the top to make it flaps and you can paint it gold to go as the **Golden Ticket** from **Charlie and the Chocolate Factory**? Or use boxes to make a **Terminator** costume.

Friday 8th March

## Literacy Week 2024

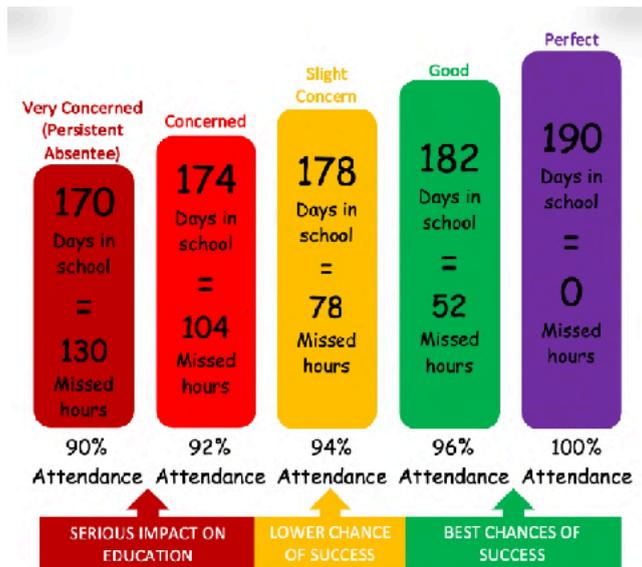
**BOOK DAY**

**Think Harry Potter**

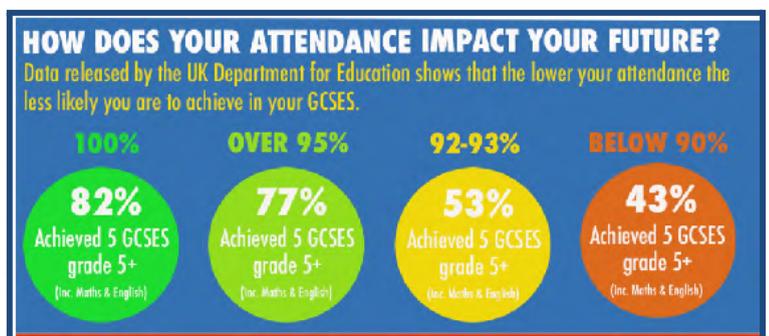
Easy peasy! Buy (or make) a black cloak. Add a zig zag scar and glasses for **Harry**, a stuffed rat for **Remus** and then in a jiffy you are a star!

Friday 8th March

We all know that good attendance at school is so important in helping students achieve good GCSE grades. The more time a student has off school, the harder they will find their GCSE exams.



The images shown here, indicate how low attendance has a direct negative impact on achievement.



## What parents/carers must do:

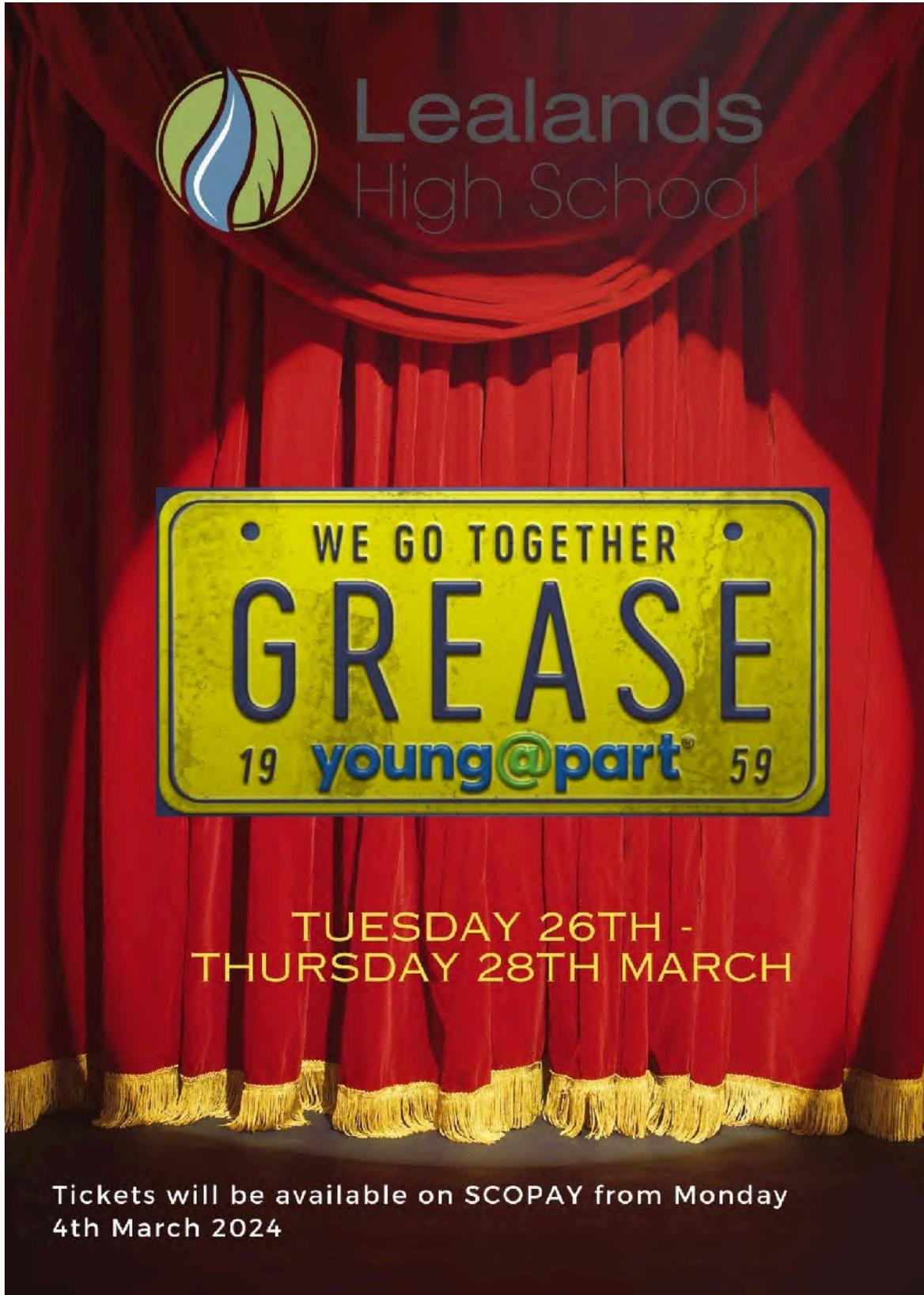
- Try to telephone the school before 8.30am each day of your child's absence.
- Tell the school in advance of any medical appointments and bring in appointment cards/letters.
- If you are not sure whether your child is well enough to attend school, send them in anyway as they often perk up on arrival.
- Have a backup plan for if your child misses transport, call on a family member, neighbour or friend.
- If you and your child are experiencing difficulties with school attendance then talk to us as a first step so we can help!

## What WE will do:

- Check your child's attendance every day.
- Phone home to discuss your child's attendance with you.
- Invite you into school for attendance meetings if we are concerned.
- If we cannot establish a reason for absence, then we may make a welfare home visit.

# “GREASE: GET READY TO ROCK ‘N’ ROLL!”

SAVE THE DATE! OUR ANNUAL SCHOOL PRODUCTION RETURNS IN MARCH!



 Lealands  
High School

• WE GO TOGETHER •  
**GREASE**  
19 **young@part** 59

TUESDAY 26TH -  
THURSDAY 28TH MARCH

Tickets will be available on SCOPAY from Monday  
4th March 2024

# ACTIVE LEARN UPDATE

YEAR 7 AND 8

The Languages Department would like to congratulate these students who have achieved Epraise badges for their overall progress on ActiveLearn. A total of 681 badges have been awarded since the start of the academic year. Well done to everyone mentioned!

ActiveLearn E-Praise Badges Awarded During January			
Bronze - 25%		Silver - 50%	Gold - 75%
<b>Year 7</b>			
Ainsley H	Lenny B	Aiden C	
Alessia M	Lexi C	Dawid M	
Anoosh A	Lexie A	Elisa I	<b>Platinum - 100%</b>
Bianca H	Malachy J	Faheem D	Kayla V
Biram B	Marcel P	Gabriela S	Sama K
Brendan C	Marzuq C	Golden G	
Brooklyn N	Miley C	Harleen K	<b>Extra 100%</b>
Cyanne N	Nevaeh C	Ilary S	Angel B
Eva D	Noah H	Jack C	Mikey L
Evie S	Rahima B	Kalel B	
Filip P	Sean M	Keya M	
Fisnik D	Sophie S	Markayda A	
Franchesca D	Tyrell S	Natasha P	
Harjot C	Vagmi D	Ramani S	
Izma H	Vjola L	Riley F	
Jack C	Zoe J	Sarah S	
Jameela M	Zyiad H	Sophie R	
Jenson M			
<b>Year 8</b>			
Aabidah A	Kayla F	Amelia S	Lithushan C
Alexandra K	Kodie A	Aria L	Szymon R
Alexandru I	Kyiran B	Autumn S	
Ashan B	Layla W	Eduard S	<b>Platinum - 100%</b>
Charlee-Jo B	Lucy C	Gabriel M	Nitya B
Chloe A	Luke A	Keron M	Suhana A
Cyran E	Madison H	Maha Iman A	
Ella-Louise C	Princess A	Megan C	<b>Extra 100%</b>
Emmanuel F	Richie E	Paula E	Nitya B
Filip M	Richmond B	Ramani S	
Grace M	Ruby B	Serene-Zuriel A	
Gurmanjoot S	Sabrina O	Sophie B	
Jack S	Senen T		
Jai S	Surya P		
Jamie Z	Taliyah-Marie T		
Jessica B	Tayla-Mae J		
Kaya W	Tianna T		

# ACTIVE LEARN UPDATE

YEARS 9, 10 AND 11

ActiveLearn E-Praise Badges Awarded During January			
Bronze - 25%	Silver - 50%	Gold - 75%	Platinum - 100%
<b>Year 9</b>			
Alexandra S Dexter S Edward H Elijah M Ellie-Marie S Emmanuel O Holly E Jadesola M Kyera M Lena B Lucas T Nathan N Regan B Renato D Saima M Selina R Titilayo F Tristan B Xenon N Zainab S	Aleesa A Alexandra S Amelia I Giulia D Zoe D		<b>Extra Tasks</b>

ActiveLearn E-Praise Badges Awarded During January				
Bronze - 25%	Silver - 50%	Gold - 75%	Platinum - 75%	
<b>Year 10</b>				
Adelajda B Iasmina C Jenna H Joshua A Kayden T Kenzie M Talisha J Tommy R	Armando D Charisma E Chloe M Danny M Fareed B Hollie B Jenna H Joni S	Kayden T Khadeejah K Lui-Kye M Pola J Saief A Taaibah A Zoe P	Abbie H David O Falak D Harry P Joni S Judith B Kyras S Natalie B Omar C Shalom B Zainab S	
<b>Year 11</b>				
	Tegan S	Safaa E	Petal C	

# FREE SCHOOL MEALS

IS YOUR CHILD ELIGIBLE?

  Free School Meals - Check It Out Now! For more information and to check if you can get FREE School Meals please visit this website:

 <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Start taking advantage of our yummy and nutritious school meals and think about what else you could buy with the money you save! 💰💭🍎🍕

## **GREAT TASTING & GREAT VALUE FOOD AT SCHOOL!**

See counters for further details



## **MEAL DEALS**

**FRESHLY MADE  
ON SITE IN  
OUR KITCHEN  
EVERY DAY!**

\*Free School Meal Allowance can be used to buy a Meal Deal.

# ARTIST IN RESIDENCE UPDATE



Tuesday 3-4pm

Art club is continuing to be very popular with sessions filled with a range of students from year 7 to year 10!

We have had an array of techniques used from painting to 3D modelling to fashion design! So come along and get creating!



It's Art Competition Time!

## Competition 1

The Step Forward Luton campaign are looking for people to create artwork to help towards the rebranding of the town through a **Creative competition.**

The idea behind the project is to invite people to create artwork and poetry about Luton promoting and celebrating what is unique about the town.

Ways you can do this are:

- Drawings
- Paintings
- Sculpture
- Acting
- Ceramics
- Filmmaking or filming some of the artwork and performances
- Poetry, Invite people to make poems of Luton and their experiences



For more information see [Mrs Ward-Lindsay](#)



**STEP FORWARD LUTON CREATIVES**  
CALLING ON ALL LUTON'S CREATIVES

ATTITUDE WILL BE WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CREATIVES IN SCHOOLS, COLLEGES AND COMMUNITY GROUPS WHO WILL MAKE CREATIVE IMAGES OF LUTON

THROUGH PAINTINGS, DRAWINGS, ARTWORK, COMICS, PHOTOGRAPHS OF ANYTHING RELATED TO LUTON INCLUDING HISTORICAL RATS, VAUXHALL CARS, LUTON AIRPORT PLANE

WE WANT PEOPLE TO BEGIN CREATING ARTWORK BEFORE NOVEMBER 2023 AND FEBRUARY 2024 TO BE DISPLAYED ACROSS LUTON IN 2024

STEP FORWARD LUTON

WE WANT YOU TO BE THE NEXT LUTON CREATIVES! VISIT US AT [www.stepforwardluton.com](http://www.stepforwardluton.com)

ATTITUDE Luton's Best

# ARTIST IN RESIDENCE UPDATE

Competition 2



See Mrs. Ward-Lindsay for more information on what and how you can enter and prize details!

## Competition Theme: **Everyday Heroes**

Heroes don't have to wear capes or have superpowers. Every day our lives are enhanced by small acts of heroism — and our competitions this year explore those real human stories; the stories of **everyday heroes**. Those real life, everyday experiences that remind us how lucky we are to have these good people in our worlds.

You don't have to reveal the name of your hero, and your work doesn't have to be about someone you know. It could be your best friend who makes your dark days that little bit brighter; it could be a stranger whose good deed turned your day around; or it could even be a well-known public figure whose actions have impacted your life — but whoever you choose, your piece of poetry or art must explore an experience that, in your world, is heroic.

You can submit a poem, or a piece of artwork; there is no age restriction and there is no cost to enter.

**DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: Thursday 29th February 2024**

### Mindful Art

We have had an exciting few weeks since the last newsletter. Some of our students have finished their Mindful Art sessions having made some wonderful work, whilst new group and one to one sessions have started for other students providing a space for some much needed calm and focus in a quiet and creative space.



Mrs. Ward-Lindsay  
Artist in Residence



## Lealands has achieved Artsmark Silver Award!

After two years of fantastic work by our staff, students and community, we are so proud to announce that we have been awarded 'Artsmark Silver'. This is the only creative quality standard for schools and is accredited by the Arts Council England. Artsmark provide a framework for schools to embed creativity across the whole curriculum and bring learning to life through arts, culture and creativity.

Highlights from the Arts Council report about the Arts at Lealands:

*'Significant progress has been made, with the appointment of an Artist in Residence marking the value that is placed in the role of the arts within your community.'*

*'Your 'Lealands Journey' now entitles all students to a broad range of extra curricular activities and trips and is particularly valuable to your more vulnerable students.'*

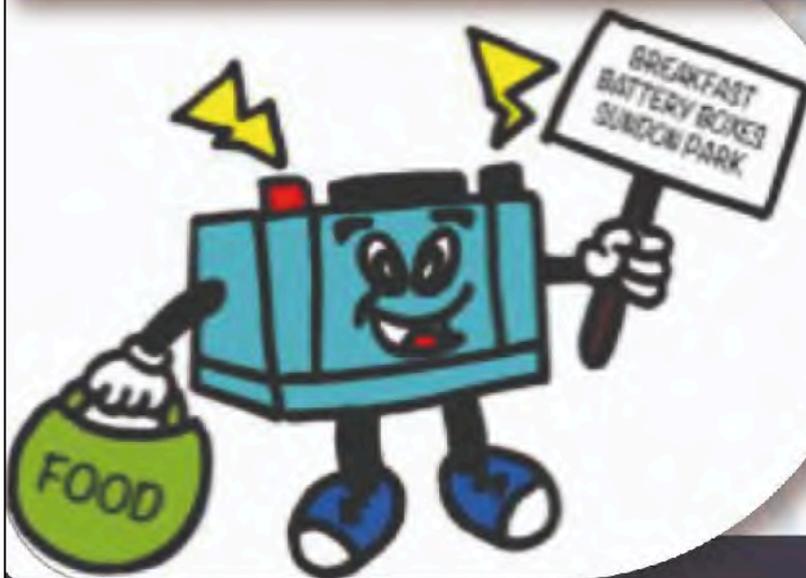
*'You have audited the diversity within your Art and Design curriculum, increasing students' exposure to artists that reflect and celebrate a range of backgrounds.'*

*'It is great that the Arts Award has been implemented for students who have not chosen a GCSE arts subject.'*

*'You have established a link with The Culture Trust Luton and visits to the Hat Factory give students a valuable and authentic insight into creative industry at work.'*



# BREAKFAST BATTERY BOXES



Looking for a healthy,  
hearty breakfast during  
school holidays?



## FEBRUARY 2024 HOLIDAYS COLLECTION DATES:

Monday 19th February 2024 9:30am-11:00am

Tuesday 20th February 2024 9:30am-11:00am

If you need support visit our hub at:  
**Sundon Park Baptist Church, 244 Sundon Park Road  
Luton, LU3 3AL**

## #FIGHTINGHOLIDAYHUNGER

ITEMS WE NEED: Cereal, Long-Life Milk, Bread/Bagels,  
Jam/Spreads, Fruit Juice/Squash, Baked Beans, Eggs, Pancake  
Mix/Flour, Fresh Fruit, Treats.

*Thank you*



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