

# School Update

17<sup>th</sup> May 2017



## On the Radio...

### Dates for your Diary

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May**

Year 1 Joint Class Assembly:  
9.15am

Break-up for Half Term

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June**

Back to School after Half Term

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June**

New Reception (September '17)  
Parents' Open Evening: 6pm

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June**

**School Closed: Polling Day**

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June**

British Week

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June**

PTFA Meeting: 6.30pm, Studio

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June**

Year 3 Joint Class Assembly:  
9.15am

PTFA Father's Day Secrets Room

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June**

Teddy Bears' Picnic

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June**

Year 2 Trip to Blackpool Zoo

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June**

Year 4 Joint Class Assembly:  
9.15am

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June**

**School Closed: Staff Training Day**

**PTFA - Treat Fridays** ✓

Chocolates & Sweets (30p) & Drinks  
(20p) for Sale in the Playgrounds  
After School (weather permitting)

### Useful Information

School telephone number:

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[www.ladybridgeprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.ladybridgeprimaryschool.co.uk)

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Meet our aspiring Year 6 DJs. From top to bottom: Ammaarah, Zara, Zac, Younis and Leon



This week, a group of year six pupils were very excited to meet Tower FM's DJ, Jon Holling. After much deliberation (there was stiff competition) by Mrs Hoolihan, their class teacher, five pupils were selected to record their voices to feature in the radio station's 'Little Lyrics' competition. Our budding DJs took to the microphone with ease, showing great confidence as they recited their lyrics which will be played on Jon's morning radio show's 'guess this song' competition. Ammaarah, Zara, Zac, Younis and Leon have promised to keep the singer and name of their song 'top secret'; this is so they don't spoil the listeners' fun when their 'Little Lyric' is aired during the week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> June! It has been a light relief after their stupendous efforts during their SATs.

*Mr Watson, Headteacher*

*Please see the important notice overleaf regarding term time holidays and their effect on attendance.*



## Attendance Matters

School Attendance Target = 97%

Actual Attendance - For week ending 12/05/17:

**98.29%**

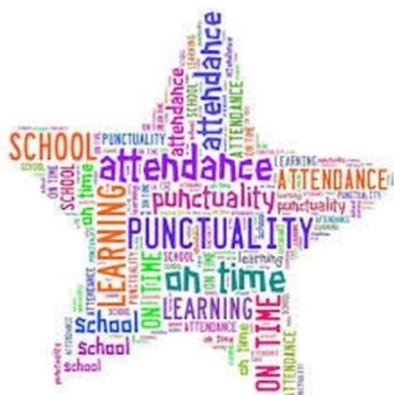
Classes with the best attendance:

5L, 5B and 6B = 100% 😊

Most punctual classes:

Polar Bears (2L), 3L, 3B and 6B = 100% 😊

*Remember Attendance Matters; Be in School All Day, Every Day.*



## Class Focus – 4L

Each week, we focus on work undertaken by a different class. This week, it's the turn of 4L...

In English, we have recently finished reading Michael Murpurgo's, 'Today I Met a Whale'. The children have become incredibly inspired by this book and from this, we have gone on to research and learn more about whales living in captivity. As part of this project, we have looked closely at SeaWorld in Florida and the treatment of the orca whales. After discussing this with the children, they decided that they would like to write a persuasive letter to SeaWorld asking them to release the orcas that they are currently holding in captivity. The children have worked incredibly hard to produce letters which include emotive language, rhetorical questions and commands. Last week, we walked to the post office to send our letters all the way to America; we are currently waiting for a response!



Zaynah and Emmie (4L)  
compiling their letters



**COMING SOON...**

### PTFA Meeting

Our next meeting is on Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> June. Do come along and find out about our fundraising activities. It would be great if you could lend a hand at the Summer Fair on 8<sup>th</sup> July.

### Father's Day Secrets Room

Would you like your child to buy their own presents from our Father's Day Secrets Room for Dad, Uncle, Grandad or another gentleman they care about? The Secrets Room will be open on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June, when your child can come and choose their presents. More details coming home soon...



Congratulations to Disha, Class 5B, who is the winner of the school's 'Design a Front Cover' for the pupils' School Diary 2017-18

### Too Many Term-time Holidays

Although there has been an improvement in overall school attendance this year, we are unlikely to achieve our attendance target of 97%.

#### Why?

39 pupils have been taken out of school for holidays during term time. If this stops, we will achieve 97%.

#### So, What Next?

We have waiting lists for a number of classes throughout school.

If pupils are taken out of school unnecessarily, your child's place will be removed and offered to another child on the waiting list.

### Fidget Spinners

We are continuing to allow fidget spinners to be brought into school, as they encourage communication and fun. However, please ensure that:

*They are only used out of class learning time;*

*children take responsibility for their own spinner;*

*children do not swap or sell them;*

*they are not used inappropriately.*

We will review this on a weekly basis.



Last week, pupils enjoyed the great outdoors in the sunshine; here they are playing dodgeball

### School Closed - 8<sup>th</sup> June

Please note that school is closed to pupils and staff on Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> June due to the General Election Polling Day. Ladybridge Kids Club will be open, so if you need childcare, please phone Stella on 07759 143027. We are sorry for any inconvenience caused, which is beyond our control.

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### Do You Do Your Shopping Online?

If so, please help raise funds for our school - it won't cost you a penny more and is quick and easy to join at:

[www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ladybridgecpbolton/](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ladybridgecpbolton/)

### PARENT VIEW

We would like your thoughts on our school, at any time...

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