



# Lordship Lane Primary Newsletter 8

Friday 21st March 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic few weeks it has been at Lordship Lane! From our exciting Science Week, where children explored the wonders of the universe in the Science Dome and met incredible birds of prey with Birdman, to the inspiring Cambridge University trip for some of our Year 6 pupils—it's been a time full of learning, discovery, and aspiration.

We've also seen brilliant achievements in our Speak Up Competition, Debate Mate event, and the ongoing Art Hub Competition—it's wonderful to see our children developing confidence, creativity, and a love for learning.

Attendance is also on the rise, with more children earning their Hot Streak prizes—a huge well done to everyone working hard to be in school every day! And a reminder about uniform—we've made great progress, but let's keep up high standards by ensuring children wear the correct uniform on non-PE days.

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement—together, we are making Lordship Lane a place where every child can thrive.

Mr Patterson

Headteacher

## Science Week: Birdman

As part of our amazing Science Week, we welcomed a truly spectacular guest—Birdman! He brought along three incredible birds of prey to give our children a close-up, awe-inspiring experience of the animal kingdom.

The children were mesmerized as they met:

🦉 A majestic owl, known for its silent flight and sharp eyesight.

🦅 A swift falcon, one of the fastest birds in the world.

🦅 And the star of the show – a huge eagle, soaring with power and grace!

The children didn't just see these amazing birds—they learned all about their habitats, hunting skills, and incredible adaptations that help them survive in the wild. But the real thrill? Watching them take flight right before their eyes! The gasps of excitement and wide-eyed wonder said it all!

Some lucky children even got to have their picture taken with one of the birds—an unforgettable moment that they'll be talking about for a long time!

A huge thank you to Birdman for bringing science to life in such a thrilling way. We love creating experiences that inspire our children and deepen their understanding of the natural world. Who knows? We may have some future ornithologists (bird scientists) in the making! 🦉🌍🌟





## Science Week: Science Dome

Last week, our school was buzzing with excitement as we celebrated Science Week! One of the absolute highlights was the incredible Science Dome experience that transported our children into the wonders of the universe, the depths of our planet, and the science shaping our world.

This immersive, 360-degree dome brought science to life in the most exciting way! Each year group had a tailor-made experience, sparking curiosity and awe:

🌟 **Year 6** explored the mysteries of Natural Selection and the Origins of Life – unlocking the secrets of evolution and where it all began!

🌌 **Year 5** took a trip beyond the stars with a Space Adventure, discovering planets, galaxies, and the wonders of the cosmos.

🌿 **Year 4** tackled the Climate Crisis, learning how our planet is changing and what we can do to protect it for future generations.

🌍 **Year 3** journeyed Down to Earth, uncovering the hidden forces beneath our feet that shape the land we live on.

The children were completely captivated, asking brilliant questions and walking away with new knowledge and big ideas! Events like these ignite a love for learning, and it was fantastic to see so much enthusiasm across all year groups.

A huge thank you to Science Dome for bringing such an inspiring experience to our school – and of course, to our budding young scientists for their curiosity and excitement! 🎉🔬💡

## Science Week: Science Workshop

Our year 3 and 4 children were amazed by the incredible science show *As If by Magic*, a science show delivered by Dr Andrew Szydlo. The show contained chemicals, fire, explosions and even a violin! Dr Andrew Szydlo travels the country, running the show so that children are exposed to inspirational, scientific experiences that will lead to greater interest in the subject and fuel the imaginations of the scientists of the future!










## **Speak Up! Celebrating Our Young Orators**

As part of our Science Week celebrations, we held our termly Speak Up Competition, where our young speakers wowed us with their knowledge and confidence!

This time, the challenge was to write and deliver a speech about scientists and engineers from across the world—and the children certainly rose to the occasion! They researched brilliantly, memorized key facts, and presented with passion, helping us all learn something new along the way.

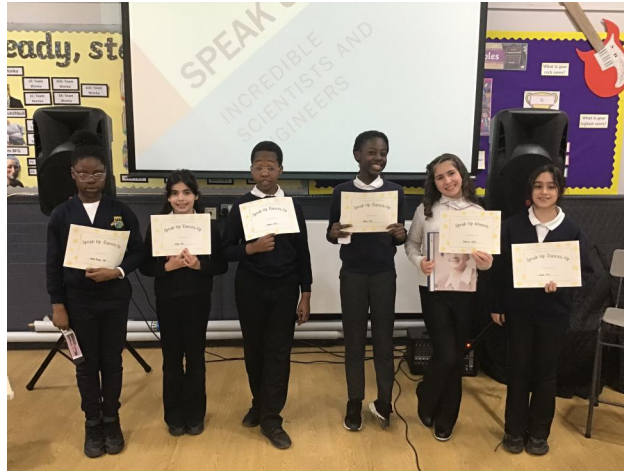
A huge well done to everyone who took part, and a special congratulations to our winners:

 **Year 1 & 2 Winner:** Zoe

 **Year 3 & 4 Winner:** Adonijah

 **Year 5 & 6 Winner:** Daria

👏 Well done to all the children for writing such engaging speeches and runners-up—you should all be very proud of your achievements! We look forward to our final Speak Up Competition in the summer term—so keep practicing those public speaking skills! 🎤🌟










## Year 6 Trip to Cambridge University

Last week, some of our Year 6 children had an incredible opportunity to visit Cambridge University, one of the most prestigious and historic universities in the world!

We were especially fortunate as Lordship Lane was the only primary school given this chance, making it a truly special experience for our pupils. This visit was made possible through our partnership with LAET (London Academy of Excellence Tottenham), and we are so grateful for their support in inspiring our young learners.

During the visit, the children had the chance to:

-  Explore the university's stunning colleges and learn about its rich history.
-  Find out what it's like to study at Cambridge, meeting students and asking questions.
-  Gain insight into higher education, broadening their aspirations for the future.

This was a truly inspirational day, showing our pupils that with hard work, ambition, and perseverance, anything is possible! Who knows? Perhaps we have some future Cambridge students in our midst! 🎓 🌍 ✨



## **Debate Mate Success!**

Last Thursday, our **Debate Mate team** took part in an exciting **debate competition**, going head-to-head with other schools in a series of challenging debates.

Our young debaters showed **confidence, critical thinking, and fantastic teamwork**, making strong arguments and presenting their points with **clarity and passion**. The best part? **Every single child in our Debate Mate group won at least one debate!** 🥳👏

This is a **fantastic achievement**, and we are so proud of their hard work, dedication, and ability to think on their feet. **A huge well done to everyone involved!** We look forward to seeing how our Debate Mate stars continue to shine in future competitions! 🏆🌟

## Year 2 Trip to Paddock Nature Reserve

2A took a trip Paddock Nature Reserve this week as part of their learning on habitats.

The Paddock is situated in Walthamstow Wetlands and is an important ecological site in Haringey for ecology and biodiversity.

Our children experienced, and learned about, the natural environment of the nature reserve including birds, bugs and the young woodland of the wilderness area.













## Year 5 Trip to Gurdwara

Building on their Religion and Worldviews learning, our year 5 children visited the New Southgate Gurdwara. The Gurdwara is a place of worship for Sikhs and our children had a workshop about why it is a special place for Sikhs and how it is an integral part of their community.

A visit to the Gurdwara isn't complete without some food and drink as feeding guests is a central part of Sikhism - in our case this meant juice and biscuits - yummy! 🥤🍪





## Times Tables – Keeping the Momentum Going!

At Lordship Lane Primary School, we remain fully committed to helping our children master their times tables, and we are incredibly proud of the progress they continue to make. Across Key Stage 2, there's a fantastic energy around times tables, with children building speed, confidence, and accuracy—all of which are setting them up for success in maths and beyond.

Times Tables Rockstars continues to be a fantastic tool in this journey, and we encourage all parents to support their children by ensuring they log in for just 10 minutes a day. This small daily habit can make a huge difference in fluency and recall speed.

In school, we are also making great use of the counting stick to help children chant, recall, and memorise their multiplication facts in an engaging and active way. The enthusiasm from pupils has been brilliant, and we want to keep up this momentum!

Parents, you can help at home too! Try testing your child on their times tables at dinner, on the way to school, or during a spare moment in the day. Every bit of practice builds their confidence, and together, we can ensure that times tables remain a real strength at Lordship Lane!



## Young Academies Entrepreneurs

Our **Year 6 pupils** have done an incredible job exploring the exciting world of business through the **Young Entrepreneurs** unit! They have developed a **solid understanding** of how businesses operate, how to create a **business plan**, and what it takes to turn an idea into a **real venture**.

Through engaging and interactive lessons, they have explored:

💡 **What it means to be an entrepreneur**

🎯 **How to develop and adapt business ideas**



🧑 Understanding customers and their needs

💰 Pricing strategies and ways to sell products

It has been **fantastic** to watch their **creativity, problem-solving, and teamwork** flourish. Who knows—this could be the first step in creating future business leaders!



## Art Hub

A reminder that this term's Art Hub Competition is well underway! Our young artists have been busy taking inspiration from the incredible Stephen Wiltshire, creating their own stunning drawings of London landmarks and landscapes in his unique style.

We've already seen some amazing entries, and we can't wait to see even more! If your child hasn't submitted their artwork yet, there's still time!

📅 **Deadline: Friday 28th March**

🏆 **Prizes will be awarded to the winning entry!**

Let's celebrate the beauty of London through art—keep those creative masterpieces coming!





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## COMPETITION!

Can you create your own artwork in the style of Stephen Wiltshire?



Create an artwork based on your favourite London landmark or landscape!

**Submit your entries to your teacher by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March!**

Prizes to be won!







## Attendance Matters – Let's Aim for 95% and Beyond!

We're delighted to see more children than ever earning their Hot Streak prizes for excellent attendance! This is fantastic progress, and we want to keep building on this momentum—well done to everyone making great attendance a habit! 🙌

A special congratulations to this week's Attendance Champions:

🏆 **Years 5 & 6:**

🏆 **Years 3 & 4:**

🏆 **Years 1 & 2:** [Enter Class]

These classes are leading the way—who will take the top spots next time?

### 📈 **Why Attendance Matters**

We're making great strides, but we still need to keep pushing to raise our overall school attendance. Every single day in school matters, and even missing a few days can have a big impact on learning.

Here's a quick reminder of how absences add up:

✅ **100% attendance** = 0 days missed

⚠️ **95% attendance** = Nearly **10 days missed** a year

📖 **90% attendance** = Almost **4 weeks of missed learning**

📉 **80% attendance** = Nearly **8 weeks missed—almost an entire term!**

Let's work together to **get our whole school above 95%!**

### 🙌 **How You Can Help**

- ✅ Send your child to school every day unless they are genuinely too ill to attend.
- ✅ Book appointments outside of school hours whenever possible.
- ✅ Keep up a good morning routine to help your child arrive on time and ready to learn.

We'll continue to share attendance updates in each newsletter—let's see if we can break records next time! 🎯🙌

Thank you for your support in making attendance a top priority at Lordship Lane Primary School!



### Uniform Award – Celebrating Smart Dressing!

We're pleased to see that uniform standards across the school have improved—well done to all the children who are wearing their uniform with pride! 🌟

However, we have noticed that jogging bottoms and trainers on non-PE days are still creeping in for some classes. Please remember that these should only be worn on PE days, and children should be in full school uniform on all other days.

A big congratulations to 3S, last week's winners of the Uniform Award! 🏆👏 Your smart appearance sets a fantastic example for the rest of the school.

💡 **Reminder:** Classes that earn three Uniform Award certificates will enjoy an extra playtime on Friday afternoon—so keep up the great effort!

Thank you for your continued support in making sure our children look and feel their best every day!





What's happening over the next two weeks?



Friday 28th March - Year 5/6 Basketball Competition

Friday 28th March - Nursery Stay and Play

Friday 28th March - PSA Mothers' Day Bake sale

Friday 28th March - Nursery Dental Workshops

Friday 28th March - Tiny Forest tree planting at New Road Park

Tuesday 1st April - Parents' evening

Wednesday 2nd April - Parents' evening

Thursday 3rd April - Rhino Dress up day

Thursday 3rd April - LAET students performing: Our world our sound: Folk Music

Friday 4th April - Last day of term

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