

Parentmail Friday 21st March, 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

A huge thank you to the PTA and all the volunteers for the Cinema Nights this week. The children had a great time watching films and eating popcorn, pizza, chips and watermelon with their friends, many wearing pyjamas and cwtched up on blankets. Really nice events.

In addition, we and the PTA would like to thank Deli Fuego for their VERY generous donations of pizza and chips to both our Cinema Nights. Thank you Deli Fuego!!!

Thank you to Year 1 parents and carers for joining us in school for the Year 1 Sharing Session *Rio de Vida*. It was lovely to welcome so many of you to enjoy learning all about Brazil with your children. Next week we have three Sharing Sessions with Years 4, 6 and 3 – looking forward to welcoming you to these.

Thank you to all of you for joining in Red Nose Day today – there were some amazing Funny Hairdos – some utterly ingenious! Many thanks to Year 5 parents, pupils and staff for the extremely popular charity stalls – so many treats and knick-knacks to buy. An initial count of the money says we've raised over £1084!!!! Thank you, Lakeside families xxx

Finally, a HUGE thank you to the netball coaches and the Year 6 team for taking on the staff in our Comic Relief netball match this afternoon. The whole school came out to watch and cheer the players on. We are delighted to report that the winners were... **YEAR 6!!!!!!** The score was 10:9, so a close result! Well done everyone who took part.

Parent Consultations

The booking system for Parent-Teacher consultations goes live at 10am on Saturday (22nd March). Please find attached information and instructions on how to use the system.

Tae Kwondo

Some pupils enjoyed Tae Kwondo taster sessions this week. The organisation offers free trial lessons at Cardiff High School on Wednesdays:

Children aged 4 - 7 @ 5.30-6.30pm

Children aged 8 – 15 @ 6.30-7.30pm

Over 16s 7.30 – 9pm

There is also a Family Class for all ages on Fridays 6 – 7.30pm.

You can book at www.SWAT-TKD.com

Digital Music Workshops in Easter Break

Please see the attached information about iPad and Garage Band digital music workshops that are available in Chapter over the Easter Break.

The Date Project

Thank you to those of you who have donated to our empty date tins and boxes of gifts for children across the world who are living in conflict, facing starvation, or are seriously ill. As with Christmas

shoe boxes, we fill the tins and boxes with gifts for girls or boys from three age groups: 0 to 3 years, 4 to 8 years, and over 9 years.

Gift ideas include: small toys, hygiene items, pens, pencils, crayons, yoyos, sunglasses, colouring books, puzzles, stationery, T-shirts, socks, children's plasters, jewellery, balloons, cards, and hairbands. (Please do not include foodstuffs and sweets, medicines, or weapon-related toys).

Please send any gifts you wish to donate to school with your child, or drop them into the school office. Many thanks in advance.

Parent Governor applications

We have three vacancies for parent governors at Lakeside. A Parentmail was sent out last week with information and an application form was attached. There are hard copies of the form in the school office if required. The deadline for applications is 12 noon on the 27th March. If we receive more than three applications the decision will go to ballot. Thank you.

Upcoming PTA events

- Wednesday April 2nd – Eid Food Sale after school. Come and celebrate Eid al-Fitr with some delicious snacks and treats.
- Sunday 6th April – PTA Duck Race at Roath Park 9.30am. **The PTA are keen to secure some sponsorship for this popular event. If you can help with this, please contact the PTA on the email above or speak to a PTA committee member. Thank you.**
- Friday 9th May – Spring Fair after school – seeds/plants, books, cakes, and more
Calling all gardening, crafting and DIY-ing family and friends!
We will also be offering interactive games to play (we have Splat the Rat, Ball Run and Hook a Duck, and would love some more). If anyone has any of the hobbies/skills above, we would love your contributions!

Plants and crafts can be brought to school during the week commencing 6th May. Please can DIY/makers contact the PTA on lakesideprimarycardiffpta@gmail.com so that we can coordinate. Thank you!

- There will also be Cake Sales dotted across the term and a parents/carers event.

Sharing Sessions dates: Spring 2025

Below are the dates for our parent/carer sharing sessions which will take place in the large school hall during March and into early April.

Nursery	Easter Bonnet parades Tuesday 8 th April 10.45am & 2.30pm
Reception	Thursday 6 th March 9.15am
Year 1	Thursday 20 th March 9.15am
Year 2	Wednesday 2 nd April 9.15am
Year 3	Thursday 27 th March 9.15am
Year 4	Tuesday 25 th March 9.15am
Year 5	Thursday 3 rd April 9.15am
Year 6	Wednesday 26 th March 9.15am

Wishing you a pleasant weekend.

Best wishes,
Rachel Mitchell

Upcoming events / Term dates

March 2025

Tuesday 25th March – Year 4 Sharing Session
Wednesday 26th March – Year 6 Sharing Session
Thursday 27th March – Year 3 Sharing Session
Thursday 27th March – Year 5 Young Lifesavers session for 5B pupils: session 3 of 5
Sunday 30th March/Monday 31st March – Eid ul Fitr
Monday 31st March – Year 3 Swimming – two weeks at Cardiff Met

April 2025

Wednesday 2nd April – Year 2 Sharing Session
Wednesday 2nd April – Eid food Sale – after school
Thursday 3rd April – Year 5 Sharing Session
Thursday 3rd April – Year 5 Young Lifesavers session for 5B pupils: session 4 of 5
Sunday 6th April – PTA Duck Race
w/c Monday 7th April – Parent Consultations this week
Tuesday 8th April – Easter Bonnet parades
Thursday 10th April – Year 5 Young Lifesavers session for 5B pupils: final session
Friday 11th April – break up for Easter
Monday 28th April – back to school
Wednesday 30th April – Reception visit to Barry Island

May 2025

Thursday 8th May – Year 1 visit to Mountain View Ranch
Friday 9th May – Spring Fair in lower playground (after school)
Friday 23rd May – break up for Half Term

June 2025

Monday 2nd June – INSET DAY
Tuesday 3rd June – back to school for pupils
Wednesday 4th June – Reception visit to Cefn Mably Farm
Tuesday 10th June – Year 4 visit to Bristol Aquarium
Wednesday 18th June – Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Sports Day – National Indoor Athletic Centre, Cardiff Met University – morning

July 2025

Wednesday 9th July – Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 Sports Day – National Indoor Athletic Centre, Cardiff Met University – morning
Thursday 17th July – last day for pupils – break up for summer
Friday 18th July – INSET DAY
Monday 21st July – INSET DAY

Term dates

2024-2025 Academic year

Spring Term 2025

Back to school	Tuesday 7 th January		
Break up for Spring Half Term break	Friday 21 st February		
HALF TERM BREAK	Monday 24 th February	Friday 28 th February	
Back to school	Monday 3 rd March		
Break up for Easter break	Friday 11 th April		
EASTER BREAK	Monday 14 th April	Friday 25 th April	

Summer Term 2025

Back to school	Monday 28 th April		
BANK HOLIDAY	Monday 5 th May		
Break up for Half Term break	Friday 23 rd May		
HALF TERM BREAK	Monday 26 th May	Friday 30 th May	
INSET DAY	Monday 2 nd June		
Return to school	Tuesday 3 rd June		
Break up for Summer	Thursday 17 th July		
INSET DAY	Friday 18 th July		
INSET DAY	Monday 21 st July		