



## Message from the Headteacher

Dear All

In my third week at Larkrise I attended my first Golden Assembly, heard the Larkrise song and learnt the special celebration clap.

The children and staff have been amazing at supporting me to learn how we celebrate at Larkrise!

I have asked the teachers to think of who will be in Golden Assembly and send invites on the Friday before the following Golden Assembly. I hope this will give those parents/carers who work, time to organise time to come and see their child receive an award.

Next week we are also carrying out our Pupil Progress meetings with teachers. This is where we meet to look at the progress the children are making towards their academic goals. In these meetings we plan support that is needed with any barriers to children's learning.



In our circles groups we are still working with the children on our new Mission-Vision-Values. Don't forget you have until Monday 27th January to give your thoughts on the future of Larkrise on our survey. If you have yet to complete this please follow this [link](#).

It would be great to get as many of you as possible involved in this as you are a key element of our school community.

Kind regards

Jon Gray (Headteacher)



### Saturday 25th January

**Chinese New Year**

### Monday 27th January

8am	Breakfast Club
am	PAT Dog Sessions
<b>12pm</b>	<b>Lower School Choir</b>
3.10pm-3.45pm	Bug Club
3.10pm-4.10pm	Girl's Football &, Sign Language Clubs
3.10pm-6pm	After School Childcare

### Tuesday 28th January

8am	Breakfast Club
am	Barn Owls (Yr4) Swimming
pm	Yr5 & 6 Maths Challenge Group
9 - 11am	ESOL
3.10pm-4.10pm	Code, Cross Country, Fitness & Puzzle Clubs
3.10pm-6pm	After School Childcare

### Wednesday 29th January

8am	Breakfast Club
am	PAT Dog Sessions
<b>1pm</b>	<b>Upper School Choir</b>
3.10pm-4.10pm	Athletics, Debate, IT, Team Green & Ukulele Clubs
3.10pm-6pm	After School Childcare

### Thursday 30th January

8am	Breakfast Club
am	PAT Dog Sessions
3.10pm-4.10pm	Art, Homework & Samba Clubs
3.10pm-6pm	After School Childcare

### Friday 31st January

8am	Breakfast Club
<b>9am</b>	<b>Golden Celebration Assembly (Upper School)*</b>
am	PAT Dog Session
<b>2.30pm</b>	<b>Golden Celebration Assembly (Lower School)*</b>
3.10pm-4.10pm	Musical Movement & Boy's Football Clubs
3.10pm-6pm	After School Childcare

**Key for Dates Events in bold are new for the week** \*Parent/Carers invited to attend \*\*Parents/Carers & Grandparents Invited to Attend \*\*\*Open to the General Public

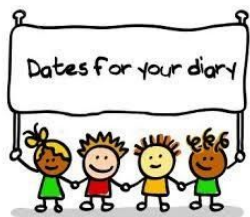
## Philosophy for Families



*"Could a baby be rich"*

## Contact Details

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Friday 14th February	End of Spring 1
Monday 24th February	Start of Spring 2
Friday 3rd April	End of Spring 2
Mon 20th April	Start of Summer 1
Friday 8th May	School Closed May Bank Holiday (75th anniversary of VE Day)
Friday 22nd May	End of Summer 1
Monday 1st June	Start of Summer 1
Friday 3rd July	School Closed for National Teacher Learning Day
Tuesday 21st July	End of Summer 2



Overall attendance for this week is **97.4%**

**Highest upper school class is Peacock with 99.3%**

**Highest lower school class is Parrot with 99.3%**

Well done to Peacocks and Parrots.



**FREE ADULT LEARNING ESOL CLASSES** to begin on Tuesday 28th January at 9am - 11am. Parents/Carers please speak to your child's class teacher about this.

### SAVE THE DATE!



**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

7.30pm in the School Hall

**£10** per person (includes curry and quiz entry)

**Everyone Welcome!**

Teams of **6-8** (max). You can also form a team on the night.

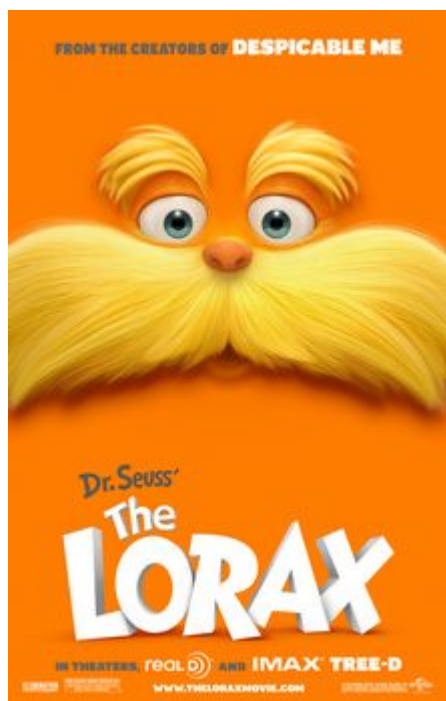
Delicious **veggie curry** courtesy of the fabulous **Waste2Taste** and **meat curry** provided by a generous, foodie parent! 😊

All proceeds to **Friends of Larkrise**, raising funds for our school



**Happy Chinese New Year to all our families who will be celebrating this at the weekend.**





### Film Night

£1 donation for Friends of Larkrise

Snacks will also be for sale

Friday 7th February

Doors open at 4.15pm  
Film starts at 4.30pm and finishes at 6pm



### The Return of Larkrise Choir!

We have moved the choir to be a lunchtime club with the aim of it being more inclusive and allowing more children to come along and try it out before committing to a whole term or big performance. Singing is good for you and should be fun!

This also means there is no cost to join choir. The only exception to this is if your child would like to participate in any out-of-school performances. For example, we have all begun learning some songs which are for a Singing Festival with other Oxfordshire Schools on Friday 13th March - details to follow,

If your child does not want to take part in the performance, there is no obligation to do so - they can simply come along to rehearsals to sing each week and just perform in school events (again, if they want to!).

At the moment, we plan to have Lower School (Y1/2/3) rehearsals on Monday lunchtimes at 12pm and Upper School (Y4/5/6) rehearsals on Wednesday lunchtimes at 1pm. Messages will go out to remind children within the school day.

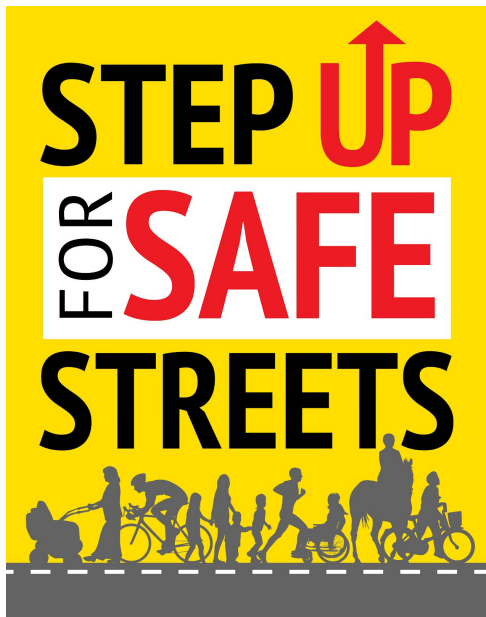
(Occasionally these dates will change because of unavoidable clashes...the great thing is that we can reschedule to another lunchtime instead!)

All children sing every week in singing assemblies with Mr Finch and Ms Scott as well as any singing they do in classes.

Thanks

Morag Scott





Next week the school is meeting representatives from Oxford City Council as part of the Safe Streets campaign.

Both parents/carers and the school are becoming increasingly concerned about the congestion caused by cars at drop off and pick up times. There have been a number of near misses reported of children nearly being hit by a vehicle.

As a school we are actively looking at a solution that will support this time of day to be safer for all.

In the meantime if you are using a car. Please consider the following.

- Switch off your engine when waiting.
- Park considerately for the residents in the local area. Leaving driveway entrances clear.
- Park away from the school and walk the last part of the journey.
- Consider Walk, cycle or scoot to school. instead.
- For those coming from a distance - use a bus or carshare.

## Nursery School Admissions

### Important News Regarding Nursery Places

We are now opening admissions for April 2020 and September 2020.

If your child turns three from 1st January 2020 or from 1st April 2020 please contact the office to make an application via [parents@larkriseprimary.org](mailto:parents@larkriseprimary.org)

We also offer 30 hours per week placements for families who qualify for government funding.

**Register Now to Avoid Disappointment**  
**Please note we are seeing an increased demand for our Nursery and sessions are filling up fast**



IF YOU HAVE ANY COMMUNITY NOTICES THAT YOU WOULD LIKE OUR FAMILIES TO SEE PLEASE EMAIL THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

[office@larkriseprimary.org](mailto:office@larkriseprimary.org) (Put Newsletter in the email title).

The deadline is Wednesday for the Friday Newsletter.

