



# NEWSLETTER

DATE 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

## UP COMING DATES

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May** - Break up for half term

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June** - Return to the academy

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July** - Academy closes for summer

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July** - INSET DAY

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July** - INSET DAY

Please see the academy's website for all the upcoming term dates and closures, including next academic year.

<https://www.lofthousegate.outwood.com/term-dates-and-closures>

As our final half term approaches, we would like to wish you all a lovely half term break 😊

## Class Texts for Summer 2

Across our primary academies, each half term, Y1-Y6 will have a focus text to read alongside a range of other fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts. We would like to encourage you to ask your child about the text during Summer 2 and help to promote a love for reading.

Y1: The Tin Forest

Y2: Traction Man is Here!

Y3: The Astounding Broccoli Boy

Y4: How to Train Your Dragon

Y5: The Many Worlds of Albie Bright

Y6: A Monster Calls

Nursery and EYFS: look out for your top 5 books on your separate newsletters!



## Sponsored Read

We are excited to team up with Usborne for our sponsored read event – Ready, Steady, Read! The sponsored read will run from Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May - Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June and any sponsorship money is to be handed in on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June. We cannot wait to see our children sharing their love for books, how much we raise and which books the children choose to get for Lofthouse Gate!



## Renewi and X Martial Arts

We were very fortunate that both Renewi and X Martial Arts joined us for recycling workshops and sessions including making a wormery and a martial arts taster session! The focus for the martial arts session were to show respect, discipline and have fun!



## Reminder

Where possible, appointments should be made outside of school hours, if you need to collect your child early for an appointment please notify us in advance and bring an appointment text, email, card or letter when you collect your child.

## Mental Health and Wellbeing

This month, was Mental Health Awareness Week. Our Mental Health and Wellbeing Champions hosted an assembly. They spoke with passion about this year's theme of anxiety, sharing tips and techniques alongside the book 'Ruby's Worry' by Tom Percival.



They are very excited to run their own mental wellbeing after school interest club next half term (watch this space!) and continue to work together to support our children with their emotions and wellbeing.

There is a wealth of information on our website regarding mental health and wellbeing support and information, alongside information in main school entrance. Please do not hesitate to ask a member of staff for further advice and support.

<https://www.lofthousegate.outwood.com/mental-wellbeing>

<https://www.lofthousegate.outwood.com/useful-links>



## Year 6

We wanted to give our Year 6 children a shout out as they have completed their statutory SATs papers this month. Their resilience and confidence have been exemplary and we are so proud of each and every one of them! They are currently taking part in a £1 challenge to raise money towards their end of year celebrations – watch this space!