

NEWSLETTER

DATE 31st March 2022

UP COMING DATES

Friday 8th April - Academy closes for half term

Monday 25th April - Academy re opens for Summer 1

Monday 2nd May - Bank holiday

Friday 27th April - Academy closes for half term

Monday 6th May - Academy re opens for Summer 2

Please see our website for this year's term dates and INSET days:

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

Class Texts for Summer 1

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 1 and help to promote a love for reading.

Y1 - Do Not Bring Your Dragon to the Library

Y2 - Leon and the Place Between

Y3 - Stitch Head

Y4 - Brightstorm

Y5 - Holes

Y6 - The Girl of Ink & Stars

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



World Book Day

What a fantastic week we had celebrating our love of books! The week was filled with dressing up as a character, creating our poems for the OPA Anthology, reading with different years groups, guess the book, the masked reader and much more! We also LOVED all the book spoon entries. Congratulations to our winners!



British Science Week

We had an exciting, jam-packed week to celebrate British Science Week this month! We were lucky enough to have both Dr Fascione and Dr Parkin in the academy talking about their careers in Science. Virtually, the children met a computer scientist and joined a live session about sending a rocket to Mars, coding instructions for a robot and finding out about how to survive in space. Across the academy experiments and investigations took place, with collaborating happening across year groups. The children created some fabulous presentations that Mrs Jagger is looking forward to judging in our Science Fair next half term.



Academy Council

We wanted to introduce you to our new academy council members.



Mr Berry



Mr Meachin



Mrs Jackson



Mrs Johnson

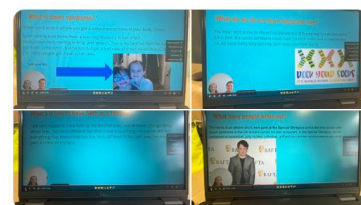
If you want have any questions, suggestions or queries, please email our Chair, Rob Wood, at r.wood@lofthousegate.outwood.com

Comic Relief and World Down Syndrome Day

Thank you to everybody who joined us with wacky hair on Red Nose Day and donated to Comic Relief. Your creativity always amazes me and makes me smile! We raised £118 – well done Lofthouse Family.



Emily, who is one of our Mental Health and Wellbeing Champions, shared with the whole academy the reason for celebrating World Down Syndrome Day and how special her brother Seth is to her. Thank you to everybody who wore odd socks to show their support.



'Tea and Talk' Morning

The letter for our 'Tea and Talk' morning has been emailed out. It will be the morning of Thursday 28th April in the hall from 9-11.15am. You are welcome to drop in or stay for the full session. It's a chance for you to chat to other parents/carers over a brew.

We are very lucky to have secured some guest speakers from Papyrus, Andy's Man Club and Wakefield CAMHS.

Please either return the slip on the letter or email enquiries to confirm your attendance. Thank you to those who have already replied and secured a place.

As always, the team is here to help.

We have information on our website if you require external services or support:

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

We have also put a list together of local and national support:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Jx0Nt1PgPKjbX9sB_JXjYbOZq9q9bQVfnnv_4u7B7QIY/edit

