



Newsletter

Head Teacher Message

As I am sure you are aware we had our full OFSTED inspection on March 12th and 13th. The inspection was a great success and clearly highlighted the great progress that the Academy has made since joining LEAD Academy Trust in June 2016. I was extremely proud of the report and especially pleased with the fact that everybody associated with the Academy was mentioned in a very positive light. This showed that it was a team effort and that we all contributed to such a fantastic outcome. What this report does show is that our Academy is clearly on a pathway to an outstanding status. What we have achieved in under 3 years is simply amazing and I hope that all the parents and carers are as proud as we are!

Can I take this opportunity to thank you all for your support since I arrived at Uplands and long may it continue!!!

Dates for your Diary

- May 6th** Bank Holiday. School closed
- May 9th/16th/23rd** Y5 TAG Rugby sessions
- May 13th** SATs week for Y6
- May 21st** Judo taster sessions

In the last Month...Key Ofsted Findings

- The Headteacher has wasted no time in bringing about major improvements to all aspects of the school. He is uncompromising in his determination to raise standards.
- The school has a culture of success and positivity. Teachers know what is expected of them, and they support leaders' determination to ensure that all pupils have the best education.
- The school is a harmonious, multi-faith community. Pupils have a very good understanding of British values.
- Teachers' subject knowledge is good. They plan work that is well matched to the differing needs of pupils.
- Parents have positive views about the school and its leadership. Parents feel that leaders and teachers listen and take note of their thoughts and opinions.
- Pupils leave Year 6 well prepared for secondary school. Their progress is good and their attainment slightly above that of other pupils of the same age nationally.
- Pupils are well-behaved. The very rare instances of bullying are dealt with effectively and quickly by their teachers.

British Values

29th April – 5th May

Respect

Buildings and places can hold huge importance for people. They can be part of who we are, hold special memories and be part of our shared culture.

Important Notices

- Please make sure your children arrive for the start of the school day on time. The school opens from 8.30 and registration begins at 8.50. We also run a free breakfast club which starts at 8.00.
- Y6 SATS week begins on May 13th. Y6 will be sending out a very important letter with some tips on how to support you child during SATs week.
- The school's Safeguarding Team have just delivered an assembly on staying safe on the internet. The key messages were not to open emails that you are unsure about, never agree to meet anybody online and always tell an adult if you are uncomfortable with anything to do with the internet.

Attendance Figures for 2018

Year 3 are the attendance champions for April 2019. Well done Y3! **Overall attendance for the school currently stands at 96.4%**

Year 3 – 95.92%

Year 4 – 94.61%

Year 5 – 95.84%

Year 6 – 95.31%



We value **your voice** and would like you to join us on our journey of improvement.

Preventing Knife Crime Assembly

PC Barlow came to visit the Academy to talk to our pupils about the dangers of knife crime. As we all know this is a growing concern for all of us and recently Leicester City has been allocated funding from the Government to help tackle the problem. PC Barlow outlined both the dangers and the consequences of such crimes and it proved to be very insightful for our pupils. Hopefully the assembly will have a lasting impression on the children.

