

NEWSLETTER

ASPIRE - ACHIEVE - THRIVE - ENJOY

27th March

Dear Families

Parents' evening

These will be held in the first week back after the holiday on **Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th April**. To book your child's 10-minute face to face parent evening appointment, please visit:

<https://greatlinford.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Rescheduled Colour Run

The Colour Run has been rescheduled to 1st May! We will reopen Gateway for more ticket sales nearer the time.

Hot dinners

Please check you have booked dinners for the first week back. We often find after we return from a holiday that parents have forgotten to book. Please make sure you do this

Don't forget – there is no training day so children return to school on Monday 13th April.

Thank you for your support this term. Wishing you all a fantastic Easter break

Mrs Dixon.



Your weekly reminder that we are a nut free school

Thank you for your continued support with this matter ensuring our children who have this life-threatening allergy stay safe.



Our attendance so far this year is **94.8%**. Attendance this week was **96.3%**

Well done to **3MY** who had the highest attendance this week with **99.3%** attendance!

Diary dates

Dates were given out for the year in the first newsletter. Going forwards, I will include dates here for the current term as a reminder. **Any new dates which were not shared previously will appear in red.**

13 th April		Children return to school
14 th April	3:30 – 4:14pm	Final Year 6 tuition session after school for those that have been attending
14 th April		<u>NO</u> Phonic tuition session after school this week for those that have been attending
15 th April	3.30 – 6.00pm	Parents Evening <i>Booking information will be sent out prior to this</i>

16 th April	3.30 – 7.00pm	Parents Evening <i>Booking information will be sent out prior to this</i>
21 st April	3:30pm	Keyboard Recital – children who have keyboard lessons in school to perform after school. Please come to the office.
24 th April		GLPS Maths Day <i>Children are invited to dress up as a number or in maths themed clothing</i>
28 th April	3:30 – 4:14pm	Final Phonic tuition session after school for those that have been attending
28 th April	3:30pm	Guitar Recital – children who have guitar lessons in school to perform after school. Please come to the office.
1 st May	4:00pm	PTA Colour Run
4 th May		Bank Holiday – School closed
w/c 11 th May		Year 6 SATs week
11 th May		Home learning due in
20 th May	2:30pm	Home learning winner's gallery in the hall
21 st May		Year 6 Orchestra Unwrapped Trip
22 nd May		Last day of term



This week's Aspire winners



Caterpillars			
1TP	Frankie	1RC	Lincoln
2PK	Lulu	2LD	Phoebe
3MY	Kacey	3JC	Fidel and James
4AJ	Amira and Rory	4MH	Violet H and Adeena
5SS	Charlie	5GF	Dioni
6LG	Harlan and Reuben	6AS	Ellis
Mr Jenkins	Chloe M (Y5)	Wraparound	
Miss Guy KS1	Camilla (Y2)	Miss Guy KS2	William (Y3)

Aspire Tea

Mrs Dixon KS2 children this week who were awarded the Aspire award last week. Unfortunately, during the KS1 Aspire assembly Mrs Dixon had a safeguarding meeting that could not be rescheduled. She will catch up with EYFS and KS1 Aspire winners after the holidays – they haven't been forgotten!






House Points

Bronze Award
For achieving 100 House Points



**Buraq
(Year 1)**



ASPIRE
Respect all - Overcome challenges - Open our minds - Take care - Speak kindly

Silver Award
For achieving 200 House Points



Year 1
**Amelia
Inaaya**

Year 3
**Finlee
Isaac**

Year 5
**Abdullah
Elia-Grace**

Year 6
Eliza

Year 4
**Cayson Priella
Harvey Violet B
Violet H**



ASPIRE
Respect all - Overcome challenges - Open our minds - Take care - Speak kindly

Gold Award
For achieving 300 House Points



CONGRATULATIONS

Year 3
William

Year 4
**Freddie
Fortune
Florence**

Year 6
**Elizaveta
George**

Year 5
Airen



ASPIRE
Respect all - Overcome challenges - Open our minds - Take care - Speak kindly

House Point Badge
For achieving 400 House Points



CONGRATULATIONS



ASPIRE
Respect all - Overcome challenges - Open our minds - Take care - Speak kindly

Term 4 Great Linford's Great Writing Awards



Caterpillars	Luca		
1TP	Maaz	1RC	Alexandru
2PK	Annabelle	2LD	Harry
3MY	Joseph	3JC	Lillith
4AJ	Hayden	4MH	Aya
5SS	William	5GF	Alex
6LG	Ariana	6AS	Natalia

Term 4 Reading Golden Ticket Winners



Children earn golden tickets by reading five times a week at home. These were the winners drawn from all of the golden tickets earned in each class this term

3MY	3JC	4AJ	4MH	5GF	5SS	6AS	6LG
Amara	Isla	Louis Flavia	Zahar	Chloe- Anne	Husna	Elizaveta	Frank



3MY	3JC	4AJ	4MH	5GF	5SS	6AS	6LG
Amelia Joseph Darcy	William Brody	Hayden Florianne	Aya Priella		Kamille	Ellis Ibraheem	Louisa

Spellingframe

Spelling Frame Winners!

With an astounding
2144 points!



Rocksteady

Well done to all the children who took part in the Easter Rocksteady concert!! All of their hard work over these last two terms really showed as they wowed us with their band performances.



**ROCK
STEADY**

ROCK AND POP BAND LESSONS!



IGNITE THEIR INNER SPARK!

- 🎵 Children learn to play an instrument in their very own band.
- 🎸 Fun and inclusive in-school band lessons. No music theory involved.
- 🎧 Follow their musical journey in your Backstage account.
- 🎓 Exam-free, Ofqual-regulated Trinity music qualification.
- 🎸 Instruments provided and no experience necessary.

**BOOK TO START
LESSONS IN JANUARY!**



0330 113 0330 (Mon-Thurs 8am-6pm, Fri 8am-6pm, local rate)

rocksteadymusicschool.com

GREAT LINFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

We had fun at the Easter Disco!





Smart Raspberry term 5 booking is live

<https://portal.smartraspberry.franscape.io/class-overview/1186>

SmartR  **aspberry**
cookery school

AFTER SCHOOL COOKING CLUB

Our Cookery Club is a fantastic opportunity for your child to come and learn the skills involved in cooking, to experiment with different ingredients and most importantly to enjoy food! We make a wide variety of savoury and sweet dishes, some of which are ready to eat and some of which simply need to be cooked or heated at home. All ingredients, cooking equipment, use of aprons and packaging, plus a laminated recipe card to keep each week are included. Available for children in Years 1-6



THIS TERMS RECIPES

Vegetable Empanadas, Oaty Apple Biscuits, Mexican Sala
Fruity Soda Bread, Red Pepper and Ricotta Puffs, and
Banoffee Pie.

Great Linford Primary School
3:30 pm-4:30 pm
Please visit our website to book or
email:
asmaawan@smartraspberry.com

Website :
www.smartraspberry.com
07999118098.

Support the GLPS PTA

If you're interested in getting more involved, simply follow the QR code to join our volunteer group – we are always grateful for extra helping hands.



<https://linktr.ee/glpspta>

After School Clubs – Summer Term 1 (Monday 13th April – Friday 22nd May 2026)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
GLPS	EYFS to Yr2 Music Makers with Miss Creed £0 for 5 weeks 3:15pm - 4:15pm 13 th April – 18 th May 2026 (excluding Bank Holiday) Max 20 Book via School Gateway Although this is a free club your child/ren still need to book in advance	EYFS to Yr6 Gymnastics with Miss Guy £25.50 for 6 weeks 3:15pm-4:15pm 14 th April – 19 th May Max 30 Book via School Gateway		Yr2 to Yr6 Ball Games (Rounders / Cricket / Tennis with Miss Guy £17.00 for 4 weeks 3:15pm-4:15pm 30 th April – 21 st May Max 30 Book via School Gateway This has a delayed start due to fixtures/competitions scheduled for 1 st two weeks.	Yr2 to Yr6 Basketball / Dodgeball with Miss Guy £25.50 for 6 weeks 3:15pm-4:15pm 17 th April – 22 nd May Max 30 Book via School Gateway This will be a combined club which will have sessions on alternating weeks
EXTERNAL	Yr1 to Yr6 Smart Raspberry Cooking £46.00 for 5 weeks 3.15pm - 4.15pm 13 th April - 18 th May 2026 (excluding Bank Holiday) Max 12 Book via: https://portal.smartraspberryy.franscape.io/class-overview/1186		EYFS to Yr3 Football with Let's Kick it £7 per session or multiple session block bookings available 15 th April – 20 th May Book via: https://eequ.org/letskickitgreatlinford	Yr3 to Yr6 Football with Let's Kick it £7 per session or multiple session block bookings available 16 th April – 21 st May Book via: https://eequ.org/letskickitgreatlinford	
GLPS	'ENJOY' After School Club, Monday to Friday (term time only) Available from 3:15pm to 6.00pm Bookings can be made in three slots: Slot 1: 3.15pm to 4.15pm (1 hour) Slot 2: 3.15pm to 5.15pm (2 hours) Slot 3: 3.15pm to 6.00pm (2 hours 45 minutes) PLEASE NOTE: All bookings, along with all payments, MUST be made online, via School Gateway, before 2.45pm. Full details, terms and conditions, can be found on the school website here: 'ENJOY' After School Club				

Booking links:

<https://portal.smartraspberryy.franscape.io/class-overview/1186>

<https://eequ.org/letskickitgreatinfo>

Coming soon – We will be holding a mini marathon event!



Mr Jenkins and Miss Guy are registering us for the mini marathon. The event involves running/walking/jogging 2 miles. This will take place during the school day – more information to follow when a date has been confirmed.

Online Safety

Top Tips for...

MANAGING SCREEN TIME

According to the latest stats, people aged between 8 and 17 spend four hours on digital devices during an average day. Obviously, a new year is ideal for fresh starts and renewed efforts – so lots of families are trying to cut down their combined screen time right now, creating more moments to connect with each other and relying less on gadgets to have fun. Our top tips on reducing screen time are for everyone, so you can get your whole family involved in turning over a new leaf this year!

GET OUT AND ABOUT

If the weather's decent, spend some time in the garden or go for a walk. Even a stroll to the local shop would do: the main thing is getting some fresh air and a break from your screen.

TRY A TIMED TRIAL

When you're taking a screen break to do a different activity or a chore, turn it into a game by setting yourself a timer. Can you complete your task before the alarm goes off?

GO DIGITAL DETOX

Challenge yourself and your family to take time off from screens, finding other things to do. You could start off with half a day, then build up to a full day or even an entire weekend.

LEAD BY EXAMPLE

Let your family see you successfully managing your own screen time. You'll be showing them the way, and it might stop some of those grumbles when you do want to go online.

AGREE TECH-FREE ZONES

Nominate some spots at home where devices aren't allowed. Anywhere your family gathers together, like at the table or in the living room, could become a 'no phone zone'.

HOLD A SCREEN TIME AMNESTY

As a family, agree specific windows when it's OK to use devices. This should help everyone to balance time on phones or gaming with enjoying quality moments together.

BE MINDFUL OF TIME

Stay aware of how long you've been on your device for. Controlling how much time you spend in potentially stressful areas of the internet – like social media platforms – can also boost your wellbeing.

'PARK' PHONES OVERNIGHT

Set up an overnight charging station for everyone's devices – preferably away from bedrooms. That means less temptation for late-night scrolling.

SWITCH ON DND

Research shows that micro-distractions like message alerts and push notifications can chip away at our concentration levels. Put devices on 'do not disturb' until you're less busy.

TAKE A FAMILY TECH BREAK

Set aside certain times when the whole family puts their gadgets away and enjoys an activity together: playing a board game, going for a walk or just having a chat.

SOCIALISE WITHOUT SCREENS

When you're with friends, try not to automatically involve phones, TVs or other tech. Having company can be loads more fun if your attention isn't being split.

WIND DOWN PROPERLY

Try staying off phones, consoles, tablets and so on just before you go to sleep. Reading or just getting comfy in bed for a while can give you a much more restful night.

Meet Our Expert

Edna Avedis is an award-winning author of the UK's only specialist programme to mental health and wellbeing. They also provide training and support to education organisations and local authorities – empowering school leaders and staff with the knowledge and tools to shape their settings into inclusive communities where the mental health of pupils and personnel is protected.



DEVICE BOX

The National College



National Online Safety

#WakeUpWednesday



Watch **#MKDons** train at Stadium MK on Monday! 📺 14

The Dons will take part in an Open Training Session from 11:30am-1:30pm, with turnstiles at Gate 1 opening from 11am 🕒

Entry for this session, which falls during the Easter Holidays for schools in Milton Keynes, is completely FREE 😊

You must have a ticket to attend. Claim yours [here](#)



Holiday Camp Adventure Days

Adventure-packed holiday days at The Caldecotte Xperience

<https://www.action4youth.org/holiday-adventure-days/>

SEND HAF CALDECOTTE EASTER CLUB 2026

Activities on land and water for youth groups



Mentored by **ACTION4YOUTH**
Inspiring young people

Collection links



📍 366 Action4Youth Caldecotte Xperience, Milton Keynes

👤 Ages: 8 - 16

💰 SEND free HAF ticket **Free**

📅 Next date: **Tuesday 7th Apr, 09:00 – 13:00**

🏠 Funded by **Milton Keynes City Council HAF**

👉 Universal provision with SEND support

[VIEW ALL AVAILABLE DATES](#)



<https://eeu.org/book/send-haf-caldecotte-easter-club-2026-with-action4youth-7587>

Milton Keynes Libraries

Create your perfect playground out of recycled resources with the Parks Trust Wetland Arc Project Workshop: Junior Playground Architects. It's free, at Stony Stratford Library on Tuesday 7 April 10am. Read more about it and book online at:

www.theparkstrust.com/wetlandarc

The image is a promotional graphic for a workshop. The top half shows a photograph of a modern playground with a wooden tower, a slide, and a suspension bridge, with several children playing. The bottom half is a dark blue banner with white text. On the right side of the banner is a circular inset photo showing children sitting at a table, focused on a project. The Parks Trust logo is in the top right corner of the image area.

The Parks Trust
MILTON KEYNES

*Workshop: Junior
Playground Architects*

Tue 7 Apr | 10-11.30am
Stony Stratford Library

We're continuing our regular GAMES CLUBS at Newport Pagnell Library and have added in some extra Holiday Clubs for the Easter break! We do hope you'll find time to come visit for one of our sessions. All ages are welcome.



GAMES CLUBS
at Newport Pagnell Library
over the Easter break

Friday 27 March - 2.30-4.30pm
Tuesday 31 March - 11am-12pm
Tuesday 7 April - 11am-12pm
Friday 10 April - 2.30-4.30pm

 Milton Keynes
City Council

Add your name to the list for Code Club sessions Mondays 4-5pm at Central Library. We're part of the [#CodeClubUK](#) programme and aim to help the next generation get excited about computers through coding, game playing, animations and website.

Ages 9-13. www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/code-club



Don't forget that our regular weekly [#Lego](#) Clubs continue at all [#libraries](#) over the Easter break. Sessions are FREE and everyone is welcome. www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/library-events

LEGO & DUPLO CLUBS



TUESDAY: 4-5 at Central Library
3.30-4.30 at Wolverton Library

WEDNESDAY: 3.30-4.30 at Newport Pagnell Library

THURSDAY: 3.30-4.30 at Bletchley Library
3.30-4.30 at Westcroft Library

FRIDAY: 3.30-4.30 at Stony Stratford Library
3.30-4.30 at Kingston Library
3.30-4.30 at Olney Library
3.30-4.30 at Woburn Sands Library

SATURDAY: 10-12 at Central Library
11-12 at Newport Pagnell Library
11-12 at Stony Stratford Library
10.30-11.30 at Olney Library
(first Saturday each month)



www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/library-events

News from Rainbow Family Centre Facebook page

Rainbow Family Centre Easter Holidays 2026

We welcome families who live in Bancroft, Bancroft Park, Blue Bridge, Bolbeck Park, Bradville, Downhead Park, Great Linford, Linford Wood, Neath Hill, New Bradwell, Oakridge Park, Pennyland, Stantonbury, Old Wolverton, Wolverton Mill and Wolverton

Monday 30 th March	Tuesday 31 st March	Wednesday 1 st April	Thursday 2 nd April	Friday 3 rd April
<p>8.30-12.30 Rainbow Family Café Activities for the children <i>Pop in for tea and toast before Larder</i></p> <p>12.30-2.30 Sofea Community Larder</p> <p>1.30-3.00 Wolverton Family Room Pop in and Play <i>Lots of activities for the whole family to enjoy</i></p> <p>3.00-4.15 Family Ping Pong Session</p>	<p>8.30-10.00 Drop in Cafe and Play <i>Pop in for some breakfast and a play before our walk</i></p> <p>10.00-12.30 Easter Egg Hunt <i>Meet at the centre for a walk to Bancroft Park for our annual Easter Egg hunt</i></p> <p>1.00-1.45 Family Lunch <i>Join us for a light lunch and refreshments</i></p> <p>2.00-2.45 Ragdolly Annas <i>A Fun, interactive music session for all ages</i></p> <p>3.00-4.15 Family Ping Pong Session</p>	<p>8.30-10.00 Drop in cafe and Play <i>Pop in for a breakfast and play to start your day</i></p> <p>10.00-11.45 Visit to the Allotments <i>Come and join us for some gardening and strawberry planting</i></p> <p>12.00-12.45 Family Lunch <i>Join us for a light lunch and refreshments</i></p> <p>1.00-3.00 MK ARTS Centre <i>Join us for a Spring Craft Session</i></p>	<p>10.00-12.00 Easter Arts and Crafts <i>Join us for a variety of Easter and Spring themed activities</i></p> <p>12.15-1.00 Family Lunch <i>Join us for a light lunch and refreshments</i></p> <p>1.00-3.00 Walk to Great Linford Manor <i>Join us for a spring themed nature Scavenger Hunt</i> <i>Please meet at the Centre</i></p>	<p>Bank Holiday Closed</p> <p>Happy Easter from all of us at Rainbow Family Centre</p> 

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01908 227925

rainbowfamilycentre@milton-keynes.gov.uk

We are open Monday to Thursday from 8.30-4.30 and Friday 8.30-4.00

Rainbow Family Centre Easter Holidays 2026- Week Two

Monday 6 th April	Tuesday 7 th April	Wednesday 8 th April	Thursday 9 th April	Friday 10 th April
<p>Bank Holiday Closed</p> 	<p>8.30-10.00 Drop in cafe and Play <i>Pop in for a breakfast and play to start your day</i></p> <p>10.15-11.45 Ark Farm <i>Small Animal Visit</i> <i>Come and meet the chicks, hedgehogs, tortoises and chinchillas</i></p> <p>12.00-12.45 Family Lunch <i>Join us for a light lunch and refreshments</i></p> <p>1.00-2.30 Bradville Big Slide Park <i>Join us for a spring themed nature Scavenger Hunt</i></p>	<p>8.30-10.00 Drop in cafe and Play <i>Pop in for a breakfast and play to start your day</i></p> <p>10.00-1.00 HAF-Art Attack <i>Arts and Crafts session for children eligible for HAF</i> <i>Book via eequ.org</i></p> <p>12.30-2.30 Parks Trust Parkland Play Stanton Low Park Free Easter Event Petting Farm, Science Experiments, Story Telling and more We will be walking from the centre leaving at 1.00 prompt</p>	<p>8.30-10.00 Drop in cafe and Play <i>Pop in for a breakfast and play to start your day</i></p> <p>1.00-3.00 Family Forum Easter Session <i>Join our Forum for Family Fun, crafts, Easter Egg decorating, Fancy Dress, Bingo and more</i></p> <p>See poster for more information</p> 	<p>10.00-4.00 HAF-Gulliver's Land</p> <p>11.00-2.00 Easter Treasure Hunt <i>Funded by Wolverton and Greenleys Town Council</i></p> 

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COME AND CELEBRATE

RAINBOW FAMILY FORUM EGGSTRAVAGANZA

THURSDAY 9TH APRIL

1pm-3pm

Food and games



Easter Egg Race

Plant a sunflower

Optional Fancy Dress

Items available at the centre

Biscuit and egg decorating

*£5 for an adult and child
(extra family member £1)*

BRING
CASH TO
ENTER
GUESS
THE NAME
OF THE
BUNNY

FUN + FRIENDS + FAMILY + SMILES

Contact the family centre for tickets

RAGDOLLY
Annas

ForeverColours
children's hospice

SEND Easter Disco



When - Saturday 4th April
Time - 14:00-15:30
Where - Medbourne Pavilion, MK66LS
For - SEND children and their siblings
(up to the age of 18)

FULLY FUNDED (FREE) EASTER DISCO FOR SEND CHILDREN COURTESY OF FOREVER COLOURS

Join Forever Colours, Ragdolly Annas and special guest... The Easter Bunny for a high energy, feel good Easter Disco on 4th April!

This disco has been funded by the amazing Forever Colours Hospice Charity and is specifically for children and young adults (18 and under)

Siblings are of course welcomed to come and join in the fun!

Date - 4th April

Time - 14:00-15:30

Location - Medbourne Pavilion

Cost - FREE

For - Under 18's - all abilities

Lots of parking and wheel chair accessible.

Booking is essential - please get your tickets here! All attendees must have a ticket.

<https://bookwhen.com/ragdollyannas?tags=SEND...>

