



Friday 26th April 2024

Update Letter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Hopefully today's sunshine is a sign that the weather is warming up after a chilly few days! It has been all sunshine inside Lauriston though, with the children and staff showing great energy and excitement for the summer term.

One of our School Development Priorities this year has been '*Enhancing pupils' collaborative spirit across the school*'. Last week we introduced some new playground resources and had assemblies on what collaboration within the playground means. I have been delighted with the very positive response from the pupils and it is great to see everyone working hard to look after the resources and everyone tidying away as a team and supporting each other to have fabulous playtimes.

This is a very busy and important time of year within a school with specific year groups preparing for their National Assessments. Our Year 1 pupils are working hard on their Phonics, our Year 4 children are practicing their times tables daily before they take their Multiplication Tables Check and our fabulous year 6 children are working very hard each day preparing for their Key Stage 2 Standardised Assessment Tests (SATs). We will be having a practice run through on Monday morning to help prepare the children for what the actual SATs week will look like. I would like to thank all the parents for their support in helping prepare their children for these assessments. Time spent practicing phonics sounds [Blossom Phonics - YouTube](#) or times tables or previous SATs questions (see *Google Classroom for materials*) will really support the children over the next few weeks.

Very excitingly, we received some draft designs for the next phase of our playground development. I'm sure you agree that these draft designs look very exciting! A reminder that the funding for this has come from the hard work of the PTA and the generosity and collaborative spirit of our wider school community – fabulous work everyone!





This is a nice segue into a reminder about our latest PTA extravaganza which is tonight from 6:30pm – Lucky Dragon Social! It is an auction, Bingo Hall, Movie Night and so much more...It is set to be a night for the ages...so come on down and support the school and have some fun.

Key Dates:

Event	Date / Time / Location
Year 6 SATs practice Morning	Monday 29 th April 8:30am – Courtyard Gates
Year 3 Romans Workshop	Monday 29 th April – in School
KS2 SATs week	Monday 13 th – Thursday 16 th May
Last day of half term:	Friday 17 th May 3:30pm
Sports Day for Year 5&6	Monday 20 th May 9:30-11am
Sports Day for Year 1&2	Monday 20 th May 1-2:30pm
Sports Day for Nursery	Wednesday 22 nd May 10-11am
Sports Day for Years 3&4	Thursday 23 rd May 9:30-11am
Sports Day for Reception	Friday 24 th May 9:45-11am

For all key dates and future events, please follow the below link to the calendar section of our website.

[Calendar and Term Dates - Lauriston Primary School](#)

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Best Wishes,



Louis Harris
Head of Lauriston School