



Lawdale Junior School

Dear Parents and Carers,

February was another busy month for the school filled with lots of fun activities and visits. Most of our families have been observing the holy month of Ramadan with fasting. Our children in Year 5 and Year 6 have also been fasting and we believe they are doing this with great maturity. We are very proud of how they conduct themselves and how they approach their learning, whilst also fasting. We wish all families "Ramadan Mubarak."

On Tuesday 3rd March we had a fantastic inspirational speaker, Leah Chowdhury, in to talk to the children about how she was the first British Asian woman to swim the English Channel, despite not enjoying swimming at school. She also managed to raise £155,000 for an orphanage at the same time. Her inspiring talk was fascinating and gave us all food for thought about the kindness we can show towards others and how to overcome fears and adversity with a positive mind set, clear goals and a belief in ourselves.

We have several of our parents starting to learn to swim in February after we secured funding for adult swimming lessons. Well done to these parents for starting to learn something new as an adult. Swimming is great fun and being able to swim is a great life skill. If you would like to find out more about this project please contact our Parent Support officers, Raani Chawla and Hafsana Begum.

In February, our girls football team won in an interborough competition- well done to all of them for working so hard together as a team. We have also had some specialist tennis teachers in to teach Year 6 and some specialist cricket teachers in to work with Year 4, who provided some great lessons.

All in all another very successful month.

All the best
Annette Rook (Headteacher)

Football Competition

Congratulations to the **Year 5 and 6 girls** for their fantastic performance in the football competition! After a series of hard-fought matches, their teamwork and determination paid off—**WE WON!** A huge well done to the whole team for bringing home the trophy.



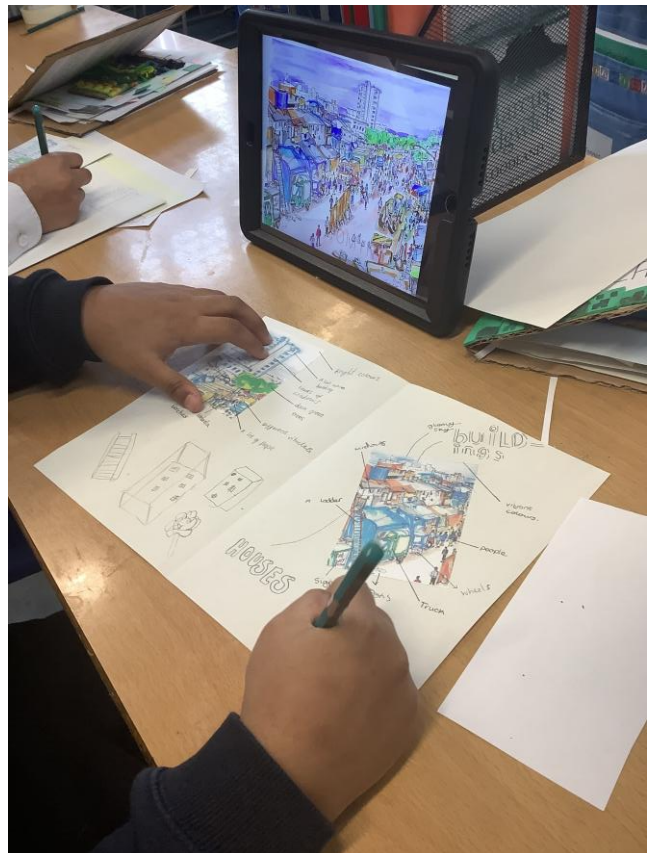


Art Week

We celebrated Lawdale's Art Week with our Take One Picture theme! Inspired by the National Gallery's Take One Picture project, each class explored a special piece of artwork and used it as a starting point for their own creative ideas.

The artwork we focused on included detailed city scenes, and the children responded by choosing small sections to study closely before developing their own imaginative pieces inspired by what they noticed. We proudly explored artwork connected to countries that represent our school community.





Year 6

Year 6 recently enjoyed an educational visit to the [River Lee Country Park](#) to support our Geography and Science curriculum. It was a fantastic day of hands-on learning that brought our classroom studies to life.



Tennis

The recent tennis coaching session provided the children with a fantastic opportunity to develop both their physical technique and key character skills.



Academic Year 2025 – 2026 Dates to Remember

Dates	Events
MONDAY 16th - FRIDAY 20th FEBRUARY 2026 - SCHOOL CLOSED - HALF TERM	
Monday 23 rd February	Walk and Scoot to School month
Tuesday 24 th February	Year 5 Steam Session UBS Tennis Coaching
Wednesday 25 th February	Big Foot Workshops
Monday 2 nd March	Book Week
Tuesday 3 rd March	Whole School Leah Chowdhury Special Assembly
Tuesday 3 rd March	Year 3 Trip to Pompeii Exhibition
Wednesday 4 th March	Holi Hindu Festival World Book Day Dress up-assembly
Wednesday 11 th March	Oral hygiene workshop – whole school
Monday 16 th March	St. Patrick's Day & Parent Conference – school finishes at 1:30 pm
Tuesday 17 th March	Boys Football Competition at John Scurr
Friday 20 th March	School Closed for EID Red Nose Day
Monday 23 rd March	Walk and Wheel to school week
Tuesday 24 th March	Mayors School Air Filter Activity Day
Wednesday 25 th March	Cross teach assembly
Friday 27 th March	Easter Bonnet Assembly School finishes at 1:30pm
MONDAY 30th MARCH - FRIDAY 10th APRIL 2026 - SCHOOL CLOSED - END OF TERM	
Monday 13 rd March	Big Walk and Wheel to school starts - until end of term
Tuesday 21 st April	Parasports: Team of 5 SEN to Bangabandu
Tuesday 28 th April	Year 4 Trip Science Museum
Monday 4th May	BANK HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
Thursday 7th May	LOCAL ELECTIONS – SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday 18 th May	Walk to School Week
Thursday 21 st May	100% Attendance – Lunch at Nando's
MONDAY 25th - FRIDAY 29th MAY 2026 - SCHOOL CLOSED - HALF TERM	
Monday 1st June	SCHOOL OPEN
Wednesday 3 rd June	EID Parties
Thursday 11 th June	Year 4 Transport Museum
Thursday 11 th June	Parasports: Team of 5 SEN to John Scurr Year 4 Multiplication Test &
Monday 15 th June	Refugee Week & Science Week Yr 3 Class Trip: British Museum
Tuesday 16 th June	Science Workshop - Wonder Dome Workshop
Friday 19 th June	Yr 3 Class Trip: British Museum

Monday 22 nd June	Healthy School Event – 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm
Tuesday 23 rd June	Daily Mile Event at Mile End
Friday 26 th June	Year 5/6 Trip to City of London
Monday 29 th June	Parent Conference – School finishes at 1:30 pm
Tuesday 30 th June	Children meet the new class teacher & classroom
Wednesday 1 st July	Year 6 Gorsefield Trip
Friday 3 rd July	Parents meet new Year 3 teachers 1:1 – all day Year 6 out at secondary schools
Monday 6 th July	Year 6 Gorsefield Trip
Tuesday 7 th July	Royal Opera House / RRS Ballet Event
Monday 13 th July	Attendance Certificates Year 3 & 4, & Year 6 Leavers Assembly – 2:30 pm
Tuesday 14 th July	Attendance Certificates Year 5 & 6, & Year 6 Performance – 2:30 pm
Friday 17 th July	End of year Parties AM
Monday 20 th July	SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET DAY
Tuesday 21 st July	SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET DAY
WEDNESDAY 22 nd JULY 2026 – 31 st AUGUST 2026 - SCHOOL CLOSED - END OF TERM	