TERM 5

NEWSLETTER

HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE



Dear Parents and Carers,



As we approach the end of Term 5, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the incredible hard work and dedication shown by our pupils this term. It has been a short term, but a particularly busy and productive period, with fantastic achievements across the school. We have been particularly pleased with the introduction of our new Polo Shirt for our summer uniform, and feedback from pupils is that they are equally as pleased; what a great suggestion from the School Council!

Year 11 students have truly risen to the challenge as they undertake their exams. Their commitment has been commendable, and we are incredibly proud of the perseverance they are showing during this critical time. Our staff continue to support them through extra revision sessions, guidance, and encouragement to ensure they feel confident and ready for success. After the exams, they have a wonderful Leavers' Assembly and Prom to look forward to!

Beyond the academic efforts, our pupils across all year groups have embraced various school activities, from engaging in extracurricular clubs to participating in sporting events and creative projects. Their enthusiasm and school spirit have been outstanding!

As we look ahead to Term 6, we encourage pupils to maintain their momentum, and we appreciate the support of parents and carers in helping them stay focused and motivated. We particularly look forward to our wonderful Enrichment week activities at the end of the school year in July.

We would like to remind you that you can keep up to date with what is happening at the school via our Social Media pages; our school website also has a wealth of information.

We hope our pupils and families enjoy the forthcoming holiday, and we would like to thank you for your continued support.

Russell Langdown
Head of School

Sandra Muir
Executive Headteacher





Our School commemorated VE Day with special assemblies and activities.
Our pupils participated in I LEARN activities, deepening their understanding of this important historical event.

The Union Flag flew high above the school, and the bunting was proudly displayed around the site.

To add to the atmosphere, the iconic Dambusters theme played at 3.20 pm as the pupils left school.





We are proud of our two pupils who are members of the 21st Swindon Scouts, they took part in the VE ceremony at Swindon Borough Council.







IN THE NEWS

Young artists at <u>Lawn Manor Academy</u> in Swindon have drawn inspiration from women across the globe in the school's latest creative competition.

Throughout March, pupils were challenged to draw a woman who inspired them as part of their lessons connected to International Women's Day. Entries celebrated female leaders in their fields over the ages including Indira Ghandi, Arwah al-Sulayhi, Florence Nightingale and Ariana Grande.

The school has run the competition since 2016 and this is the second year that Ayesha has won the top spot, with her portrait of Benazir Bhutto placing her in the top Key Stage 3 spot last year when she was in Year 9.

Head of Art at Lawn Manor Academy, Miss Young, explained, "Each year we use International Women's Day as a time to stop and appreciate the women across the globe who inspire us, whether that's those who fire our skills and passions or those who show us that anyone can make a difference by standing up for what we believe in.

"These portraits are now being proudly displayed in our West Manor Foyer, an area where our pupils gather for break and lunch times. These famous faces can remind our pupils about what they could achieve one day, as well as celebrating the talent that is being nurtured at Lawn Manor Academy.

"The International Women's Day art competition is always hotly contested and shows the excellent art skills that our pupils have and shows that Lawn Manor Academy is brimming with creative talent."



A proud moment for Lawn Manor Academy as Year 10 pupil, Bubacarr, signs for Chippenham Town FC's Under- 16 Academy – in record time too!

After smashing it at Swindon Town and scoring seven goals in Barcelona, this young striker is on the rise.

Next stop - Premier League?



His football journey began at the tender age of four, when he first turned out for Ferndale Rodbourne YCFC.

The sport runs in the family – his Uncle played professionally for both Swindon Town and Tranmere Rovers.

Bubacarr's ambition has been fuelled by the legacy.



We've had some very important guests lately.....

Badgers are doing late-night patrols
A Heron popping by to see if we've
got the best nursing spots
Muntjac deer tiptoeing through the
trees like secret woodland spies
Squirrels are running the fastest
snack delivery service in the woods
And foxes sneaking around playing
hide and seek!

It's like a woodland wonderland out there! In our Forest School.





LIBRARY NEWS



In the month of May in the Library, the theme is Pirates!

A 'Pirate' is a robber who travels by water. Though most pirates targeted ships, some also launched attacks on coastal towns.

We often think of pirates as swashbuckling & daring or evil & brutish, but in actual fact most of them were ordinary people who had been forced to turn to criminal activity to make ends meet.

This theme will be looking at traditional pirates (Blackbeard), fantasy pirates (Jack Sparrow & Captain Hook) and modern day pirates.



Why are Pirates called Pirates?
Because they ARRR!

















Spring Fair



Lawn Manor Academy held its first-ever Spring Fair on May 10th, raising over £1,000, an outstanding achievement. The event included a dog show, an impressive performance by the school's finalists from the "Great Big Dance Off," and a performance by the school band.

The sun was shining, and the community turned out in full force to support local businesses and the school.

"The day was a huge success! It was wonderful to see so many people come out and enjoy the event. A lot of hard work and time went into organizing this day, and the students from New York put a great deal of thought into their stalls.

We are incredibly grateful to everyone who attended, donated prizes, and to the parents who supported and managed the stall. Thank you all for coming together to create such an incredible event!"















Summer Production
9th and 10th July

West Manor Hall 6.00pm-8.00pm

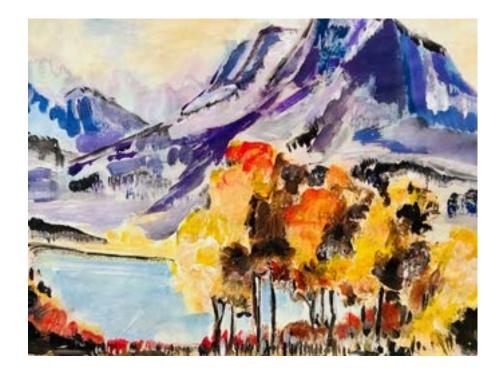
Tickets coming soon Available from Student
Services - £5 Adult /
£4 Pupils













YOU ARE INVITED TO A CELEBRATION OF GCSE ARTWORK

The Art Department requests the pleasure of your company at

Lawn Manor Academy

Falmouth Grove, Swindon SN3 1ER
Wednesday 9th/Thursday 10th July 2025 4pm-6pm
RSVP

Miss Young

Email: cyoung@lma.ascendlearningtrust.org.uk

Tel: 01793 487286







Pupils now have the options booklet for enrichment week 15th -17th July. Pupils need to choose 6 possible options and rank them in order. An options form will be sent out on satchel 1.

The deadline to complete this is 30th May.

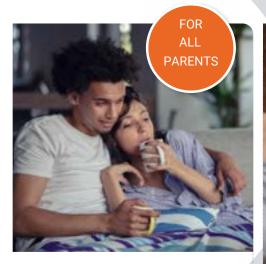




Online relationship support for parents



Parents in this area can now access THREE ONLINE COURSES from the relationship experts at OnePlusOne. Learn to cope with stress and communicate better, wherever you are in your parenting journey.



Arguing better

Disagreements are a normal part of life. How you approach them can make all the difference to you, your partner, and your children. You will learn:

- How to recognise stress and how it can affect you.
- How to support each other through difficult times.
- What causes arguments and how to stop them.



Me, You and Baby Too

Learn how to navigate the changes that happen in a relationship when a baby arrives, including:

- How you and your partner can support each other.
- How to talk to bring up difficult topics.
 - How arguments start, and how to stop them.



Getting it right for children

When parents are separating or separated, children can often get caught in the middle. Learn how to manage conflict to minimise the impact it has on your children, as well as:

- How to stop a discussion from turning into an argument.
- How to stay calm and listen as well as talk.
- Skills for finding solutions and making compromises.

To access the courses, you will need a smartphone, tablet, or computer, and a good internet connection. They are all FREE to use, so you'll just need to select your local authority area and create an account with a username and password.

You can get started by scanning the QR code or visiting: www.oneplusone.org.uk/parents



THINK BEFORE YOU PARK!



It is important that pupils have a safe and positive journey to and from school each day. We are particularly pleased that so many pupils are riding their bikes to school and making good use of our new bike sheds that have recently been installed. Parents and Carers can help in the following ways:

If you are dropping or collecting your child at our Falmouth Grove entrance, please encourage your child to walk just a few metres from one of the surrounding roads. Unfortunately, we have seen an increase of parents/carers bringing their children right up to the school gates; this is creating an unnecessarily dangerous situation when hundreds of children are entering / exiting the school site.

Please be respectful to our neighbours; parents / carers and pupils avoid standing on their driveways or sitting on their walls, and parent / carers should avoid blocking driveways.

Thank you for your support

Key dates for Term 6

Year 7 Academic Progress Evening

Thursday 19th June

16.00pm - 19.00pm

Information for booking will follow.





PARENTPAY



Purchasing items is easy and a varies options are available to you, depending on how you wish to make payments. Here you will find a helpful guide on payment processes.

Parents and Carers

You can now access the following details securely through an app called Arbor: **Guardian Information, attendance, assessment, rewards, behaviour, clubs and trips.** Arbor allows us to communicate with you more efficiently and for you to see instantly how your children are getting on at Lawn Manor Academy.

Go to https://login.arbor.sc

We are inviting all parents and carers to log in using the following 2 easy steps

Click below - Forgot your password

Log into the Parent Portal and the Parent App – Arbor Help Centre

School Support

If you have not given your email address to school – you will not be able to log in.

If you have any other queries, please contact admin@lma.ascendlearningtrust.org.uk

Please email or call main reception to make sure your email address is on our system.

The Arbor App can be downloaded from either the Play store on android phones or the Apple Store on iPhones. Arbor also offers access to many training resources which are completely free for you to make the most of!

How to navigate and get around Arbor – Arbor Help Centre

UNIFORM DONATION

WANTED

Do you have any school uniform which you no longer need and could be used by others?



LAWN MANOR ACADEMY

PRE - LOVED UNIFORM

Donate and Re-cycle



Items can be purchased at reduced costs

Thank You

These items can be donated to the Main Reception by Parents or by **Pupils to Student Services** 08.00 - 16.00 (Term time only)

We will welcome donations of:

- LMA Blazers
- School Trousers and SkirtsLMA TiesLMA PE Items

- Footballs Boots
- Trainers

for more information

Email: admin@lma.ascendlearningtrust.org.uk

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