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TEACHER



- Dates for your diary:

**Mon:** Science and Larkpack followed by Art and Writing

**Tue:** Swimming in the morning followed by Weekend News and Susie's Sing and Sign in the afternoon.

**Wed:** Communication session and Larkpack in the morning followed by Sensory Room and Maths in the afternoon.

**Thurs:** Shopping and Cookery with Helen.

**Fri:** Café visit and P.E/Self-care skills followed by celebration assembly.

Wishing you an excellent weekend

Dan, Jo, Jess, Tash,  
Amie, Yasemin,  
Zara and Adí

Don't forget to keep checking our school website for lots of info and links to useful sites.

# Penguins Newsletter

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! 20/12/2019



The first newsletter of 2020 has arrived! Phew! I just wanted to add a little bit about why the newsletters may not come up weekly in Penguins Class. As you know, we like to keep you all up to date using the home school communication books. On top of this, we send out weekly certificates as well as photos of especially excellent moments that occur during the school day. We at Larkerise have been thinking about how we can streamline everything that we offer to parents and carers to ensure they receive lots of high quality information as well as being kept regularly up to date. We are hoping to trial our 'Evidence for Learning' app so that parents can access the pupils' progress, which will come complete with photos and observations. I will be sure to keep you updated!

Monday has remained a very busy day! This term we are focusing on materials, and for science that means water and states of matter. In art, we will be thinking about collage this term. I have recently overhauled the way we teach maths and have decided to make this an attention session in lieu of



Olivia is our Penguin of the week for amazing communication with adults and other pupils around the school. Olivia never fails to surprise us with her capabilities and we are very proud of her!

Swimming, which again I will keep you up to date about. Tuesday afternoon was a visit from a musician which was enjoyed!

On Wednesday we focused on our communication targets, which has slightly changed this term. Miss Burton observed the lesson and graded it 'outstanding' and praised the staff and children, saying she was 'in awe' of the progress she observed. Your children and the staff in class deserve a huge pat on the back! Hooray! Wednesday afternoon was sensory room. Thursday was spent in school and focusing on therapies followed by cooking and Friday was café, P.E and assembly.

Have a wonderful holiday, Dan

What I have been hearing about ...

Looking forward to seeing you all at parents evening next Tuesday! Please be sure to bring anything you want to discuss as well as any points for development!



