



Ladybrook Primary School Newsletter

Learning without Limits

May 2026

Welcome to our May Newsletter

I have to start this newsletter with huge congratulations to our Year 6 pupils for the fantastic attitude and determination they showed during their SATs. We are incredibly proud of the resilience, maturity and positivity they demonstrated throughout the week. They approached every test with confidence and gave each one absolute focus. Our independent observer from the Governing Body, Mrs Benton, commented on how calm and mature the children were. Well done, Year 6 — you should all be very proud of yourselves and now we wait for the results!!

Further congratulations



Many of our musicians will know that Jim Wilson, our guitar teacher, has been off this week and this is because he has become a daddy! I hope you'll joining me in sending the new little Wilson a huge Ladybrook welcome to the world! Let's hope mummy and daddy Wilson are able to get some sleep!

We would also like to send our warmest congratulations to our midday assistant, Mrs Walsh, on her recent wedding. We wish her and her new husband a lifetime of happiness, love and wonderful memories together. Congratulations from everyone at school.

Product recalls

We are aware of a national product recall relating to play sand and the potential presence of asbestos. You may have seen reports in the media relating to this. We are taking precautionary measures, including closing all access to sand areas, following guidance from public health authorities and the Local Authority. The safety and well-being of children and staff is our top priority. Current advice indicates that the risk to health is very low but until we are told it is safe to open them, our sand areas will remain closed. To reassure you, we have clear records showing where our sand is purchased with batch numbers and are ready to provide these to the HSE should we need to. You may want to use the following links if you have sand play at home. [Product Safety Alerts, Reports and Recalls - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/product-safety-alerts-reports-and-recalls)

Our Learning

Year 4 have experienced an excellent day of Learning at Liverpool World Museum – they were fabulous ambassadors for Ladybrook. I'm not sure why, but I have been told many times that the best part of the day was finding out about the mummification process!!

St Philip's Primary School have recently spent the day with us as part of our Linking Schools project. The project brings together children from different schools and communities to help them explore identity, diversity, equality and community through a range of shared activities and visits. Throughout the year, the children take part in joint sessions, discussions and team-building activities, helping them to build confidence, friendships and understanding of others.





The programme encourages pupils to reflect on four key questions:

- Who am I?
- Who are we?
- Where do we live?
- How do we all live together?

Through this valuable experience, children develop communication skills, empathy, respect and an appreciation of both similarities and differences within our wider community.

Mission Move!

Walk to School Week 2026 takes place from **Monday 18 May to Friday 22 May 2026**, and we are encouraging pupils to walk, wheel or "park and stride" to reduce congestion and increase physical activity. Organised by Living Streets, this year's "Mission Move" challenge encourages daily, active travel to school so even if you live a long way away, why not park further away and walk the last part of your journey? During this same week, we will also be holding our Sponsored Keep Fit and our mini-marathon – you should already have received information about all of these events.

Can you help us?

1. Our garden is flourishing and we want to prepare for the fabulous weather that we know will be heading our way soon (!). Before we buy another water butt, we thought we would ask if anybody has one that they no longer need – we're always trying to recycle, reuse, reduce! If you do have one that you no longer need and you would be able to donate it to us, please get in touch. Mr Fowler is going to work his magic and join it / them to our existing one so that the children can independently water the gardens.
2. Mrs Bristow has requested that when choosing meals for school dinners, please could you be mindful about the information that you have given us about allergies and dietary requirements. It puts us in an unsafe / difficult situation when parents choose meals that children should not / can not have. As an example, if you have told us your child cannot have a certain ingredient for religious reasons, please check the menus carefully for that ingredient. Equally, if your child has allergies, please can you make sure that you always order based on the information given in the menus. Our menus clearly identify the content of meals.

Business Club

Thank you to everybody that came to purchase items from us at our first sale. We sold out of some items! We will be holding another sale in the playground at home time on Monday 18th May so if you want household products that are of natural origin, vegan friendly, cruelty free, dermatologically tested and suitable for sensitive skin, made in the UK to reduce air miles and come in refillable bottles then come and see our stock on Monday! Business Club would love to help you out!



Workshops and Coffee mornings



Our next coffee morning and workshop is on Friday 22nd May at 9:00 am. The focus is on Transitions – this may be very relevant to many of you if your child finds changing year groups worrying. The PowerPoints from the previous four sessions can be found here:

<https://www.ladybrook.stockport.sch.uk/building-confident-children-workshops/>

Keeping safe online

I wanted to let you know about a new site that we've recently added to our Filter blocklist: Omoggle. Omoggle is a new anonymous video chat site where users are paired with strangers and rated on their appearance by an AI algorithm. It's become a popular platform within the "mogging" trend where people are compared and ranked based on their looks - which has been growing quickly across platforms like Twitch and TikTok.

The site's anonymous nature means young people can end up in an unmoderated space being judged on how they look, with no oversight. This kind of content is linked to body image issues, low self-esteem and bullying. It's particularly concerning for younger, more impressionable users. If you have older children in school and at high school, you may want to listen out for mention of it with their friends as well as checking devices.

Local Events

We are entering a duck into the Duck Race on Sunday – thank you to Mrs Lewis, Mrs Lockett and some children from Out of School Club for making him look spectacular!! If you are attending the event in the park, please cheer him on!

Your family may also be interested in these two outdoor events to get out and about in June – especially as we know so many of our children enjoy their learning in the garden:



Warm regards,
Caroline Woosnam

Further dates for your diaries

Week beginning 18 th May 2026	Sponsored Keep Fit and Mini Marathon week	
19 th May 2026	PTA Trustees meeting 2:30pm	
21 st May 2026	Year 2 Assembly 9:10 am	
22 nd May 2026	Parent Coffee morning / workshop: Transition	
22 nd May 2026	School Closes	
8 th June 2026	School Opens	
Week beginning 8 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening (formal assessment)	
Month of June	Year 4 Multiplication Check (formal assessment)	
10 th June 2026	EYFS Farm Visit	
11 th June 2026	Cocktails and Canvas	
17 th June 2026	Sports Day	
18 th June 2026	Halle Event	
23 rd June 2026	Year 1 trip to Lytham	
24 th June 2026	KS 1 Movie Night	
25 th June 2026	Year 4 visit to St Philip’s Primary School	Bramhall High School Music Evening
30 th June 2026	Year 5 trip to Jodrell bank	

