

Welcome back to the first week of the term, I hope that everyone had a fantastic holiday and enjoyed a well-earned break. It has been amazing to hear from pupils this week about the wonderful things they got up to over the holidays. The cold weather has certainly been a popular topic of discussion, with pupils sharing their thoughts on the icy mornings and wintry landscapes. It has been fantastic to see the pupils return and enjoy reconnecting with their peers in school.



Across Barwell Lane, pupils have been eager to share their holiday experiences, engaging in thoughtful discussions and strengthening their communication skills. Key Stage 4's pathways groups have started new topics this term, and it has been fantastic to see everyone enthusiastically meeting their new groups and diving into their learning.

At Middlefield Lane, pupils participated in a charity presentation led by Ian, who shared his work with a charity supporting visits to Lourdes. Pupils were highly engaged, asking questions and discussing the vital work charities do and how they raise funds. In science, pupils have continued exploring states of matter, investigating transitions between solids, liquids, and gases with hands-on activities and experiments.

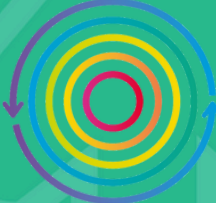
Thank you for a great start to the term! I hope everyone has a lovely weekend and stays safe in the icy weather.

Jonathan

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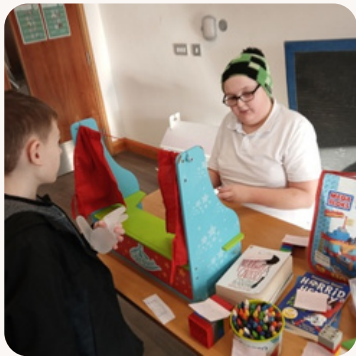
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
WEEK 1	MAIN Tomato & Basil Pasta (V) Garlic Bread & Peas	MAIN Brunch, Omelette, Baked Beans & Hash Brown	MAIN Cottage Pie & Carrots	MAIN Italian Chicken, Herby Diced Potatoes & Sweetcorn	MAIN Battered Fish, Chips & Peas	Click here for Lunch Menus
	VEGETARIAN Vegan Sausage Roll (V) New Potatoes & Peas	VEGETARIAN V Brunch, Omelette, Baked Beans & Hash Brown (V)	VEGETARIAN Mediterranean Vegetable Wellington (V), Carrots & Sauté Potatoes	VEGETARIAN Five Bean Chilli (V) Boiled Rice & Sweetcorn	VEGETARIAN Vegetable Burger (V), Chips & Peas	
	DESSERT Lemon Sponge	DESSERT Ice Cream Pot	DESSERT Apple & Blackberry Crumble	DESSERT Carrot Cake	DESSERT Cornflake Cake	

SECONDARY SCHOOL LUNCHES

w/c 13th January 2025 - Week 1 menu (£2.55 per day)



We have a no-debt procedure for our school meal service. If your child is not entitled to free school meals, they MUST be in credit if they wish to have a school dinner, you can pay via Arbor. Please keep us updated with any dietary requirements for your child. Information regarding eligibility for Free School Meals is available from your local authority.



With 13 major sporting venues and clubs hosting national and international events, Leicester and Leicestershire is celebrated for its sports industry. The sport industry includes professional and semi professional sport but it also includes leisure and fitness too. The sport industry employs approx. 9,000 people across sports and fitness facilities, sports clubs, manufacturing and the sale/rental of sports equipment, but also a growing range of online and virtual reality sports activities, in Leicester and Leicestershire. The sports workforce is quite a young sector, with approx. 36% of employees being 24 years or younger. A lots of the jobs are flexible meaning you can work part time, at the weekends, in the evenings or do shift work. Sector employment is set to grow 9.5% by 2030.

Example Job Roles: horse groom, leisure centre assistant, sports coach, fitness instructor, referee, lifeguard, martial arts instructor, outdoor activities instructor, performance sports scientist, pilates teacher, jockey, personal trainer, race horse trainer, sport & exercise psychologist, sports professional, sports commentator, sports development officer, swimming teacher.



Useful subjects: English, maths, sciences, PE, ICT, sociology, psychology, business studies

Skills & Qualities: customer service skills, ability to work well with others, patience, excellent verbal communication skills, pay attention to detail, use your initiative, to flexible and open to change

Local Employers: Local authorities & district councils, Leicester City Football Club, Leicester Tigers Rugby Club, Leicestershire County Cricket Club, Leicester Riders Basketball, various leisure centres including private centres like Living Well Health Club, Bannatynes, Sketchley Grange, David Lloyd, gyms, swimming pools, Loughborough University

- Leicestershire has some fantastic career opportunities in its vibrant, growing sports and physical activity sector. It is home to local research-driven expertise, globally recognised sports teams, athletes and facilities
- The interest in health, wellness, fitness wearables or fitness apps, weight management and cycling will increase career opportunities in the sector, and the need for digital skills is growing.
- Career opportunities include coaching, teaching, nutritionist, leisure assistants, green keepers, social media and marketing roles, retail sales, data analytics, project management, sports development roles, physiotherapist and design and manufacturing roles.
- The most advertised sports roles locally are fitness instructors, sports coaches, sports instructors and sports officials.
- Sport is an important part of health and well-being in the community and there are many great options to get involved in the sector. Volunteering in sport is a great way to get some experience and skills.
- The top three skills requested across locally advertised roles in sport are customer services, communication skills and coaching.
- Loughborough University is ranked number one in the world for sports-related subjects, with specialisms including health, engineering, rehabilitation and sports performance. Sport Park, on the Loughborough University site is home to many of the country's top sports governing bodies and national sports organisations.
- The area has 14 major sporting venues/clubs hosting national and international events, including Leicester City Football Club, Leicester Tigers, Leicester Riders, Leicester Hockey Club plus motor racing at Donington Park and Mallory Park, and horse racing at Leicester



What you could earn: £15,000 per annum starter up to £60,000 per annum experienced

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