



# LLS News

24/04/2026



Dear families

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May we will be holding our annual Careers Fair. Please read on for further details on the next page.

Thank you to everyone who has already completed our survey for parents and carers. If you haven't completed it yet please click on this link to share your views

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/87dchDCwmr>. We always appreciate your feedback.

Have a lovely weekend.



## Events and dates to remember

### Summer Term



### Dates



#### **May Day Bank Holiday**

Monday 4th May  
2026

#### **Half-Term Holiday**

Monday 25th May  
2026-Friday 29th May  
2026

#### **Inset Day 5 (no students)**

Monday 1st June  
2026

#### **Last day for students**

Thursday 16th July  
2026

**Planning and Preparation Day**  
Friday 17th July 2026

**Planning and Preparation Day**  
Monday 20th July  
2026

## Star of the Week

**Aviyah** for working hard on her therapy program and making progress in independence.

**Frankie** for sharing his sensory toys with friends in residential.

**Bethany** for making progress in her tolerance for textured food at meal times.

**Enea** for doing some amazing standing in his standing sling and taking a couple of steps!

**Leila** for making great progress with her hands programme. Leila independently used the tripod grasp to pick up 3D shapes off the light box!





# Linden Lodge Transition and Careers Fair 2026

Thursday 14th May 10.30-2.00  
Isobel Family Centre, Linden Lodge School

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to invite you to our upcoming Careers and Transition Fair, taking place on Wednesday 14th May from 10:30am to 2.00pm in the Isobel Centre.

This event will bring together a wide range of providers from across the country, including colleges, employers, charities, and many other organisations. It's a fantastic opportunity to explore the different pathways and support available, ask questions, and gain valuable insight into future options.

We are planning for this to be a fun, engaging, and informative day for everyone involved. There will be plenty to see, learn, and experience, making it a valuable event for both students and families.

We hope you can join us for what promises to be an exciting and inspiring event. Please let us know if you are able to attend by completing this [form](#).

Warm regards,  
Alex Stylianou  
Careers Teacher

## Learning@Linden Lodge

### Visit to ITN and ITV News Studios

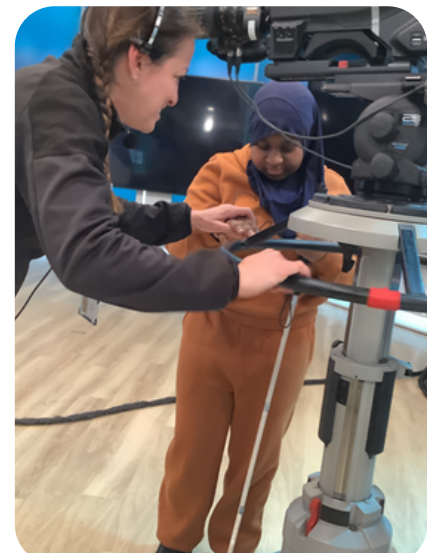
Our recent trip to the ITN and ITV News Studios was a truly fantastic experience and a memorable day out for everyone involved. Pupils had the exciting opportunity to go behind the scenes of a real working newsroom and gain a fascinating insight into the world of journalism and broadcasting.

During our visit, we were lucky enough to meet many of the presenters and even sit in the presenter's chair in the studio, which was a real highlight! We enjoyed guided tours of the news studios, editing suites and offices, where we saw first-hand how news is produced each day.

One of the most inspiring parts of the visit was meeting the many people who work behind the scenes to make the news happen — from journalists and scriptwriters to editors and production teams. It was wonderful for pupils to learn about the wide range of roles involved in broadcasting and to gain a real understanding of what a career in journalism can look like.

We also enjoyed a delicious lunch in the café, which rounded off a brilliant day together.

The trip was fun, engaging and incredibly informative, and everybody thoroughly enjoyed the experience. It was an amazing opportunity for our pupils and one we will remember for a long time.





## Join our school on Classlist

*The parent app that brings you into the heart of our school community*

- ✓ Get in touch with parents in our school
- ✓ See what's coming up for you and your child
- ✓ Find like-minded friends in our community
- ✓ Organise meet-ups and birthday parties
- ✓ Buy event tickets & RSVP to invitations

*I'm in the loop with essential updates*

*I can ask the parents in my child's class questions*

*It helps me see who's who at my school and see who lives nearby*



*Now I know who my child is friends with, I can get in touch with their parents*

*I can buy and sell pre-loved clothing, books and household items*

*I can organise my child's birthday and see who's coming*

### Is Classlist moderated?

Yes! It's moderated by parents to keep our community friendly, welcoming and useful.

### Is Classlist secure?

Yes! It's fully GDPR-compliant and private; only verified school parents can join.

### How much information do I need to share?

You're in control of your profile info and notification settings!



**Build amazing parent communities**

Connect - Celebrate - Collaborate

## Noticeboard



My name is Perry Thompson, Founder and Executive Director of the Rhythm and Blues Preservation Society, and I am also a legally blind U.S. citizen deeply committed to preserving the cultural legacy of American music.

In recognition of Jazz Appreciation Month this April, I narrated and Rev. Dr. Sonja Elise Freeman "Queen Diva," our RBPSOC Global Ambassador, VP, and Chief Curriculum Designer, produced a presentation entitled The Evolution of R&B Through the Genius of Blind and Visually Impaired Musicians. This educational lecture highlights the extraordinary contributions of blind and visually impaired artists whose innovation helped shape the sound of jazz, soul, and Rhythm & Blues. The presentation spotlights influential musicians including Art Tatum, Rahsaan Roland Kirk, Matthew Whitaker, Justin Kauflin, Marcus Roberts, and Diane Schuur, whose artistry demonstrates how creativity and determination transcend perceived limitations.

As both an advocate for accessibility and a leader in music preservation, I believe it is important that we continue elevating the accomplishments of blind and visually impaired individuals whose talents have strengthened the cultural fabric of our society. These artists have not only influenced musical genres, but have helped expand conversations about inclusion, opportunity, and the importance of recognizing ability beyond disability.

The Rhythm and Blues Preservation Society is dedicated to preserving Black music culture, educating future generations, and promoting awareness of the historical contributions that continue to influence today's music landscape.

[RBPSOC Jazz Appreciation Month The Evolution of R&B Video \(1\).mp4](#)

