



## Scholars Academy Trust

### Newsletter December 2019

Welcome to the Trust newsletter, this will be sent out to all parents and staff at least twice a year to keep everyone up to date on news within the Trust.

#### School Results

The Key Stage 2 tables were released last week and we are extremely proud of the children at Launde and Glenfield as both schools performed extremely well at the end of KS2.

The results are as follows

KS2 at or above expected standard	Combined RWM	Reading	Writing	Maths	Science
Launde	79%	83%	94%	87%	91%
Glenfield	80%	84%	87%	85%	89%
National	65%	73%	78%	79%	83%

KS2 at or above expected standard	Combined RWM	Reading	Writing	Maths
Launde	27%	44%	48%	37%
Glenfield	11%	33%	29%	35%
National	11%	27%	20.1%	27%



The Trusts would like to thank all the staff for their hard work as good results can only be achieved at the end of KS2 if all the year groups contribute towards them as clearly at our schools they do.

The individual school websites have the results for Early Years, Phonics and KS1, these again demonstrate how hard our children work to achieve good outcomes throughout their time at Glenfield and Launde.

#### School News



Last year was an exceptionally busy year for the schools within Scholars Trust educationally, with routine development work being delivered day in and day out by our wonderful staff, at school level and in the central team. There have been lots of visits to schools, training opportunities for staff, curricular enrichments and educational visits for our pupils. It really has been a year of significant improvement, we are very proud of what we have collectively achieved and that includes

the positive contributions of parents. The staff and leaders are continuing to provide the best education they can for all our children so that last year's results can be built upon. There is a strong focus on ensuring that the children's academic, social and emotional needs are met through the wider curriculum. As a result of the latter the staff have been working hard to further refine the curriculum to incorporate learning that supports the children not only to be successful at the primary stage but prepare them for future learning. Learning both within and beyond the classroom is actively encouraged and the children thoroughly enjoy the varied curriculum that is offered at both Glenfield and Launde.



The staff at both schools work closely together to share ideas and resources to support each other. This has further developed the high aspirations we have for all our children which in turn will ensure our children have aspirations for themselves.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents for all their support over the last year.

### **Trustee information**

Parents may be wondering who the Trustees are, this information can be found on the Scholars website [www.scholarstrust.co.uk](http://www.scholarstrust.co.uk) along with other Trust information. There are currently seven Trustees and four Members who oversee the schools within the Scholars Trust.

### **Governors**

The Governors have been regularly meeting to hold the school leaders to account. At the beginning of the year, the Governors, Trustees and Members met to look at the successes of last year and considered what improvements need to be looked at for this academic year. The Governors have been visiting schools to check on activity within school and have also undertaken regular training to keep up to date on school matters.

### **Oadby Learning Partnership Teaching School (OLP, part of Scholars Trust)**



Launde and Glenfield remain active members in all aspects of Teaching School work. Senior leaders regularly chair and facilitate network meetings, develop and deliver training, undertake school to school support and represent OLP on strategic and management boards for key organisations. The teachers across Scholars have attended and participated in a variety of high quality training sourced and developed to target school needs. The ongoing development of staff leads to the positive outcomes for children in Launde, Glenfield and schools beyond.

### **Scholars Events**

Not only have staff been working hard within Glenfield and Launde but they have also been supporting other schools.

This term there has been several exciting events that have taken place collaboratively between Glenfield, Launde, Buckminster and Stathern Primary Schools. The children have had the opportunity to learn Spanish for a lesson a week this half term delivered by Señora Christopher, who is based at Launde Primary School.



As well as feedback from the children to say how much they have learnt during these sessions, it has also been a super experience for the teaching staff who have appreciated sharing good practice together with the languages teacher.

We are planning a session at Launde at the end of the year where the children from all four schools will get together to celebrate Spanish culture and get the opportunity to use the Spanish they have learnt with other children of the same age. More details about the day will be available nearer the time



On 26 November, Scholars Academy Trust organised for an inspirational speaker, **Emmanuel Jal**, to visit the schools to speak with our Year 5/6 children. He shared his unique story and, through dance and hip hop, got the children thinking about the importance of being courageous and determined to achieve their goals. Year 5/6 pupils from Stathern Primary School joined Launde Primary School pupils for the morning session. Buckminster Primary School Years 5/6 pupils joined Glenfield Primary School in the afternoon.



Emmanuel Jal is a UN Ambassador and a hip hop music artist who speaks and performs with a strong message of peace, travelling to many countries to work with pupils and leaders. He has experienced a very challenging childhood as a child soldier in the war-torn region of Southern Sudan. He describes how he was rescued by British aid and through education, was able to achieve success

He explained to the children that all the beliefs can only work if we work together and respect each other, a message we are continually delivering to our pupils, so it was pleasing that this was reiterated in such a memorable way.



The schools work hard to make all learning memorable but now it is time for a rest, so we would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

