

Leadgate Primary School – Friday Newsletter

Caring, Sharing, Learning Together

Friday, 22nd September 2017

This day in history

1903 The ice cream cone is first patented

1955 Independent Television (ITV) began operating. Only six minutes of advertisements were allowed each hour and there was no Sunday morning TV permitted



Councillor Watts Stelling

It is with deepest regret and great sadness that we announce to the whole school that Councillor Watts Stelling has retired his post as Chair of Governors at the Primary School.

Since joining the Junior School Governors in December 2006 and the Infant School Governors in November 2004, Cllr Stelling has given his commitment and support to the whole school community, families, children, staff, other Governors, myself and all the previous head teachers before me. His work over all this time has continued to improve the quality of education for all our children.

His work will be continued by the school governing body and I know you will join me in thanking him for his unwavering service and dedication. We wish him the very best as he continues in his role as our local Councillor.

Calendar Dates

Dogs Trust Visit to Early Years - date to be confirmed
Tuesday 26th September - European Day of languages
Tuesday 26th September - Year 6 pizza Express Trip
Wednesday 27th September - Year 6 Taster day at the Academy
Friday 29th September - Macmillan Coffee Morning on Upper school site
Friday 29th September - NSPCC assembly Lower school 9.30, Upper School 10.30 (to be confirmed)

Monday 2nd October - Mini Police Visit to PSA
Monday 9th October - Start of Hospice Care week
Monday 9th October - Lower School Parents Evening (final appointments at 5.50pm)
Monday 9th October - Year 3 Learning Assembly 10.30am
Tuesday 10th October - Year 4 Learning Assembly 10.30am
Wednesday 11th October - Lower School Parents Evening (final appointments at 5.50pm)
Thursday 12th October - NSPCC parent Workshop 9am (to be confirmed)
Thursday 12th October - NSPCC Year 5 / Year 6 Workshop
Friday 13th October - Year 6 Learning Assembly 10.30am
Tuesday 17th October - Reception Class Assembly 9.10am
Tuesday 17th October - Upper School Parents Evening (final appointments at 5.50pm)
Wednesday 18th October - Year 2 Learning Assembly 9.10am, Nursery Harvest Service 11.15am
Thursday 19th October - Year 1 Learning assembly 9.10am, Year 5 Learning Assembly 10.30am
Thursday 19th October - Upper School Parents Evening (final appointments at 5.50pm)
Friday 20th October Harvest Festival Services in School - Lower School 9.10am, Upper School 10.30am

HALF TERM Monday 23rd school closed 1 week
Reopens Monday 30th October

Whole School Attendance

Year 1 = 94.8%
Year 2 = 96.6%
Year 3 = 95.4%
Year 4 = 89.0%
Year 5 = 98.3%
Year 6 = 95.0%



Congratulations

Well Done Year 2 for the best attendance in Lower School and Year 5 for the best attendance in Upper School.

Our school target is 96%.

Reminder – CONTACT FORMS

Please ensure you return your contact forms to school as soon as possible – this will enable us to update all emergency contact details.



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Building up to Parliament Week

Upper school had a visit from Gillian Bell who is an outreach worker for Parliament' Education Service. She raised the children's awareness of the work of Parliament and how debating and decision making is carried out by the House of Commons and House of Lords.



After School Clubs

After School Clubs began on Monday 18th of September. Parachute Games is only taking place in the second half term from Thursday 9th of November. Clubs finish promptly at 4pm at Lower School and 4.15pm at Upper School.

Dental Health

The school has applied for and successfully gained a small supply of toothpaste and tooth brushes from British Dental Association. To help you child get in the habit of good dental hygiene we will be passing these out to Reception and Year 1 children. Every child's pack will contain a sample of toothpaste , a tooth brush and a family Leaflet.



Reading Requests

If you have a spare afternoon from September, why not volunteer to listen to children read in school? We would greatly appreciate regular volunteers either parents or grandparents who could commit to a regular, weekly time slot. All volunteers must be DBS cleared please contact school if you are interested for further information.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

On Friday 29th September, Leadgate Primary School are taking part in the 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning', in order to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. You are invited to join us in the Upper Site school hall at 9:15, with a prompt finish at 10:15.

We would be very grateful if the children could bring donations of cakes, biscuits, pies etc in, in order to sell, preferably on the morning of the event.

Children are also welcome to buy cakes during the coffee morning and we would be very grateful for them to bring change in order to help with our float!

There will be tea and coffees available to enjoy with a slice of cake, and raffle prizes including donations from The Roxy Shop and The Deli Counter.



Funday at Leadgate Cricket Club in Memory of Paul McCourt

On Saturday 23rd September from 2.30pm to 6.30pm a family day will be held at Leadgate Cricket Club with lots for the kids to enjoy.

The field isn't available due to the ongoing drainage work, but there is lots planned for in and around the clubhouse. There will be:

Inflatable Bungee, Hoopla, Ping pong toss, Shooting gallery, Knock the cans down, Hook a duck, Netball shoot, Bowling (for the little ones), Hot dogs , Baby coconut shy, Disco, Garden games and Cake stall.

A fantastic Raffle (to be drawn at the evening event) with some great prizes.

Please come along and support this brilliant cause in memory of a great guy and in support of Bowel Cancer UK.