

# Leadgate Primary School – Friday Newsletter

*Caring, Sharing, Learning Together*

**Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

## This day in history

**1919** The first airline meals were served on a Handley-Page flight from London to Paris. They were pre-packed lunch boxes at 3 shillings each (15p)

**1911** A huge sonar exploration of Loch Ness failed to find the world famous monster.



## Whole School Attendance

Year 1 = 88.0%  
Year 2 = 90.5%  
Year 3 = 93.8%  
Year 4 = 99.3%  
Year 5 = 93.6%  
Year 6 = 95.0%



## Congratulations

Well Done Year 2 for the best attendance in Lower School and Year 4 for the best attendance in Upper School.

**Our school target is 97%.**

## Be part of Lumiere 2019

A series of creative workshops have been organised that will give an opportunity to contribute to the festival before it returns to Durham in November. As well as building excitement for Lumiere and spreading the joy of creativity, the Bottle Festoon workshops aim to raise awareness of plastic pollution.

There is a free session at Consett library on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> of October from 10am-12. Schoolchildren, community groups and families will turn used green and white plastic bottles into glittering, icicle-like chandeliers. Their finished creations will form part of Bottle Festoon, a spectacular art installation to be displayed at Lumiere in November.

## Year 3 to 6 Class Learning Assemblies

Thank you to everyone who attended our class assemblies this week. The children performed really well and we were very proud of all their hard work preparing for their assembly.

We are so pleased to see them share their learning with you and present themselves in such a confident manner.

We look forward to Key Stage 1 Class Learning Assemblies next week – don't forget to check the diary for each time and date.

## Sports Update

Congratulations to the Year 3 & 4 Indoor Athletics team who finished second in the Derwentside Competition at Consett Leisure Centre.

Well done to the Cross Country runners who completed at South Stanley. Well done to Lucy D, Jesamine C, Abbie E, Millie R and Brandon J.

## Early Years Stay and Play

Mrs Nesom in Reception and Mrs Bowe in Nursery would like to invite their parents to an open morning on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> of October from 9.00 am to 11.30am with the opportunity to stay and enjoy activities with your child and see them in their learning environment. We will be undertaking a focus upon reading and phonics and hope you pick up lots of ideas on how play at home can support your child's learning. This will take the place of the normal Class assembly.



## After School Clubs Cancellation

Lower School After School Clubs on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> (Active Kids & ICT Club) and Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> (Games Club & Dance Club) will be cancelled due to Parent's Evening.

Upper School After School Club will be cancelled on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> (Running Club).

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## Parking

Concerns have been raised about parking outside school, during drop off and pick up times. We are increasingly concerned about child safety and the needs of the local residents. It is an offence to park on the yellow zigzag lines outside the schools from 8am to 6pm and may incur a fine.

**Upper School** – Can we remind parents that the turning circle at the end school gates is not for parking. For the safety of the children leaving school please do not park on the zig zag yellow lines – this is an offence between 8am and 6pm. There is also an additional danger to children with car users manoeuvring around them trying to park on the footpaths. Additional free parking is available across the field at the community centre where your child can walk across the field to meet you. Thanks for your help in this matter.

**Lower School** – Can we remind parents to park considerately outside the school gates and not on the zigzag yellow lines.

Please be aware that registrations numbers will be taken and passed on to the relevant authorities which may incur a fine. Safeguarding our children is a priority and we ask that you have due respect for our neighbours when parking.

Parents may also register complaints over parking by emailing [parkingservices@durham.gov.uk](mailto:parkingservices@durham.gov.uk)



## Calendar Dates and Diary Information

All dates will be repeated in the weekly newsletter and may be subject to change.

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Lower School Parents Evening, 3.20 – 6.00pm

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Year 2 Class Assembly, 9.10am

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Upper & Lower School Parents Evening, 3.20 – 6.00pm

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Reception Stay and Play, 9.10am

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Upper School Parents Evening, 3.20 – 6.00pm

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Year 1 Assembly, 9.10am

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Halloween Disco Upper School, 3.15 – 4.45pm

### October Half Term Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November – Flu Immunisations

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Upper School Christmas Fayre, 2.00pm

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Nursery / Reception Christmas Assembly, 9.10am

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Church Christmas Service 10.30am at St Ives Church Leadgate

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Lower School Christmas Assembly

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Lower School Christmas Party

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Upper School Christmas Assembly

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Upper School Christmas Disco

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Last Day of Term

### Christmas Holidays Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January