

# Leadgate Primary School – Friday Newsletter

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**Friday, November 11th 2016**

## This day in history

- 1918 World War I ends
- 1493 Explorer Christopher Columbus discovers Saba



## Whole School Attendance

Year 1 = 75.0 %  
Year 2 = 98.8%  
Year 3 = 94.3%  
Year 4 = 97.0%  
Year 5 = 96.8%  
Year 6 = 97.5%



## Congratulations

Well Done Year 2 for the best attendance in Lower School and Year 6 for the best attendance in Upper School.

## Diary Dates

- Tuesday 15th November** Reception Class Assembly 9.10
- Tuesday 15th November** Year 4 Class Assembly 10.30
- Wednesday 16th November** Year 1 Class Assembly 9.10
- Thursday 17th November** Year 2 Class Assembly 9.10
- Thursday 17th November** Year 6 Class Assembly 10.30
- Friday 18th November** Children in Need Non Uniform Day  
£1 donation
- Tuesday 29th November** Year 1 Visit to Beamish
- Wednesday 30th November** 2 Mini Police visit to Police Headquarters to decorate Christmas tree
- Friday 9th December** Year 2 Visit to Centre for Life – Science

## Provisional Dates

- Tuesday 6th December** Joint Schools Christmas Church Service 10am
- Thursday 8th December** Whole School Christmas Carol Service
- Thursday 8th December** School Christmas Fayre – Upper School Site
- Tuesday 13th December** Nursery Christmas Coffee Morning
- Year 1 visit to the Pantomime
- Tuesday 14th December** Lower School Christmas Coffee Morning
- Year 3 visit to the Pantomime
- Tuesday 15th December** Upper School Christmas Coffee Morning
- Friday 16th December** Christmas Jumper Day

## E Cadets



To celebrate anti bullying week next week we are proud to announce we've become an eCadet school. The eCadets is an award winning programme which trains, empowers and supports a team of pupils to keep their friends safe online.

The programme is run by a team of former police officers and there is also the opportunity for every other child at the school to benefit and get involved through Bubble – the 100% safe social platform which is run and moderated by eCadets HQ and enables children to safely engage with children the same year group age as themselves in complete safety.

If you'd like to know more please visit: <https://ecadet.zone> or check out their Twitter account: @ecadets

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## **PARENTS – Useful Contacts**

**Leadgate Junior School – 01207 610361**

**Press 1 to report an absence**

**Press 2 for Lower School Office**

**Press 3 for Upper School Office**

**Leadgate Surgery - 01207 583555**

**Don't forget to ask for an appointment card**

**Leadgate Pharmacy - 01207 502774**

**Consett One Point - 03000 261 121**

**101 - The police non-emergency number**

## **Coding Club**

On Monday 21<sup>st</sup> of November Coding Club will have a special visitor to do some Robotics training with the children. As this training will take a little longer Coding Club will finish at 4.30pm instead of 4.15pm. The later finish is just for this one session.



## **Children in Need**

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> of November we will be supporting Children in Need by having a non-uniform day. Please donate £1 to help us fundraise for this great cause. Thanks



## **New Text Service**

We are introducing a new service - 'School Gateway'. This means that you will be able to communicate via the School Gateway smartphone app or website.

It's quick and easy to activate your School Gateway account. All you need are your email address or mobile number that school holds on record for you. If you have a smartphone, please download School Gateway free from your app store (Android and iPhone). The app shows the same information as the website PLUS it saves the school money when we send you a text message and you will be able to message us through the app rather than using your text messaging allowance. You can also use the website [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com) and click on 'New User'. You'll receive a text message with a PIN number. Use this PIN to log into School Gateway. We have sent out a new contact pack and would ask you to complete this and return it school as soon as possible. Please include an email address if you have one.

We hope that you will find School Gateway to be a fast and easy way to communicate with school. If you need any help setting up the app please contact the office and we would be happy to help.

## **Flu vaccination in Years 1, 2 and 3**

All children in England in school years 1, 2 and 3 are now eligible for seasonal flu vaccination this autumn via a school based programme.

The vaccine itself is called Fluenz Tetra<sup>®</sup> and is given as a nasal spray. This vaccine does not involve an injection. The advantages of this vaccine over the traditional injected flu vaccine are that it is more effective in children and more acceptable to them. HDFT will shortly provide comprehensive information to all parents/guardians and obtain written consent.

Parents will not be required to be present at the vaccination session, but parents can request to attend.

## **Fruit and Milk**

**Both Upper and Lower school now provide fruit and milk to all pupils.**

