Leadgate Primary School – Friday Newsletter

Caring, Sharing, Learning Together

Friday, 7th September 2018

This day in history

<u>1813</u> The nickname "Uncle Sam" was first used as a symbolic reference to the United States. The reference appeared in an editorial in the New York's Troy Post.

<u>1838</u> Grace Darling and her father rescued the crew of the Forfarshire, a steamer wrecked off the Northumberland coast





Welcome Back

May I take this opportunity to welcome everyone back to school and hope that you have all had a safe and enjoyable summer holiday. We are all looking forward to another exciting year ahead with many new experiences, visits and visitors.

The children have settled into their new classes and are getting to know their new teacher and new routines. May I offer a particular welcome to all our new pupils and families – should you have any questions about our school routines please don't hesitate to contact the office.

Thank you to all parents for following the new routines for children starting back at school.

We would also like to welcome Mrs Pedro , our new Year 1 Teacher, and Mrs Bowe, our new Nursery Teacher .

PE Kits

PE kits should be sent in on a Monday and stay in school until Friday as we sometimes run other activities during the week that may require a PE kit.



School Uniform

School Uniform is available online from School Trends. Go to the Parents Ordering Section and click on L on the alphabet bar, scroll down to find Leadgate Primary School and click on the logo to view the uniform options.

www.schooltrends.co.uk

A big thank you to everyone for returning to school looking so smart and proud in their school uniform. If you have any queries on school uniform please contact the office and check the school website.

Whole School Attendance

Year 1 = 100% Year 2 = 98.9% Year 3 = 97.3% Year 4 = 98.0% Year 5 = 94.4% Year 6 = 97.8%



Congratulations

Well Done Year 1 for the best attendance in Lower School and Year 4 for the best attendance in Upper School.

Our school target is 96%.

Online Safety Update

Following a football-filled summer, and with over 20 million players in the current season of FIFA, the National Online Safety Team have created a free guide for parents and carers on the nation's favourite online football game.

This free guide for parents & carers covers what you need to know about the game to help safeguard your child(ren) from potential online risks including; online payments, in-game chat, addiction, fake accounts and more.

The FIFA guide for parents & carers is available here here:

https://twitter.com/natonlinesafety/status/1037 317637339054081

School Meals

We ask that you let us know at the beginning of term whether your child is going to take school dinners or have a packed lunch. School meals for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are provided under the Universal free school meals, however the costs for Upper school pupils is £2.05 per day payable on Monday. Please note the increase in price. Meals for a week will now be £10.25.

If your circumstances change and you think may be eligible for free school meals please contact the school office.

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Calendar Dates and Diary Information

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

Tuesday 4th September – First Day

Tuesday 9th October – Year 3 Class Assembly, 9.10am

Wednesday 10th October – New Nursery Starters First Day

Wednesday 10th October – Year 4 Class Assembly, 9.10am

Thursday 11th October – Year 5 Class Assembly, 9.10am

Friday 12th October – Year 6 Class Assembly, 9.10am

Tuesday 16th October – Year 2 Class Assembly, 9.10am

Tuesday 16th October – Lower School Parents Evening, 3.20 – 6.00pm

Wednesday 17th October – Year 1 Class Assembly, 9.10am

Wednesday 17th October – Upper & Lower School Parents Evening, 3.20 – 6.00pm

Thursday 18th October – Reception Class Assembly, 9.10am

Thursday 18th October – Upper School Parents Evening, 3.20 – 6.00pm

Friday 19th October – Harvest Assembly, 10.30am (no parents to attend)

October Half Term Friday 19th October – Monday 29th October

Tuesday 30th October – Halloween Disco Upper School, 3.30 – 4.45pm

Friday 6th December – Upper School X-Mas Fayre, 2.00pm

Wednesday 12th December – Nursery / Reception Assembly, 9.00am

Thursday 13th December – KS1 Assembly, 9.30am

Tuesday 18th December – Christmas Dinner / Jumper Day

Wednesday 19th December – Upper School Christmas Assembly

Thursday 20th December – Christmas Disco

Thursday 20th December – Church Service, 9.00am TBC

Thursday 20th December – Last Day of Term

Christmas Holidays Thursday 20th December – Monday 7th January