Leadgate Primary School – Friday Newsletter

Caring, Sharing, Learning Together

Friday, 8th October 2021

This day in history

<u>1908</u> The Wind In The Willows, Kenneth Grahame's classic children's book, was first published. It has never been out of print in its entire history.

Children Showing COVID19 Symptoms

Can I remind all parents that if your child is showing COVID19 Symptoms or is sent home showing symptoms, they must take a PCR test before returning to school. Keeping cases out of school not only protects everyone but reduces the need to return to bubbles, class closures and remote learning.





Whole School Attendance

Year 1 = 95.8% Year 2 = 94.5% Year 3 = 95.7% Year 4 = 94.4% Year 5 = 92.0% Year 6 = 92.5%



Congratulations

Well Done Year 1 for the best attendance in Lower School and Year 3 for the best attendance in Upper School.

Our school target is 97%.

School Photographs with Phototronics

I can now confirm that this years school photographs will go ahead on Friday 26th November. This also includes Family group photos. Details on organisation will follow in due course.

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Reception

From Monday there will be new arrangements for dropping off in the morning and picking up after school. All Reception children will enter and leave the building via the reception door accessed from the nursery play yard attached to the main school yard. Adults and children will no longer access reception through the school car park. I ask that all parents collecting and dropping off wait outside the coloured fence to hand over and collect their child(ren). Staff will line up the class and walk all children out to the gate for collection. When dropping off a member of staff will be at the fence gate to collect and pass your child over to staff waiting at the reception door. Thank you for your assistance with this.

Year 1 Community Litter Pick

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Year 1 will be acting like superheroes and improving our community with a Super Hero litter pick on Friday 22nd October on the afternoon dressed in Superhero costumes! Mrs Bowe will remind everyone nearer the date to ensure they have appropriate clothing

Year 1 and Year 2

Can I remind all parents / carers that all children from Year 1 and 2 are welcome to join our Breakfast with a Book session from 8.30 every morning on Lower School site. Simply arrive at the main school reception door.

Autumn Term Parents Evenings

This term Parent Evenings will be on Monday 8th Tuesday 9th November for all classes except Year 3 which will be on Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th due to diary commitments. We will remain with remote meetings over telephone. Can you please ensure that your contact details are up to date.

You can contact Upper School directly on 01207 610351.

You can contact Lower School directly on 01207 610353.

Normal text messages will be sent nearer the time to arrange an appropriate time.

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FOREST SCHOOL PLANNER 2021-2022

Year Group Session Allocation	Autumn	Spring	Summer
EYFS (8 1hr sessions)	6th Oct 17 th Nov	17 th Jan	2 nd May 9 th May
Year 1 & 2 (12 1 hr session)	22 nd / 29 th Sept	12 th / 19 th Jan	4 th / 11 th May
	3 rd /10 th Nov	2 nd /9 th March	8/15 th June
Year 3 & 4 (11 1hr sessions)	13 th Oct	26 th Jan 2 nd Feb	18/25 th May
	24Nov / 1 st Dec	16 th / 23 rd Mar	22 nd / 29 th June
Year 5 & 6 (10 1hr session)	20 th Oct	9 th / 16 th Feb	27 th Apr
	8 th & 15 th Dec	30 th Mar 6 th April	6 th / 13 th July

Please note dates for sessions may change as other dates are confirmed within the school diary. Mrs Bowe will notify parents / carers of any date changes via Class Dojo as they come up. Please send your child in to school with wellies and coat as they will be outside.

Reception Class Visit to Hamsterley Forest

As part of Reception class topic this term, they will be visiting Hamsterley Forest – exploring nature trails and taking part in forest workshops. They will learn about minibeasts and explore what's living in the woodland around them.

Mrs Pedro will be putting out a reminder about clothing etc. nearer the time, on Class Dojo.



Reminder – Water bottles

A gentle reminder to all parents that if children are bringing in their own water bottles they should only contain water or sugar free squash only. Other drinks are high in sugar and when sipped through out the day have a drastic impact on children's dental health.



Magic Breakfast Holiday breakfast Support

I am pleased to announce that we have signed up with Magic Breakfast to provide holiday breakfast support to our families over the longer holidays (Christmas, Easter and Summer). They hope to cover with home deliveries again, and they will confirm this with us within a couple of weeks. Once again it is an opt in programme and I will update all families nearer to the Christmas holiday period.

Working with Magic Breakfast we are also trialling deliveries of milk from Arla for breakfast club along with our new Reading Champions in year 6. Every 2 weeks the reading champions are meeting with 2 business women with a passion for reading to find out about reading our school and how they can support increasing our reading for fun and enjoyment.

magic breakfast fuel for learning