## Leadgate Primary School – Friday Newsletter

# Caring, Sharing, Learning Together

### Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022 This day in history

**<u>421</u>** Friday at 12 PM - city of Venice founded.

<u>**1669</u>** Mount Etna in Sicily erupts, destroying Nicolosi, killing 20,000.</u>

**<u>1807</u>** British Parliament <u>abolishes</u> <u>slave</u> trade throughout the British Empire.

<u>**1961</u>** Sputnik 10 carries a dog into Earth orbit; It carried a dummy astronaut and the dog Zvezdochka ("little star"), later recovered.</u>

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### Whole School Attendance

Reception = 91.7% Year 1 = 96.6% Year 2 = 94.0% Year 3 = 99.3% Year 4 = 96.0% Year 5 = 85.0% Year 6 = 93.0%



#### 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%.

Weekly Primary Attendance for the North East (14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> March) = 93.5% National Primary Attendance = 92.1% Leadgate Primary (14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> March) = 86.3%

#### **Current COVID Update**

We currently have 6 reported positive cases of COVID 19 within the school community, including Staff, and a further 1 suspected cases awaiting confirmation. These are currently clustered predominantly around Reception Class and ask that parents be extra vigilant in order to reduce the risk of reintroducing any further restrictions or 'closures'. If your child is showing any signs or symptoms they must take a PCR test before returning to school. And please remember to inform us of any positive cases.

#### **Sickness**

Further to the Tummy bug that has also hit many children and families over the last 2 weeks we also have our first case of Scarlet Fever on Lower school site. Given the number of sibling links across both sites can I ask that parents across both sites remain vigilant to the signs and symptoms.

#### Check if you have Scarlet Fever – NHS Guidance

The first signs of scarlet fever can be flu-like symptoms, including a high temperature, a sore throat and swollen neck glands (a large lump on the side of your neck).

A rash appears 12 to 48 hours later. It looks looks like small, raised bumps and starts on the chest and tummy, then spreads. The rash makes your skin feel rough, like sandpaper. Scarlet fever is very easily spread. Check with a GP before you go in. They may suggest a phone consultation. Scarlet fever lasts for around 1 week.

You can spread scarlet fever to other people up to 6 days before you get symptoms until 24 hours after you take your 1st dose of antibiotics. If you do not take antibiotics, you can spread the infection for 2 to 3 weeks after your symptoms start.

#### Important

If you or your child has scarlet fever, stay away from nursery, school or work for 24 hours after you take the 1st dose of antibiotics.

**School Dates** 

School Closes for Easter on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022 and reopens on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022



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Dance and Theatre Club for Year 1 and Year 2 (see Dojo Message) -Tuesday After School 3pm - 3.45pm **Tuesday 29th March Tuesday 5th April** 

Every Thursday afternoon Year 5 Swimming until the end of the term

Every Wednesday until the end of the Year - Year 3 and Year 4 Ukulele Instrument Tuition

Every Wednesday until the end of this term – Taekwondo Instruction for Years 3 – 6, Lower school in the **Summer Term** 

Mothers Day – Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March

Year 1 Washington Wetlands trip – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April now reorganised for Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April

Year 2 Alnwick Castle Trip – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April

Year 4 Vikings Online Museum – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April

Year 5 academy information evening – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April (TBC)

In addition, Forest Schools has been reinstated on both sites – messages will come out on class dojo when children need outdoor footwear and coats.

Extra dates will be added once trips, visits and visitors have confirmed

# The bread and butter thing.

#### Introducing The Bread and Butter Thing



ave over £20 a week on your shopping \* New hub opening: 2 pm, Wednesday 13 April At The Eden Miners Centre, Watling Street, Leadgate, County Durham, United Kingdom, DH8 6DP



\* Get your first order free. The Bread and Butter Thing offers weekly groceries at a fraction of high street prices. We're opening our new Eden Minors Hub at The Eden Miners Centre on Wednesday 13th April.

For £7.50 we offer roughly £35 worth of food each week including fresh fruit and veg, chilled food for the fridge and cupboard staples such as pasta and cereal. We get our supplies from the stuff that you hear about in the news going to waste: it comes from supermarkets, factories and farms.

The food changes daily meaning your bags will change from week to week. Most members tell us that they collect food from TBBT and then 'top up' from the supermarket once they have seen what we provide.

As the bags vary from day to day, some weeks the savings will be greater than others. However, you will always be paying much less than in the shops and have new foods to try. Very occasionally, if food supplies that day are low, we will not have enough for the 3 bags. In this case, we will lower the price. We want you to feel we are making a difference to your weekly food bills.

Give us a try for free. There is no commitment. If you want an order just reply to the weekly text you receive on the day you get it.

It's really easy to signup to TBBT...

Step 1 - Text 07860 063304 with your full name, postcode, and the name of the hub you will be collecting from: Eden Miners

Step 2 - Select the size of order you want to receive: Family - £7.50 (this is our top seller). We also offer other sizes - Individual - £4, or Large Family - £15.

Step 3 - We'll send you a text every Monday to see if you want an order. Just reply "YES" by 10:00AM the next day. We'll deliver your order to Eden Miners on Wednesdays at 2pm

Step 4 -Collect and pay for your goods from Eden Miners Centre, Leadgate (Don't forget - someone can collect on your behalf if you can't make it and we also accept Healthy Start Vouchers).



Our weekly bags are made up of surplus food from supermarkets, food manufacturers and farmers. We never know what we're going to get from day to day, which means each week your bag of food will be different.

But it is always quality, fresh produce. You will probably need to top up from the shops as well, but our food will go a long way to helping will help you feed your family affordably.

Surplus food happens for lots of reasons - sometimes there is a fault with the packaging or there may just be too much of it for the supermarkets to handle.

Some of our food is beyond its BEST BEFORE date BUT that doesn't mean that you can't eat it. With proper storage - for instance in its original packaging and sealed with a clip or in an airtight container - lots of foodstuffs can be eaten long after their best before date, including:

- Crisps can still be edible for a good month after their best before deadline
- Biscuits and cereals can last for another six months Baked beans and other tinned goods can last in your store cupboard
- for a whole year, as can sweets and bottled pasta sauce And don't throw away that packet of dried pasta that you've found at
- the back of a cupboard. If stored correctly, it should still be safe to eat around three years after its best before date has expired.

We will never provide food that is after its USE BY date because this is about food safety, not food quality. You can eat food on its USE BY date or, if you have a freezer, pop it in. Just make sure you make a note of how long it will be freezer safe and how to defrost.

You can find out more about our food and our work on our website:

















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you can be!

Entries (for Year 3, 4, 5, 6) brought to school on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April (including any parent / carer entries) Judging Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April All entries returned home Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April



Children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will make their eggs in School as part of the competition. Please can all parents/carers provide a hard-boiled egg on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April.