Leadgate Primary School – Friday Newsletter

Caring, Sharing, Learning Together

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Friday, 11th February 2022 This day in history

<u>1990</u> Nelson Mandela released after 27 years imprisonment in South Africa

<u>1858</u> First vision of the Virgin Mary to 14-year-old Bernadette of Lourdes, France

<u>1531</u> Henry VIII is recognized as the supreme head of the Church of England

Benevolent Fund Grants for School Shoes and Coats

With Winter now here we would like remind parents to of the available grant for shoes and coats. The School Benevolent Fund runs across all schools in County Durham. This is a registered charity, which offers a grant towards shoes and coats for school pupils. A grant of up to £35.00 can be awarded towards a winter coat and up to £35.00 for a pair of shoes depending on parents/guardians meeting a number of criteria.

To apply for the school benevolent fund, go to http://www.durham.gov.uk/schoolbenevolentfund

Mental Health Week

This year's theme is 'GROWING TOGETHER.' And this week we have had a range of activities. In school, the children have had the opportunity to talk about 'Growing' and how they can support each other to continue to grow. Many have also taken part in a variety of age appropriate activities.

Final After School sports club - Upper school

Tuesday 15th - Year 3 and 4 Football – finishing at 4.15pm

Thursday 17th - Year 5 and 6 Dodgeball – finishing at 4.15pm

Whole School Attendance

Year 1 = 95.7% Year 2 = 96.8% Year 3 = 93.9% Year 4 = 96.7% Year 5 = 98.1% Year 6 = 87.9%



Congratulations

Well Done Year 2 for the best attendance in Lower School and Year 5 for the best attendance in Upper School.

Our school target is 97%. Last Weeks National Primary School Attendance was : 91.5% And our school was 91.9%

Current COVID Update

We currently have only 3 positive cases of COVID 19 within the school community. A huge thank you to everyone for continuing to test and keeping children off at the first signs of new symptoms and stopping the spread. Don't forget to inform us of any positive cases.

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School Traffic Reminder

Can I remind all drivers collecting and dropping off at school to remain vigilant for children crossing the roads at the start and end of the day – take extra care to drive safely and slowly at these pinch points – especially at the rear of upper school. Please remind children to exit cars on the pavement side of the car and not the road side as they will be unaware of approaching traffic.

School Dates School closes Friday 18th February for Half Term and reopens Monday 28th February.

School Closes for Easter on Friday 8th April 2022 and reopens on Monday 25th April 2022