



Lessness Heath Primary School

Newsletter

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Respect Belonging Co-operation Honesty Perseverance Responsibility

Dear Parents/Carers,

We feel that it is very important that children come in to school on time as it puts your child in a positive frame of mind to make the most of the day. Punctuality and good attendance are not only key to your child's learning and social wellbeing at school, it sets them up for the rules expected at their future college or workplace.

Children who arrive late not only miss out on the vital input at the start of lessons, but also the valuable chance to say hello and catch up with friends.

Top tips for arriving by 8.50am:

- Make sure your child has a good bedtime routine so that they have plenty of rest and do not struggle to wake up in the morning.
- Ensure homework is completed in the evening, no last minute morning rushing!
- Make sure uniform and bags are set out and ready to go.
- Set up for breakfast the night before.
- Allow plenty of time for travel.
- Let a member of staff know if you are finding it difficult, we are always happy to help!

If your child is just 10 minutes a day late for school, this adds up to approximately 8 whole days of missed learning time over one school year!

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Kate O'Connor
Head teacher

Nursery Open Days

We will be holding two open mornings for any children who will be nursery school age in September. Our Nursery will open its doors to visitors on Wednesday 1st March and Wednesday 22nd March at 10am. We look forward to seeing parents with nursery age children. Don't forget to spread the word!

Plea for help from Mrs Harding

We are wondering if any families have a spare working digital camera they do not use which we could have at school. In the ever-growing digital age, you may have spare digital cameras lying around and if you do we would be able to use them in school. The children use digital cameras in their learning.



Any donations would be much appreciated and the office will gladly take the cameras from you.

Speed stacking competition at Mayplace Primary School – Inter Trust Sports



George from Heron class said it was great to be chosen to have fun at speed stacks with other children.
Elizabeth for Dove said I have never done speed stacking before and now I know how to do it.
Hayden from Nightingale said it was great to practise speed stacking

Year 2 SATs meeting

A reminder to all parents of children in Year 2, there is a meeting on Friday 27th January at 2pm. Important information will be shared at the meeting regarding the Year 2 tests the children will be sitting in May. We look forward to seeing you all there!



Whilst on the look-out for exciting learning and activities happening around the school, we have heard lots of positive feedback regarding assemblies that both KS1 and KS2 have participated in. Last week, all children were part of a fantastic music assembly, in which they learnt about percussion and musical instruments as well as listening to some great live music. One pupil in Year 4 told us, "It was fun to learn about the different types of percussion instruments as well as get a chance to listen to them." Miss Kanu and Swallow class (Year 5) also led an inspiring assembly in commemoration of Martin Luther King Day. During the assembly, they sang a thought-provoking song, read out extracts from his famous 'I Have a Dream' speech and discussed the values that he taught through his example, particularly co-operation (one of our school values). We also have weekly assemblies related to our school values, which help us to reflect and promote these during the school day and at home.

Watch out for next week when we have more to report... including Reception's visit from the Fire Brigade!

Written by the Year 6 Communication Leaders



Stay and play in Reception and Nursery is Wednesday at 9am

Parent are invited to come in and spend time with their children in their classroom. This is a great chance to look through your child's learning journey and spend time finding out what your child does all day! Please come along and join the fun! Please come in through the main office.

Weekly attendance

Congratulations to Kingfisher in KS1 and Eagle in KS2 for getting the highest attendance this week.

Registration Group	Percentage Attendance
Miss Clarke AM	92.9
Miss Clark PM	93.8
Miss Baker	99.1
Miss Ransom	99.1
Miss Bennett	88.8
Miss Hunt	100
Miss Koonkoon	96.7
Mr Liddiard	97.1
Miss Nwko	93.1
Mrs Tongue	95.4
Mr Butler	97.9
Mrs Jensen	99.1
Miss Thorpe	100
Miss Bolton	95.4
Miss Watt	97.8
Mrs Sadler	97.4
Mrs Adedoyin	96.6
Mrs Hubbard	97
Mrs Adepetun	84.4
Miss Kanu	98.3
Miss Steele	98.2
Mrs Handley	99.1
Miss Butler	97.2

The class who gets the best attendance in Nursery or Reception each week will be rewarded by having the teddy in their class.

Congratulations to Miss Baker in Gosling and Miss Ransom in Cygnet



Parent and Toddler Musical Morning

With Melody Irlam

Every Wednesday

9-9.30am

In the school hall

For sounds, songs, smiles and silliness!

**NEW
starting
1/2/17**

This fun group aims to boost children's confidence, help with social skills, prepare them for nursery and improve speech and language

Parents and siblings (age 1-3 years) of children at Lessness Welcome