

# Loatlands News

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## Dates for your Diary

### March

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Parents Evening 3.30-5.30pm  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Sport Relief Day 'Get your Kit on'  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> KS1 Cross Country Event  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> KS2 Cross Country Event  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Year 2 SATS information session 3.30pm-4.00pm  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> KS2 Swimming Gala  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Reception – Lion Learners Workshop  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Year 4/5 Play Performance 9.30am and 2pm  
**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Year 5 African Drumming Performance - 9am**  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Year 4/5 Play Performance 6pm  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Y5/6 High Fives Netball Competition  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Great Fire of London Workshop

### April

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Year 4 Victorian Day**  
Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Easter Bonnet Parade 1.30pm / Egg Rolling competition  
Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> Year 4 Croft Farm Residential  
Monday 27<sup>th</sup> KS2 Dodgeball Event

### May

Year 2 SATS Month  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> Year 6 SATS – all children MUST be in school  
**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> Air Ambulance Mufti Day (Change of Date)**

### June

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Y3 Viking Workshop  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Year 1 Phonics Screening all week  
Mon 8<sup>th</sup> – Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Year 5 Homefront Workshop

### July

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> Year 4 Co-op Visit**  
**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Transition Day**

### Phase 1

Years R and 1

### Phase 2

Years 2 and 3

### Phase 3

Years 4, 5 and 6



## Sports Relief 'Get your kit on' Day

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March, all children are invited to join our Sports Relief day and wear any sporting outfit such as football, gymnastics or Karate kit for a suggested donation of £1. Each class will also take part in a sporting event throughout the day to celebrate keeping active.



## "Pirates versus Mermaids" Year 4 and 5 Performance

Years 4 and 5 are currently preparing for their performances of 'Pirates Versus Mermaids' that will be taking place on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am and 2pm, which is a family friendly performance, and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm. All children will need to attend all three performances (including the evening one) for the production to be a success. Tickets are available to purchase via your child's SchoolMoney account.

Tickets will only be issued once payment is received and the reply slip to indicate which performances are required is returned.

### Change of date

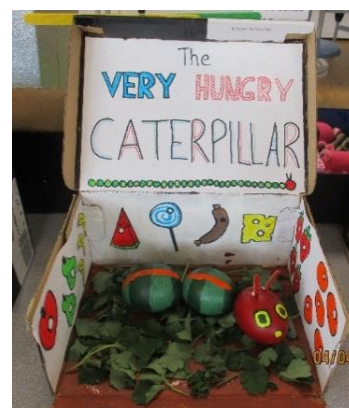
Please note the Air Ambulance Mufti day has been changed from Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

### Easter Celebrations

We will be celebrating Easter with our two traditional Easter activities for each key stage:

On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 1.30pm, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children will go out on our Easter Bonnet parade. The children will need a decorated hat to wear. Bonnets can be either made at home or purchased very cheaply from shops e.g. Poundland. The parade leads round the local area, and children also visit the elderly residents of Cheaney Court and Marlow House as well as our nursery. We would love to see parents and grandparents lining the route to wave at the children.

On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, the children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 are able to enter our decorated egg box competition. To demonstrate our value of Curiosity, find out about a historical figure and use this as a theme to decorate your egg box (the maximum dimensions for the box are 30cm x 30cm x 30cm)



There will be prizes for the best designs. We will hold a parents viewing at 9.00-9.15am in the Studio on Friday morning.

In the afternoon on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, the KS2 children will have a fun competition rolling their eggs down the bank in the playground. Please ensure all eggs are hard-boiled.

### Parent 'Stay and Read' Session

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March - Dahl**

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March - Cowell**

The 'stay and read' session will begin at 9am and will finish at 9.25am. Pre-school aged children are welcome to come to the sessions – we will have a special library area for parents who bring pre-schoolers with a range of books and toys suitable for younger children.

If you wish to attend a 'stay and read' session then you just need to enter the school via the main entrance after dropping off your child/children as usual. The class whose turn it is will then make their way to the library after the register and then collect you from the office. We hope you are able to join your child for their 'stay and read' session.

### Year 5 Parents

Year 5 have been taking part in an African Drumming workshop every Thursday morning. To celebrate the end of these lessons, Year 5 would like to invite parents to attend a performance on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 9.30am in the Hall. This will give the children the opportunity to show you what they have been learning during these sessions. We hope you will be able to join us.



### Parents Evening

Thank you to all the parents who attended Parents Evening on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March. This is a valuable opportunity for parents and teachers to work together to help support children's learning. We look forward to welcoming parents on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March.

### Phase 2 Curriculum overview

Please see the table below for the Phase 2 Curriculum overview for Term 4.

Year Group – Term 4	English Focus	Maths Focus	Topic Focus
<b>Year 2</b> <b>Great Fire of London</b>	<b>Quality Text</b> Vlad and the Great Fire of London  Types of Writing Changing parts of a story. Continuing a story in a different setting.	<b>Number</b> 4 operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication & division) Fractions  Measure	<b>History</b> Great Fire of London  <b>Science</b> Materials
<b>Year 3</b> <b>Ancient Greeks</b>	<b>Quality Text</b> The Ancient Greeks  <b>Types of Writing</b> Non-Chronological report Poetry	<b>Number</b> Statistics Addition & Subtraction Division	<b>History</b> Greek gods and goddesses, Olympics  <b>Science</b> Plants

### **Attendance Award**

w/e 6<sup>th</sup> March

Well done to

**Ahlberg and Wilson**

classes for achieving **100%** attendance

### Letters sent/emailed home

Year 4 and 5 - Performance Ticket letter

Year 6 - Pledge to bake

Year 3,4,5 and 6 - Cross Country Event (named children)

Year 1 and 2 - Cross Country Event (named children)

Year 4 – Victorian Day



### Reminders

#### **Reception Lion Learners Workshop**

A reminder that a contribution of £3.00 is due by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March

#### **Year 2 Great Fire of London Workshop**

A reminder that a contribution of £9.00 is due by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March

Polite reminder that if we do not receive enough contributions for the workshop then it will sadly have to be cancelled. If you have any issues or difficulties with making payments please contact the school office.

## Nursery News



Have you noticed our beautiful Spring flowers in our allotment at the front of nursery? We planted them in November and have been waiting patiently for them to grow, we are now excited about growing lots more this year. This week we have started chitting our potatoes ready for planting in a few weeks' time. We've planted sunflower seeds and have read Jasper's beanstalk at group time. Our sign of the week was flower.

We have now finished counting the money from our cake/toy sale and we are very excited to tell you that we have raised £200! Thank you so much to everyone involved, what a wonderful nursery community we have. The money will be used to buy new waterproofs for Forest School, which will provide huge benefit to the children's learning.

We have also celebrated World Book Day by reading lots of lovely stories. We were very lucky to have received a very special donation of books from Wacoal Europe Ltd and would like to thank them for their generosity; we will share more about the books next week.

How can you help at home?

Look for signs of Spring on your way to school or go for a walk in the woods and see what you can find.

### Important Dates

Every Friday - We would love you to join us for Sing-a-long at 11.20am and 3.20pm

Friday 13th March - Sports Relief 'Get your Kit on', wear your sports kit and donate £1.

Friday 20th March - Mother's Day Stay and Play for all our lovely mums, step mums, aunties, nannies, grandmas, childminders or dads! Come and play on 10.30 - 11.30am and 2.30 - 3.30pm.

# Loatland's Legends

Congratulations to former pupil Lola who went to Crawley last weekend with her Cheerleading Club, TCA Cheer & Tumble.

Lola competed in the international level 1 category, where the squad, captained by Lola were delighted to win their division taking not just 1st place, but they were also the Grand Champions of the whole competition, meaning the highest score of the day, hitting zero (no deductions)

Next stop Barcelona where Lola will compete with TCA at an international competition in June this year.

Well done Lola



## LOATLANDS NURSERY Open Mornings

**Tuesday 10th March 9.30am –10.30am**

**Tuesday 24th March 9.30am –10.30am**

**Come and take a tour of our fantastic teacher-led nursery.**

It is an opportunity to meet some of our highly qualified and caring team, see our beautiful indoor and outdoor spaces and learn about our approach to child-led learning.



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Registrations now being taken for children who were born between 1st September 2016 - 31st August 2017 and children born between 1st September 2017 - 31st August 2018

Children born between 1 September 2018 – 31 August 2019 can be registered from 1st July 2020

<u>2019 – 2020 Term dates</u>			
<b>Term 3</b>			
	Training Day	Friday 3 January 2020	
Term starts		Monday 6 January 2020	
Term ends		Thursday 13 February	
	Training Day	Friday 14 February	
<b>Term 4</b>			
Term starts		Monday 24 February	
Term ends		Friday 3 April	
<b>Term 5</b>			
Term starts		Monday 20 April	
(Bank holiday		Friday 8 May)	
Term ends		Friday 22 May	
<b>Term 6</b>			
Term starts		Monday 1 June	
Term ends		Friday 17 July	

<u>2020 – 2021 Term dates</u>			
<b>Term 1</b>			
	Training Day	Tuesday	1 September 2020
	Training Day	Wednesday	2 September 2020
Term starts		Thursday	3 September
Term ends		Friday	16 October
<b>Term 2</b>			
Term starts		Monday	2 November
Term ends		Friday	18 December
	Training Day	Monday	21 December
<b>Term 3</b>			
Term starts		Monday	4 January 2021
Term ends		Thursday	11 February
	Training Day	Friday	12 February
<b>Term 4</b>			
Term starts		Monday	22 February
Term ends		Friday	26 March
<b>Term 5</b>			
Term starts		Monday	12 April
Term ends		Friday	28 May
<b>Term 6</b>			
Term starts		Monday	7 June
Term ends		Friday	23 July
	Training Day	Monday	26 July