

Loatlands Edition



Respect, Resilience and Curiosity

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Dates for your Diary

Please follow the link below for the yearly planner

<https://loatlandsprimary.net/files/91/Letters-Home/904/Year-Planner-2022-23.pdf>

PLEASE NOTE THERE ARE AMENDMENTS TO THIS

Gas works

We have been notified by Cadent that they will be carrying out essential gas works by the school from 16th January to the 20th January and part of Harrington Road will be closed. Please take this into consideration when travelling to school.

Holidays during school time

The Trust's policy is not to authorise holidays during term time.

When requesting an absence during term time parents/carers are requested to consider the following:

- By missing lessons will my child fall behind or fail to make progress?
- Will missing lessons interfere with preparation for national tests in Yr2 & 6 or with GCSE / A Level study?
- Has my child missed lessons during the school term due to ill health or other absences?

Penalty Notice

A Penalty Notice (PN) may be issued for 10 sessions of unauthorised absence within a 6 week period. This may include 5 consecutive school days (which may be either side of any school holiday) of unauthorised absence, which could include a term time absence or holiday. If this request is for 5 or more school days continuous leave and is not authorised it will automatically be referred to the Education Entitlement Service for a Fixed Penalty Notice to be issued. The initial fixed penalty notice is currently £60 per parent per child i.e. a 2 parent family with 2 children would be fined £240, which needs to be paid to the Local Authority within 21 days. If payment is received between 21 – 28 days of issue the fine rises to £120 per parent per child i.e. £480 for a 2 parent and 2 child family. If payment is not received within 28 days of issue you may be prosecuted for the offence of irregular attendance and could be subject to a fine of up to £1,000 on conviction.

Please note that the school does not receive any of this money.

Key Stage 2 Break Time Snacks/ lunchboxes

As a healthy eating school, all break time snacks for KS2 should be a healthy snack i.e. fruit, dried fruit, cheese, carrot/cucumber sticks, tomatoes, etc. No sweets, cakes/cake bars, biscuits, cereal bars or crisps are allowed. We will also not be accepting 'Fruit Winders' or other processed fruit products as these are very high in sugar.

Please note we are a Nut Free School so children should not be bringing nuts, or any product containing nuts, as a snack or in their lunchbox this includes Nutella bars/products.



Parents Evening

Tuesday 7th February - 3.30pm – 6pm

Thursday 9th February – 3.30pm – 7.30pm

We have made the decision to hold both parents' evenings in person. We feel it is important for parents to be able to come into school and speak directly with teachers regarding their child's learning and development. This also gives parents the opportunity to look through your child's work and avoid any technical difficulties that parents experienced in October. Appointments will be available to book next week.

Morning sports club

Please can we remind children to enter the school via Gate 2 (pedestrian entrance) and not through the large vehicle gates. Children should use the pathways to enter the school as staff will be driving into the carpark at this time. Children in Year 4 and below should be accompanied by a parent until handed over to the member of staff.

Walking/cycling to school

We are receiving regular reports from concerned parents regarding children who walk/cycle to school alone not wearing helmets and crossing the main road without looking causing cars to brake suddenly. If your child walks to school without a parent please can you remind them about road safety and the importance of wearing a helmet.

Protective helmets

On average half of the road injuries received by cyclists are to the face and the head. Make sure your child always wears a correctly-fitted helmet to protect against head injuries should they fall. It should be worn correctly, which means it:

- is positioned squarely on their head, sitting just above the eyebrows and not tilted back or tipped forwards
- must be a snug fit
- should not stop them seeing clearly or cover their ears
- has its straps securely fastened and not twisted, with only enough room for two fingers between their chin and the strap



Disabled parking space

Please can we remind parents and family members that the designated disabled space outside the school should only be used by disabled badge holders (you could be fined or you could receive a parking notice if you do not hold this). Please ensure the badge is clearly displayed.

Timestable Rockstars

The results for this week's battle of highest scoring class are:

1st place – LEWIS 85,499

2nd place – COWELL 78,773

3rd place – MORPURGO 15,220

Largest improvement in accuracy in 7 days

1st place –Saphire S Y3

2nd place –Alfie H Y3

3rd place – George BS Y5

Well done to everyone who took part



Stay and Read session

Please note the Stay and read session for Morpurgo is on Thursday 16th March 9am -930am. Apologies this has now been added to the yearly planner.

Safeguarding Spotlight

County Lines

County Lines is where illegal drugs are transported from one area to another, often across police and local authority boundaries (although not exclusively), usually by children or vulnerable people who are coerced into it by gangs. The 'County Line' is the mobile phone line used to take the orders of drugs. Importing areas (areas where the drugs are taken to) are reporting increased levels of violence and weapons-related crimes as a result of this trend.

For more information please follow the link below:

<https://www.nationalcrimeagency.gov.uk/what-we-do/crime-threats/drug-trafficking/county-lines>

SPOTTING THE SIGNS
Challenger Tackling serious and organised crime together

- UNEXPLAINED GIFTS AND CASH
- DRUG PARAPHERNALIA
- NEW FRIENDSHIP GROUPS
- INCREASED MISSING FROM HOME EPISODES
- RECEIVING EXCESSIVE CALLS OR MESSAGES FROM 'NEW FRIENDS'
- MORE THAN ONE PHONE (OFTEN KNOWN AS A GRAFT PHONE)
- LOTS OF TRAVEL TICKETS SUCH AS BUS AND TRAIN TICKETS
- SECRETIVE OR WITHDRAWN FROM FAMILY AND/OR FRIENDS
- LYING- UNABLE TO RETELL A STORY WITHOUT CONFUSION OR HOLES IN THE STORY
- GETTING PICKED UP OR DROPPED OFF BY UNKNOWN



Loatlands Presents

Minions: Rise of Gru



Phase 3



Date – Thursday 19th January

Time - 3.15pm – 5.00pm

Come along with your friends and enjoy an after school event with a small treat and a drink

£2.50 per child via SchoolMoney



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2023**

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for young singers,
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groups & composers

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Market Harborough

Prizes worth over £1000

Free to enter

Enter by 3rd March
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REVISED Pathfinder Schools - 2022-23 academic year Term Dates

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Teachers	194

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Is your child's 4th birthday on or
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**APPLICATION
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midnight on Sunday
15 January 2023