

Loatlands Edition

Respect, Resilience and Curiosity

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Dates for your Diary

Please follow the link below for the yearly planner, please check for updates.

<https://loatlandsprimary.net/news-dates/letters-home>



Hello everyone, I would just like to take a few minutes to introduce myself.

My name is Mrs Willis and I will be joining Loatlands after Easter as the new Head Teacher.

Firstly, I would like to say a huge thank you to Miss Heald and the team for running the school over the last few months.

Loatlands has a fantastic network of staff that collaborate and ensure they are supporting the children every day.

I have been a head for the last 10 years, just down the road at Rushton Primary School.

This means that I have also been part of the Pathfinder Schools Trust from the day it was formed.

I am passionate in ensuring Loatlands provide a unique education for every single child. I believe children need to arrive at school smiling and leave at the end of the day smiling even more. I look forward to getting to meet you all over the Summer.

Please click on the link below to watch a short video by Mrs Willis

<https://youtu.be/Wg3vk4vbcnE>



The staff and children at Loatlands Primary School would like to say a great big thank you to Miss Heald, who has taken fantastic care of us all this last term. We have all really appreciated your support and think you are AMAZING!!



Today we said goodbye to Mrs Votier who leaves us for pastures new.
We wish her all the very best at her new school.

Forest School Next Term – Donaldson Class & Year 4

Donaldson Class (R) and Year 4 will be starting Forest School next term.

Donaldson Class is on **Fridays (please refer to separate emails sent)**

Cowell Class is on **Tuesday** mornings

Lewis Class is on **Wednesday** mornings.



Please send your child wearing their forest school kit and send their school uniform in a named carrier bag to change into.



Year 6 Swimming

Our Year 6 children will start their swimming lessons next term.

Both classes will go on Monday afternoon starting on Monday 17th April

Children should bring their swimming kit into school in a named bag. Swimming hats must be worn and can be purchased via school money. If your child needs to wear swimming goggles please provide written permission.

We ask for a contribution to our coach costs or £2 per week which can be paid via school money.

PE Days Next Term

Please check below for any changes in your child's PE days next term.

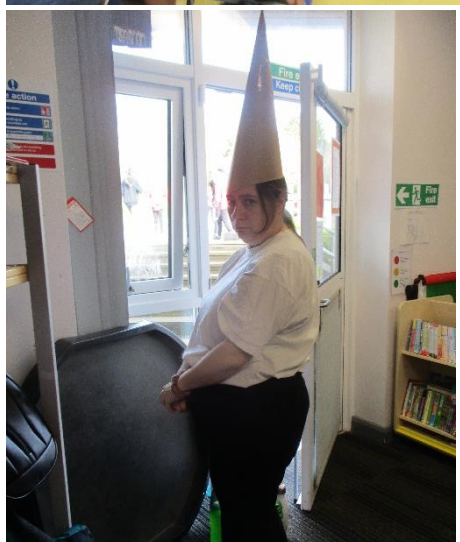
Year Group	PE days – Term 5
Reception	Monday
Year 1	Tuesday and Wednesday
Year 2	Thursday(indoor) and Friday(outdoor)
Year 3	Monday and Tuesday
Year 4	Friday
Year 5	Wednesday(in) and Friday (out)
Year 6	Wednesday and Thursday

Year 6 Dodgeball Tournament

A huge well done to all of our Year 6 pupils who took part in the Dodgeball tournament afterschool on Tuesday this week. Team B came second in their group and showed incredible resilience against some tough teams and Team A won the whole tournament ☺



Year 4 Victorian Day



It was an interesting day and the children were immersed into Victorian School life. We started the day with going over the 'rules' and expectations. We had to write lines of the phrase 'I shall not talk in class'.

Mrs James didn't listen to the rules as you can see from the photo! We didn't realise how often adults come into our classrooms, but we did on Victorian Day! We had to stand every time an adult entered and we couldn't sit down again until we were told we could.

We had a go at baking some simple Victorian bread and we made our own butter by shaking heavy cream in a jar. It was rather yummy (we got to eat it in the afternoon). We also had a go at some Arithmetic, a Drill around the playground and handwriting practice.

It opened our eyes to how different school is today and we were very glad when our teachers stopped being Victorians!

Timetable Rockstars

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

1st place – Cowell 2,914

2nd place – Tolkien 2,261

3rd place – Lewis 1,503

Largest improvement in accuracy in 7 days

1st place Jesse Y4 Cowell

2nd place Rose- Marie Y5 Pullman

3rd place Pippa Y4 Lewis

Well done to everyone who took part ☺



Reminders

School Lunches

You are now able to order your child's lunches for next term via school money.

Cowell Class Birthday Party – Friday 21st April

Please send your children to school in their party clothes.

Parents & Carers Coffee Morning – Thursday 20th April

Open to all parents and carers in the school studio – please wait outside the community entrance



Easter Fun

This week the children have been involved in everything Easter!

Our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children took part in the Easter Bonnet Parade. They behaved beautifully and there were some fantastic bonnets on show! Well done to all involved and thank you to all adults who joined us or lined to route to give us a wave as we went by ☺

Our Year's 3,4,5 and 6 children were invited to design and make an egg box creation. There were some amazing designs and everyone went to so much effort! Mrs Robinson was given the difficult task of picking the winning entries, we're sure you'll all agree they were very worthy winners!

This afternoon the children who brought in an egg box creation took part in our traditional egg rolling competition. This was great fun, despite the rain. Well done to all our winners ☺

Year 3



Year 4



Year 5



Year 6



REVISED Pathfinder Schools - 2022-23 academic year Term Dates

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Pupils	189
Teachers	194

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