

# Loatlands News



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## Dates for your Diary

### January

- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Year 3 Walk to Dunkirk Avenue  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Y6 SATS Information Evening  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Mars House Mufti Day  
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Year 2 Visit to Desborough Fire Station 1.30pm-3.30pm  
Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> Reception children health Screening (named children)

### February

- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> KS2 Dodgeball at Montsaye  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> KS1 Dodgeball at Montsaye  
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Family Open Afternoon 2.15pm

### March

- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> World Book Day  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Parents Evening 3.30-5.00pm and 6.00-8.00pm  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Parents Evening 3.30-6.00pm  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Great Fire of London Day  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> MCLP Swimming Gala  
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> Year 4/5 Performances this week

### April

- Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Y1/2 MCLP Cross Country event

### May

- Year 2 SATS Month  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> Reception children health screening (named children)  
Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>-Friday 10<sup>th</sup> – Year 4 Bushcraft Residential  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup>-Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 SATS – all children MUST be in school  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Wellbeing Week  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> Class Photographs  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Year 6 sports morning at Rothwell  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Family Open Afternoon 2.15pm

### June

- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Y1-4 Archery event (named children)  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Dinosaur Workshop (9am – 11.45am in the studio)  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Reception trip to Lighthouse Theatre  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Year 1 Phonics Screening Check this week  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Y1-4 MCLP Tri-Golf Festival  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Carnival Crowning and Summer Fete

### July

- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Year 6 performance  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Transition Day  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Reports out to parents  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> Year 6 reports out to parents  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Graduation

**Please note these dates may be subject to change.**

Welcome back to all our children, parents and staff. We hope you had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year.

### **House Points Results**

The house points tokens have been counted for terms 1 and 2:

**1<sup>st</sup> place – Mars House with 4,719 points**

**2<sup>nd</sup> place – Jupiter House with 4,359 points**

**3<sup>rd</sup> place – Saturn House with 4,321 points**

**4<sup>th</sup> place – Earth House with 4,215 points**

Congratulations to Mars House and well done to everyone for collecting so many tokens this term. As a reward, all children in Years 1-6 in Mars House will be allowed to come to school dressed in mufti on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January. Reception children in Mars House will receive a different treat.

### **Primary School Applications**

A reminder that parents of children who have their 4<sup>th</sup> birthday between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019 need to apply for their school place by Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019 (5pm). Parents need to register online at [www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions) and you will then be emailed with a link which you will need to go through to make your application. You must press **submit** on completing your application and if you go back into your application again at any time up to the closing date, you must ensure you press **submit** again. Every year parents who forget to resubmit are distraught as this often costs their child a place at their preferred school. If you have any trouble applying or any problems concerning your application, please telephone 0300 126 1000 or email [admissions@northamptonshire.gov.uk](mailto:admissions@northamptonshire.gov.uk)

### **Year 6 SATS Information Evening**

A reminder that we will be holding a Year 6 SATs Information evening at 6pm on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January for parents and children in Year 6. This will be a chance to find out more information about the structure of the tests, look over sample papers, understand the school revision homework process and ask any questions you may have. The session should last an hour and will be held in the Year 6 classroom (please enter via the junior gate) with Miss Durling and Miss Heald

### **Absence Letters**

As part of our attendance monitoring procedures, we will be sending home our termly attendance letters to parents today. These procedures identify children whose attendance has fallen below the thresholds of 95% and 90% accordingly. We understand that quite often (particularly at this time of year) absence from school can be caused by illness or medical reasons but would like to use this opportunity to work with parents who feel they may benefit from school support in this area. Mrs Harvey, our pastoral and attendance manager is available to support families with absence issues and can be contacted via the school office. Please note Mrs Harvey only works part time at Loatlands so may contact you back on her scheduled days of work.

Our attendance monitoring procedures work in the following way:

- Parents will be notified in writing for information purposes only if their child's attendance falls below 95%.
- If a child's attendance falls below 90% they will be monitored for a period of 6 weeks with the expectation that their attendance reaches 97% during this time period.
- If the attendance fails to meet this for 12 consecutive weeks or falls below 80%, Parents will be referred to our external Attendance Officer and invited in for a meeting with our School's Pastoral and Attendance manager and the external attendance officer.

These attendance monitoring procedures are also followed by other schools in the local area.



## Reading Corner



### Parent 'Stay and Read' Session

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January - Alhberg**

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January - 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 during this trial period – 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 meet you there. We hope you are able to join your child for their 'stay and read' session. If the sessions prove popular then we will continue them after February half-term.



**Phone Home  
Friday  
Back next  
week**



**Attendance Award**  
w/e 11<sup>th</sup> January  
Well done to Lewis for  
Achieving 100% attendance



#### Reminders

##### **Year 4 Bushcraft Residential**

A reminder that the next instalment of £40 is due by Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January

##### **Year 5 Kingswood Residential for Year 6**

A reminder that the initial deposit of £50 needs to be paid by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February for your child to secure a place on the trip.

##### **Year 3 & 5 Swimming Lessons – Term 3 and 4**

A reminder that we ask for a voluntary contribution of £2 per week to help with transport costs. Payment can either be made through your child's school money account or by debit card via the school office.

#### Letters sent home

Reception - Health Screening (Named children)

Year 1 - Pick and mix homework term 3

Year 2 - Pick and mix homework

Year 3 - Pick and mix homework term 3

Year 3 – Dunkirk Avenue Walk

Year 4 - Pick and mix homework term 3

Year 5 - Pick and mix homework term 3

Year 6 - Liverpool Trip

# Nursery News

Wow! What a busy first week back. Happy New Year everyone. The children have enjoyed playing with all the new equipment in the home corner. We have been learning how to choose it, use it and put it away in the correct place. Well Done Everyone!

This week the children have also been for a visit to the Life education bus where our topic was 'Taking care of myself'. We looked at personal and social skills and sang some songs.

Mrs Cumberpatch has been on home visits to meet our new children before they started this week. They have all settled in well and have enjoyed using all the different areas within the nursery.

We wish everyone a restful weekend

The Nursery Team

## ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-19

### Term 3

Training Day	Friday	4 January 2019
Term starts	Monday	7 January
Term ends	Friday	15 February

### Term 4

Term starts	Monday	25 February
Term ends	Friday	5 April

### Term 5

Term starts	Tuesday	23 April
Term ends	Friday	24 May

### Term 6

Term starts	Monday	3 June
Term ends	Friday	19 July
Training Day	Monday	22 July

## ACADEMIC YEAR 2019-20

### Term 1

Training Days	Monday and Tuesday	2 & 3 September 2019
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Term starts	Wednesday	4 September
Term ends	Friday	25 October

### Term 2

Training Day	Monday	4 November
Term starts	Tuesday	5 November
Term ends	Friday	20 December

### Term 3

Training Day	Friday	3 January 2020
Term starts	Monday	6 January
Term ends	Thursday	13 February
Training Day	Friday	14 February

### Term 4

Term starts	Monday	24 February
Term ends	Friday	3 April

### Term 5

Term starts	Monday	20 April
Term ends	Friday	22 May

### Term 6

Term starts	Monday	1 June
Term ends	Friday	17 July