

Loatlands News



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Dates for your Diary

January

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

February

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

March

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

April

- Monday 29th Y1/2 MCLP Cross Country event

May

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

June

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

July

- Thursday 4th Year 6 performance
- Monday 8th Transition Day
- Monday 8th Reports out to parents
- Tuesday 9th Year 6 reports out to parents
- Thursday 11th 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:

1st place – Mars House with 4,719 points

2nd place – Jupiter House with 4,359 points

3rd place – Saturn House with 4,321 points

4th 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 18th January. Reception children in Mars House will receive a different treat.

Primary School Applications

A reminder that parents of children who have their 4th birthday between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019 need to apply for their school place by Tuesday 15th January 2019 (5pm). Parents need to register online at 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

Year 6 SATS Information Evening

A reminder that we will be holding a Year 6 SATs Information evening at 6pm on Monday 14th 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 16th January - Alhberg

Thursday 17th 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 11th 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 31st January

Year 5 Kingswood Residential for Year 6

A reminder that the initial deposit of £50 needs to be paid by Friday 1st 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