

# Loatlands News

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**Loatlands**  
Primary School



## Dates for your Diary

### October

Monday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Flu immunisation YR - 6
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5/6 7 a side Football Competition (Named children)
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Kurling Festival (Named children)</b>
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Pick and Mix Homework due in
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Family open afternoon - 2.15pm and Cake Sale
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Phase 2 play 6pm
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Phase 2 Play 2pm (Family Friendly)
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Phase 2 Play 2pm
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 5 Tudor Day in school</b>
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of term

### November

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Training Day
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	First day of term
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Individual Class Photographs
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Movie Mob Event</b>
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening 3.30pm – 5pm & 6pm – 8pm
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 Teddy's Bear Picnic
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening 3.30pm – 5.30pm
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 New Walk Museum Trip
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Reception Gruffalo Theatre Trip
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 National Space Centre Trip

### December

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 6 Bikeability - Level 1
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Year 6 Bikeability – Level 2
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Y3/4 Futsal Tournament (Named Children)
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Full Governing Board Meeting
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Phase 1 Play 10am
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Phase 1 Play 10am
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Phase 1 Play 2pm (Family Friendly)
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term

### January

Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 Ancient Greece day in the studio
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 SATS Information Evening

## Family Open afternoon – Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October

We are looking forward to welcoming you to our family open afternoon on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 2.15pm until 3pm. There will be three school entrances open to ensure visitors are able to get into school without waiting in a long queue. If you are visiting a child in Reception/Year 1 first, please use the community entrance. If you are visiting a child in Year 2/3 first, please use the main office entrance. If you are visiting a child in Years 4/5/6 first, please enter via the green gate at the junior end of the building. Once inside school, you will be able to move freely between your children's classes at any time.

Due to Health & Safety reasons, pre-school children will not be allowed to this event



### Open Afternoon Cake Sale

Phase 3 (Years 4, 5 and 6) will be holding a cake sale at the end of the Family Open Afternoon in October. Donations of cakes from parents of children in this Phase would be very much appreciated. All profits from the sale will be split between the Phase 3 classes.

### Year 3 - Teddy Bear's Picnic

Year 3 children will be having a Teddy Bears' Picnic on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October as part of their topic 'Bears'. The children can bring a Teddy Bear into school on the day to take to the picnic, they will be making a healthy picnic in school.



### The Bumper Harvest Performances

Years 2 and 3 are currently preparing for their performances of 'Bumper Harvest' that will be taking place on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 6pm and Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October and Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm. All children will need to attend **all three performances (including the evening one)** for the production to be a success. Tickets are now available to purchase through your child's SchoolMoney account or via debit card at the school office. Tickets will only be sent home once payment has been received and the reply slip returned indicating which tickets are required.

### Year 1 Outdoor Area

I am sure you have all seen our super new outdoor area at the front of the school! We officially opened it last Friday and I am pleased to say the children from both Year 1 classes have been using it every afternoon in all weathers. It is a super addition to our provision and the children have really been on task and engaged, extending their learning outside. Learning through play is still a vital part of our day in Year 1 and we are really showing super collaborative teamwork together.





### **Mobile Phones**

Please be aware that pupils are not permitted to have mobile phones in school. We recognise that some children in Y5 and Y6 walk home alone and therefore you may wish for them to have their mobile phone. If this is the case, this must be by prior arrangement with a member of the Senior Leadership Team (Mrs Buckley, Mrs Roper or Miss Heald). Once this arrangement has been made, your child will be required to hand their phone in to the school office prior to the beginning of the school day where it will need to be switched off and locked away. They will then need to collect their mobile phone from the office after the end of the school day. You will be asked to sign a form providing permission for the phone to be held by the school office. Any pupils found in possession of a mobile phone will have this confiscated and it will not be returned until we have spoken with parents.

### **Forest School Request**

We would greatly appreciate any donations of logs, branches and lengths of wood to be used in our forest school. Thanks you

### **Year 6 Residential**

Last Week, Year 6 spent the week at Kingswood outdoor activity centre in Staffordshire where they abseiled, zip wired, made shelters, lit fires, fenced and used the climbing wall amongst other things. The children had a busy, yet fantastic week, taking part in this array of activities that challenged them and encouraged them to work together in all weathers that they were faced with. Many fears were overcome and it was a great opportunity for the children to bond as well as enabling the staff to get to know individuals much better. There were definitely many memories made that the children will take with them to secondary school.



### **Healthy Eating Lunchboxes**

If your child has a packed lunch from home, please only pack what you think they will manage, e.g. a sandwich or wrap, a piece of fruit, yoghurt, a small treat (no sweets or large bars of chocolate) and a still drink. All empty wrappers and uneaten food are sent home in lunch boxes, so you can see how much they have eaten.



### **Birthday Cakes/Sweets**

We are asking all parents of children in Years 1 to 6 not to send in birthday cakes or sweets please. Reception classes will accept a simple cake but there is no obligation to provide one.

### **Reception Tour Dates**

We have a number of dates arranged for prospective parents to view our school. These are:  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 10:30am, Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 2:00pm, Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 10:30am and Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November at 2:00pm  
Please call the school on 01536 506404 to book a place.

### **Payment by Debit Card**

Please ensure you have your mobile phone with you when you make a payment via debit card at the school office as we have been made aware that banks are increasing card security and will be sending out more one-time pass codes to mobile phones when we are processing payments. Thank you



**Phone Home  
Friday**  
Back next week

### **Attendance Award**

w/e 11<sup>th</sup> October

Well done to

**Dahl**

class for

achieving 100% attendance

### **Letters sent Home**

Year 5/6 - Football Tournament (Named Children)

Year 2 - Kurling Festival (Named Children)

Year 6 - Pledge to bake

Year 5 – Year 6 Residential

### **Letters Emailed Home**

Reception – The Curve Theatre Trip

Year 4 - New Walk Museum Trip

Year 5 – National Space Centre Trip

Year 5 - Tudor Day



# Nursery News

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Another busy week in Nursery, one of the highlights was baking cakes, the children helped to weigh out the ingredients and took turn to stir the mixture. The cakes were delicious!

## How can you help at home?

We are enjoying observing the changes to the trees in our garden and finding lots of Autumnal treasures, why not go on an Autumn walk together and collect some beautiful leaves, conkers, fir cones or acorns to bring to nursery.

Thank you to all the families that have already sent in their family photo, if you have not had chance to yet, there is still time. Please email to [parents@loatlandsprimary.net](mailto:parents@loatlandsprimary.net).

## Important Dates

The last week of term will be a special science week for the children. Families are invited to stay and play on the Wednesday and take part in some science experiments, younger siblings welcome.

AM: 9.30-10.30am and  
PM 2.15-3.15pm  
The Nursery Team



## 2019 – 2020 Term dates

<b>Term 1</b>		
Term starts		Wednesday 4 September
Term ends		Friday 25 October
<b>Term 2</b>		
	Training Day	Monday 4 November
Term starts		Tuesday 5 November
Term ends		Friday 20 December
<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