

Loatlands News

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Loatlands
Primary School



Dates for your Diary

January

Monday 6th School Re-opens
Monday 6th Rowling, Cowell and Wilson Swimming Commences
Tuesday 7th – 10th Life Education Bus Visit
Wednesday 8th Year 3 Ancient Greece day in the studio
Monday 13th Year 6 SATS Information Evening
Friday 17th **Saturn House Mufti Day**

February

Monday 3rd School Disco
Friday 14th Training day

March

Tuesday 17th Year 2 SATS information session 3.30pm-4.30pm
Friday 27th Year 2 Great Fire of London Workshop

April

Friday 3rd Easter Bonnet Parade/ Egg Rolling competition

May

Year 2 SATS Month
Monday 11th-15th Year 6 SATS – all children MUST be in school

June

Monday Year 1 Phonics Screening all week
Thursday 11th Year 5 Homefront Workshop

Phase 1

Years R and 1

Phase 2

Years 2 and 3

Phase 3

Years 4, 5 and 6



Carol Concerts

Thank you to all the families who attended our Carol Concerts this week. Well done to the children who have been practising hard over the last few weeks.



Attendance Awards

In today's assembly, 96 attendance award certificates were handed out to all the students from Reception to Year 6 who have achieved 100% attendance this term. A big well done to everyone

Year 4 Cowell Class

We are looking forward to welcoming Miss Buczynski back to school, in Year 4 Cowell Class, in the New Year.

Parent 'Stay and Read' Session

Thank you very much to the parents and family members who have joined us in our stay and read sessions this term. The children take great pleasure in showing their reading skills and enjoying reading with you.



Swimming Lessons

A reminder starting on Monday 6th January 2020, children in Year 3 Rowling class, Year 4 Cowell class and Year 5 Wilson class will take part in weekly swimming lessons as part of the National Curriculum. These will take place every Monday morning until Monday 30th March 2020.

Your child will need to bring their swimming kit with them every Monday, which should include:

- Swimming costume for girls (no bikinis)
- Swimming trunks for boys (no board shorts)
- Towel
- Swimming hat (purchased as a Shop Item through your child's SchoolMoney account for £1)
- Waterproof swimming bag

Please ensure all items of swimming kit are named. Swimming goggles are not allowed unless there is a parental note giving permission. However, please be advised that there will be times when all children will need to remove goggles for safety reasons for certain swimming tasks.

Starbooks Awards - Autumn Term 2019

Congratulations to all of our Star Readers!

In total 165 children have read 4 times a week at home for 6 weeks with some children completing two Starbooks Reward Cards during the term. Very well done to Morpurgo class who had the largest number of Star Readers in their class. We celebrated in a special assembly on Tuesday where all the Star Readers received a bookmark and two Star Readers per class were selected at random to choose a lovely book to keep as a prize. We hope to see even more Star Readers in the Spring Term!

| Year and Class | Number of Star Readers | Star Readers Book Prizes |
|-------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Year R: Rosen | 11 | Persephonie H & Hali S |
| Year R: Donaldson | 11 | Ethan G & Sapphire W |
| Year 1: Jeffers | 17 | Sophia M & Teddy W |
| Year 1: Ahlberg | 15 | Sophia G & Seren T |
| Year 2: Milne | 11 | Connor C & Lacey H |
| Year 2: Dahl | 15 | Harry A & Holly C |
| Year 3: Rowling | 16 | Roran H & Jason RH |
| Year 3: Morpurgo | 18 | Keira M & Ethan W |
| Year 4: Cowell | 10 | Florrie H & Alanna B |
| Year 4: Lewis | 13 | Elisabeth L & Poppy L |
| Year 5: Pullman | 7 | Oliver H & Holly N |
| Year 5: Wilson | 9 | Louise M & Sofia T |
| Year 6: Austen | 12 | Connie S & Arabella S |

House Points Results

The house point's tokens have been counted for terms 1 and 2:

1st place – Saturn House with 5,519 points

2nd place – Earth House with 5,465 points

3rd place – Mars House with 5,128 points

4th place – Jupiter House with 3,368 points

Congratulations to Saturn House and well done to everyone for collecting so many tokens this term. As a reward, all children in Years 1-6 in Saturn House will be allowed to come to school dressed in mufti on Friday 17th January. Reception children in Saturn House will receive a different treat.

Year 3 Morpurgo Class

We are very pleased to confirm that Mrs Lacey will be covering Mrs Reith's maternity cover next year.

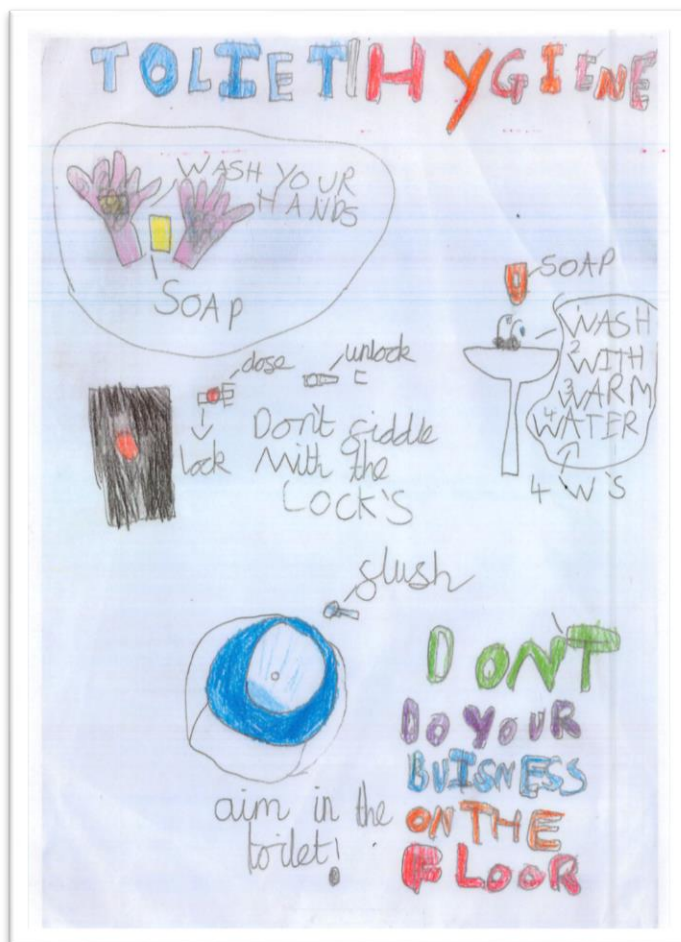
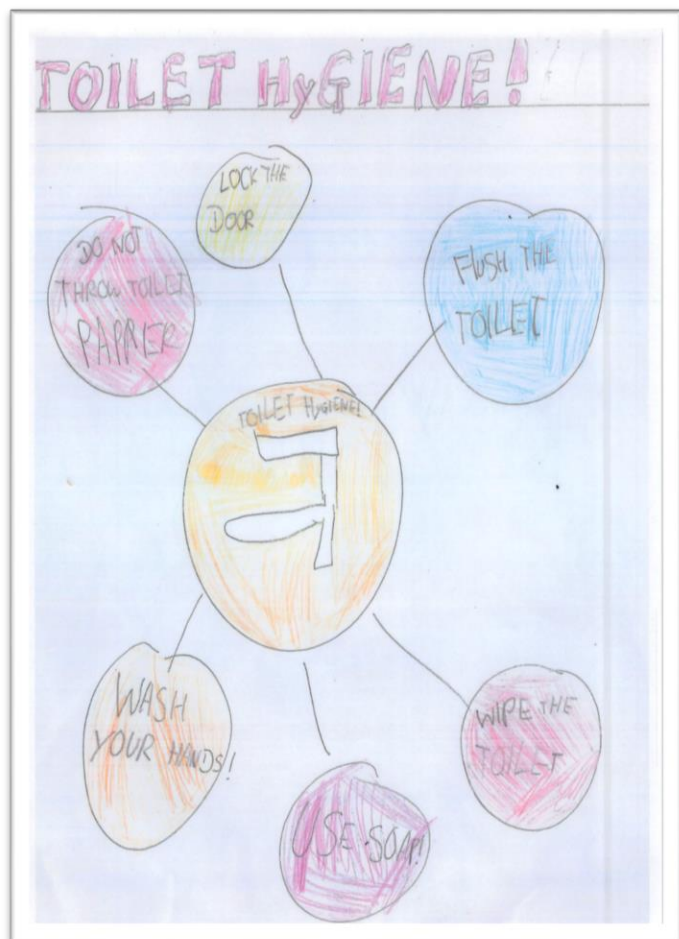
Poster Competition

The School Council launched a poster competition earlier in the term to promote a good level of hygiene. We had lots of wonderful entries. Congratulations to the winners:

Kaytie – Rowling

Isabel – Lewis

They have both received their prizes and the posters are displayed in KS1 & 2 toilets.



We would like to take this opportunity to wish all parents, carers and children a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all the staff at Loatlands



Nursery News

Wow what a busy December we have had in Nursery! We started the Christmas celebrations off with a trip to the church for the Christmas Tree Festival to see our beautiful Nursery tree. The trip was such a success thanks to all our wonderful parents and volunteers. The children then impressed us with their fantastic Christmas Show where they sang some lovely Christmas songs. Yesterday we had our Parties, we ate some delicious food (thank you for all the generous donations), danced, played party games and had a visit from Father Christmas! We have also been busy making and writing Christmas cards, this week we walked to the post box to post them, so hopefully you should be receiving them soon. Please keep your envelope to bring into nursery to put in your child's Special book. One group were extra lucky as we bumped into Postman Andy, he very kindly let the children help him post the cards and parcels to the houses on Harrington Road. The children had such a special time and really enjoyed the experience, thank you so much Postman Andy.

We are very excited to inform you that Katie will be joining the Nursery Team officially from January as she was successfully appointed as our new Early Years Apprentice this week. Katie has volunteered with us for three years, demonstrating a great commitment to the nursery and children.

We would just like to say a big thank you to all our wonderful volunteers and student for all their help this term, they really are a fantastic bunch of people.

A big thank you to all the parents for their generous gifts and cards and we hope you all have a lovely family break. We look forward to seeing you all in the New Year, we will return to nursery on Monday 6th January.



The Nursery Team



2019 – 2020 Term dates

Term 3

Training Day

Friday 3 January 2020

Term starts

Monday 6 January 2020

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

(Bank holiday

Friday 8 May)

Term ends

Friday 22 May

Term 6

Term starts

Monday 1 June

Term ends

Friday 17 July

Attendance Award

w/e 20th December

Well done to

Donaldson

class for

achieving 98% attendance