

Loatlands Edition

Respect, Resilience and Curiosity

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Loatlands
Primary School



Birthdays

We are conscious that, due to the current restrictions many children have missed out and will continue to miss out on celebrating birthday parties with their friends. For this reason we have decided to hold 'Class Birthday Parties' throughout the year. Each class will celebrate the birthday of all pupils in the class and it will be held on or near to the birthday of their class author. On the day of the party, children will be able to come to school in their party clothes and will have the opportunity to play some party games and generally have some fun celebrating together.

Our first author is Roald Dahl who would be celebrating his birthday on 13th September. **Dahl Class** will therefore have their party on the afternoon of **Friday 18th September** and can come in their party clothes on this day. We will keep you informed of party dates for other classes throughout the course of the year.



Car Entrance Gate

Please can we remind parents to refrain from dropping off/collecting children by the car entrance gate, this needs to be kept clear at all times as this is our emergency entry/exit. Thank you

Pupil Data Checking Forms

All children in Years 1-6 have been emailed home a blank pupil data collection sheet, permissions form and collection arrangements form. Please complete all forms ensuring all telephone numbers and emergency contacts are up-to-date. Please return all forms to the school office by Friday 18th September.

PE Kit

Please ensure your child has a named PE Kit in school everyday. All PE sessions will be outside, please include warm clothes. Earrings must be removed by the child for PE.

Medical Appointments during School time

If your child needs to attend a medical appointment during the school day, please let the school office know and provide a copy of the letter/appointment card prior to the appointment so this can be properly recorded as a medical appointment on your child's records.

Absence

If your child is absent from school due to illness, please either ring the school office and leave a message on the absence line or send a message via the Studybugs App everyday of your child's absence (Get the app or register now (<https://studybugs.com/about/parents>))

Please can we remind parents about the rules regarding sickness and diarrhoea. If your child is suffering with sickness or diarrhoea, they cannot return to school until 48 hours after the last bout.

Please make sure you are fully aware of the below.

You must not send your child to school if:

- they are displaying COVID symptoms*;
- they are awaiting COVID test results;
- anyone in the household is displaying COVID symptoms*; or
- anyone in the household is awaiting COVID test results.

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Thank you for adhering to this so that we can ensure the safety of our community.



Please get the **free Studybugs app** for reporting your child's absence due to illness.

<https://studybugs.com>



Report sickness, receive guidance, help improve children's health

See what illnesses are going around

Secure system, all communications encrypted



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Social Media

We are aware of a disturbing video that is circulating on social media at the moment, especially TiKTok and other social media platforms. We have gathered as much information as possible over the last few days as the situation has been moving and changing rapidly. We believe the video has been removed from TiKTok but has been and is being shared on other social media platforms. Northants Local Authority have put together some advice on how to manage the incident and how to safeguard young people online especially if they are distressed from seeing the video.

Firstly if young people have come across the video it's important we signpost them to adults in school and at home so they can get support, we are also following the UK Safer Internet guidelines so we can try and get the video removed, don't forget you can report inappropriate content directly on [TikTok](#) and also [Report Harmful Content](#) especially if the video is on other social media or instant messenger platforms.

We have also put some online safety advice together for parents and carers around managing the incident:

1. When or if discussing this issue with young people please do not name the individual in the video, by doing this you could be encouraging young people to go looking for the video causing further distress.
2. As highlighted above please use the Report Harmful Content website and report functions on a social media websites or apps, we need to work together so we can get it taken down as quickly as possible. More information on this is highlighted below.
3. Encourage young people to not share the video, if a young person or adult gets a video sent to them that they are unsure of we need encourage them to not open it.
4. If a young person has seen the video we need to get curious both at home and in the classroom - ask questions like 'how did you get to that?' or 'what did you click on' this will help us understand how the child or children clicked on the content in the first place.
5. Try not to blame children and young people, they may have clicked on things innocently or may have gone looking for the content on purpose, but it is still important to remain calm and be supportive. They may have heard their friends talking about the video but not know what they might be exposed to by looking at the video.
6. Make sure you do your research, some of the information being shared around this incident is very misleading especially on social media.

We recommend the following websites to parents and carers, [UK Safer Internet Centre](#) offer some great guides and [Internet Matters](#) is full of useful information especially around keeping safe on social media. We have also attached two important handouts that may help.

Reminders

Year 5 – Condoover Hall Residential

A reminder that the final payment of £35 is due to be paid by 30th September.

Attendance Award

w/e 11th September

Well done to

Rosen Class

class for

achieving **100%** attendance



Term Dates 2020-2021

Term 1

Training Day Tuesday 1 September 2020
Training Day Wednesday 2 September 2020
Term starts Thursday 3 September
Term ends Friday 16 October

Term 2

Term starts Monday 2 November
Term ends Friday 18 December
Training Day Monday 21 December

Term 3

Term starts Monday 4 January 2021
Term ends Thursday 11 February
Training Day Friday 12 February

Term 4

Term starts Monday 22 February
Term ends Friday 26 March

Term 5

Term starts Monday 12 April
Term ends Friday 28 May

Term 6

Term starts Monday 7 June
Term ends Friday 23 July
Training Day Monday 26 July

Term Dates 2021-2022

Term 1

Training Day Wednesday 1 September 2021
Term starts Thursday 2 September
Term ends Friday 15 October

Term 2

Training Day Monday 1 November
Term starts Tuesday 2 November
Term ends Wednesday 22 December

Term 3

Training Day Tuesday 4 January 2022
Term starts Wednesday 5 January
Term ends Friday 11 February

Term 4

Term starts Monday 21 February
Term ends Friday 1 April
Training Day Monday 4 April

Term 5

Term starts Tuesday 19 April
Term ends Friday 27 May

Term 6

Term starts Monday 6 June
Term ends Friday 22 July
Training Day Monday 25 July