

Loatlands Edition

Respect, Resilience and Curiosity

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Dates for your Diary

Please follow the link below for the yearly planner

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Last week we had some visitors in school looking at teaching and learning. All the adults were extremely proud of the children and saw them working hard and moving their learning forward. Classrooms were calm and focused, and all children were fully engaged.

Thank you to the children that shared their work and answered questions.

I am proud to see the children growing in confidence and independence and extremely proud to show off our amazing school.

Thank you, *Mrs Willis*

We were excited to be able to invite Parents from Reception, YR1, YR2 & YR3 to come into school and watch Phonics, Talk 4 Writing and Effective Maths sessions in action. We received some fantastic feedback from the parents who attended and look forward to being able to invite parents from other year groups in soon. If there is anything in particular you would like us to share, please let the office know.



"Thank you for arranging the phonics workshop this morning. It was so lovely to see what a phonics session is actually like, as neither of mine give much away! I was really impressed how fun, interactive and fast paced it was and kept all of the children's attention.

I was also concerned my son was very behind with this as it had been said this is usually completed by the end of year 1, but I can see there is a lot to learn! And they all appear to be doing really well. Compliments to Mrs Robinson, amazing teaching!"

Attendance

Thank you for supporting us on improving our attendance figures. This term has seen a 1% decrease. Please remember a day missed is about three days lost learning. We want Loatlands children to leave school independent, confident learners that can reach their dreams. With your help, we can do this.

Let's see if we can get to 96% next term!

Year Group	Attendance Percentage	
Reception	93%	Whole School 93%
Year 1	90.5%	
Year 2	94.7%	
Year 3	93.8%	
Year 4	93.1%	
Year 5	92.6%	
Year 6	94%	



We have had a fantastic term gathering spots on our recognition wall. We have had over 600 recognitions across the school for both staff and children.

What a fantastic positive environment we are creating.

Well done to everyone.

Congratulations to

Jesse Y5 and Miss Rotherham

for receiving the added bonus of the Costa Coffee voucher.

We hope you enjoy spending the voucher with your family and friends.

Forest School

Year 5 Pullman Class will be having their sessions every Tuesday morning starting on **Tuesday 27th February**.

Year 5 Wilson Class will be having their sessions every Wednesday morning starting on **Wednesday 28th February**.

Please send your child wearing their forest school kit and send their school uniform in a named carrier bag to change into



PE Days Next Term

Please check below for any changes in your child's PE days next term.

Year Group	PE Days – Term 2
Reception	Wednesdays
Year 1	Monday and Tuesday
Year 2	Thursday and Friday
Year 3	Monday and Thursday
Year 4	Monday and Friday
Year 5	Friday
Year 6	Tolkien on Wednesdays Horowitz on Thursdays

Swimming



Year 4 will continue their swimming lessons on Mondays throughout next term.

We ask for a contribution to our coach costs which can be paid via school money.



Just a
Friendly
Reminder



Nut Free School

A reminder that we are a Nut Free School so children should not be bringing nuts as a snack or any product containing nuts in their home pack ups.



Parking

Please can we remind parents about parking considerately outside school. We ask you to be mindful of other pedestrians, cars and local residents. We would also urge you to switch off your engine if you arrive early.



PE Kit

Please can we remind parents of our PE kit expectation for the children...

- * Plain or Loatlands branded red t-shirt
- * Plain or Loatlands branded red sweatshirt
- * Plain black shorts, joggers or leggings
- * Trainers - no sequins, high tops or fashion footwear



School Absence or Lateness

If your child is absent from school due to illness or will be late please either ring the school office (you can leave a voice message), send an email or use the Studybugs App everyday of your child's absence by 9am



(Get the app or register now (<https://studybugs.com/about/parents>))



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COMING SOON

February	26th	School reopens to pupils
	29th	Movie Night – Poster attached

	6th	Swimming Gala – named pupils - letters sent home
March	7th	World Book Day – Dress as your favourite character – info attached
	14th	Year 5 trip to The National Space Centre
	21st	Year 3 trip to Irchester Country Park
	26th	KS2 Dodgeball – named children
	28th	Finish School for Easter
	30th	Parents open afternoon – come along as see what the children have been doing this week

As we add things to the planner, we will be sure to update you with as much notice as possible. Please note dates are subject to change but we will endeavour to keep to the planner as much as we possibly can.

Individual Education Plan Reviews (IEP)

If your child has an IEP please see dates below for their upcoming target review. This is a drop-in session with Mrs Robinson and Mrs York and will be held in the nursery library between 9am and 10am.

Year 1 & 2	28 th February
Year 3	6 th March
Year 4	13 th March
Year 5	20 th March
Year 6	27 th March
Nursery & Reception	17 th April

WORLD BOOK DAY

7 MARCH 2024

This year we have decided to celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 7th March by inviting the children to dress as their favourite character from their favourite book!

Dressing up is a fun way to encourage children to engage with reading.

We would also like them to bring their book with them so they can share it with their friends.

Here are some top tips for putting together a costume...

- Choose a book your child is happy to talk about
- Start with things you might already have – tracksuits, t-shirts (inside out to make them plain) and pyjamas make a good base for a costume
- Focus on the parts of the character that make them stand out – use facepaint or simple props to show these



Helpful
Tips

What if I / my child....

...doesn't have a book to share?

Try a costume that invites recommendations – a t-shirt with post it notes or one you don't mind being written on.

....Doesn't like dressing up?

Keep it simple with a character who wears everyday clothes, by focussing on a prop, or by using a badge. If they really don't want to dress up they can wear their comfiest clothes or pyjamas, bring their favourite book and teddy that they like sharing their stories with.

...Likes non fiction?

Focus on what they like – could they share a fact, or the subject matter, or do they want to focus on the author?

...aren't any good at crafting?

Stick to everyday clothes and add small details to focus on key elements of the character – hats, ears, sticking things on t-shirts etc

Don't forget you can use social media platforms and sites like Pinterest to search for ideas too.





World Book Day

**Come to school dressed
as your favourite
character from your
favourite book.**

**Thursday
7th March
2024**

WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**

7 MARCH 2024

CELEBRATE STORIES

WORLD BOOK DAY

Celebrating on 7th March 2024

**Horrid Henry's Hotdog
Or
Harry Potters Vegetarian Hotdog**

**Served with
Mr. Stink's Jacket Wedges
Peter Rabbit's Super – Duper Carrots
Belle's Golden Sweetcorn
Gangsta Granny's Green Salad**

Willy Wonka's Chocolate Cake



Loatlands
Primary School
Presents

MOVIE NIGHT



THURSDAY 29TH FEBRUARY AFTER SCHOOL

TICKETS £2.50 INCLUDING CRISPS AND A DRINK

**PARENTS TO COLLECT OUTSIDE THE COMMUNITY
ENTRANCE AT 5.15pm**

Tickets available for purchase via schoolmoney

TIME OUT FOR PARENTS



DADS

Workshops for fathers of children up to 16 years

Dates:
Every Sunday 7:30-9:30pm
25th February - 24th March 2024

This course will be run online via Zoom

Book your place online visit
hopeforfamilies.org.uk/events

For more information contact
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Common-sense, jargon-free information
and ideas to help you to engage with your
children and boost your relationship

Please see the dates for this academy year and the following year. Please remember all holidays will not be authorised and we ask you avoid booking holidays in school time as this has a huge impact on children's learning and wellbeing. Thank you

Pathfinder Schools - 2023-24 academic year Term Dates

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	School days
	School holiday
	Weekend
	Training day
	Bank Holiday

Total Days	
Pupils	190
Teachers	195

Term	Days	TD	Term	Days	TD	Term	Days	TD
Autumn 1	30	32	Spring 1	28	29	Summer 1	30	30
Autumn 2	36	36	Spring 2	29	29	Summer 2	37	39

Term Dates 2024-2025

Pathfinder Schools - 2024-25 academic year Term Dates

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