

# Loatlands News

Issue 1 – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2019  
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Welcome to the first issue of Loatlands News for the new academic year 2019-20. The children have made a fantastic start to the new year and have settled in to their new classes extremely well.



## Dates for your Diary

### September

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming lessons commence
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 Bird of Prey Experience
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Meet the Teacher event 3.15-3.30pm
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 Circus Workshop
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Meet the Teacher event 3.15-3.30pm
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 Seaside Day
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Visit from Montsaye Parent 9am
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Karate club restarts

### October

Monday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Kurling Festival (named children)
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### November

Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Individual Class Photographs
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## Thank you

A very big thank you to all children and parents for a warm welcome this week. I have thoroughly enjoyed my first week at Loatlands and I am looking forward to working together to help to continue the schools success.

## Staffing

We are pleased to welcome our new members of staff - Miss Rotherham (Y5 teacher), Mrs Smith (P/T Y4 Teacher), Mrs Sutherland (Y6 TA) and Mrs Foster (Y2 TA) and look forward to working with them this year.

## Uniform and Other Belongings in School

Please remember to name all items of clothing including coats, jumpers, cardigans, sun hats, lunch boxes and water bottles. This makes it easier for staff to reunite children with lost belongings.

## Pupil Date Checking Forms

All children in Years 1-6 will have been sent home with 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 as soon as possible.

## Key Stage 2 Break Time Snacks

As a healthy eating school, all break time snacks for KS2 should be a healthy snack i.e. fruit, dried fruit, cheese, carrot/cucumber sticks, tomatoes, etc. **No sweets, cakes/cake bars, biscuits, cereal bars or crisps are allowed.** We will also not be accepting 'Fruit Winders' or other processed fruit products as these are very high in sugar. Please note we are a **Nut Free School** so children should not be bringing nuts as a snack or any product containing nuts.





### **Gardening Club**

A table full of produce from the new garden beds in the conservation area - well done and thank you to all of our green fingered pupils for helping to produce some amazing vegetables

### **Swimming Lessons**

A reminder starting on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019, children in Year 3 Morpurgo class, Year 4 Lewis class and Year 5 Pullman class will take part in weekly swimming lessons as part of the National Curriculum. These will take place every Monday morning until Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2019.



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.

### **Jewellery**

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are not allowed to wear jewellery or watches, this includes earrings. These should be removed before coming to school. Children in Years 3 to 6 are only allowed to wear a watch and one pair of stud earrings. Earrings must be removed by the child for PE and swimming. If your child is unable to remove earrings themselves, they should be removed before they come to school.

### **Meet the Teacher Events – Years 1-6**

All parents of children in Years 1 to 6 are invited to come into school on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September or Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September between 3.15pm and 3.30pm** to see their child's new classroom and meet the teacher. There are two dates this year to give parents a chance to meet both teachers if their child is in a job share class.

### **Year 6**

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September, Year 6 parents are invited into the school at 9am to meet and talk to a parent of a child from Montsaye Academy. It is a great opportunity to hear about the school from a parent's perspective and ask any questions

### **Year 2 – Seaside Day**

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September, Year 2 children are invited to come to school wearing beach clothes for our seaside day linked to our first topic this term. We will also be having a seaside picnic. Please advise the school office of any allergies that we are not currently aware of. (If weather is cold on this day please send in additional clothing for break and lunchtime)

**Reception Tour Dates**

We have a number of dates arranged for prospective parents to view our school. These are:

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 7:00pm

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

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November at 2:00pm

Please call the school on 01536 506404 to book a place.

**Letters sent Home**

Years 1 – 6 – Data Collection Sheet  
Year 2 - Kurling Club

**Reminders**

**Circus Workshop – Year 1 children**

A reminder that a Payment of £4.00 is due by Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September

**Bird of Prey– Year 4 children**

A reminder that a Payment of £2.50 is due by Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September

**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