

# Loatlands News

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Loatlands  
Primary School



## Dates for your Diary

### February

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> School Disco  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Dodgeball Festival at Montsaye (named children)  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Family Open Afternoon  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Liverpool Trip  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Training day

### March

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> World Book Day  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Sport Relief Day 'Get your Kit on'  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> KS1 Cross Country Event  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> KS2 Cross Country Event  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Year 2 SATS information session 3.30pm-4.30pm  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> KS2 Swimming Gala  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Y5/6 High Fives Netball Competition  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Great Fire of London Workshop

### April

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Easter Bonnet Parade/ Egg Rolling competition

### May

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

### June

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Year 1 Phonics Screening all week  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Year 5 Homefront Workshop

### Phase 1

Years R and 1

### Phase 2

Years 2 and 3

### Phase 3

Years 4, 5 and 6



## Family Open afternoon – Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February

We are looking forward to welcoming you to our family open afternoon on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 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.

## World Book Day

This year World Book Day takes place on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March. We will not be asking children to come to school dressed up this year.

## Sports Relief 'Get your kit on' Day

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March, all children are invited to join our sports relief day and wear any sporting outfit such as football, gymnastics or Karate kit for a donation of £1. Each class will also take part in a sporting event throughout the day to celebrate keeping active

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## Routine Dentist Appointments

If your child needs to attend a routine dental appointment please can this be arranged for after school as this can cause disruption in the class and missed work.

## Parent 'Stay and Read' Sessions – Spring Term

Thank you to all the parents who attended our 'Stay and Read' sessions last term.

The dates for the Spring Term are as follows. Please note that due to changes to our assembly timetables, Year 3 and Year R have swapped over and will now have their sessions on different days of the week:

Years 1, 2 and 3		Years R, 4, 5 and 6	
Date	Class	Date	Class
		Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Year R: Rosen
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 1: Jeffers	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	Year R: Donaldson
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1: Ahlberg	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4: Lewis
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2: Dahl	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4: Cowell
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2: Milne	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5: Pullman
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3: Rowling	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5: Wilson
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Year 3: Morpurgo	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Year 6: Austen

Each 'stay and read' session will begin at 9am and will finish at 9.25am. Pre-school aged children are welcome to come to the sessions – there will be a range of books and toys suitable for younger children. If you wish to attend a 'stay and read' session then you just need to enter the school via the main entrance after dropping off your child/children as usual. The class whose turn it is will then make their way to the library after the register and meet you there for the 'stay and read' session.

Thank you for supporting reading for pleasure at Loatlands!

## Nursery Registrations

We still have spaces available in our nursery for September 2020 for children who were born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017. Please bring your child's birth certificate to the main school office to register.



**Phone Home  
Friday  
Sophia D**

### **Attendance Award**

w/e 24<sup>th</sup> January

Well done to

**Wilson**

class for

achieving 99% attendance

## Reminders

### **Year 4 Croft Farm Residential**

A reminder that the initial deposit of £25.00 is required to be paid by 1<sup>st</sup> February for your child to secure a place on the trip.

### **Year 5 Kingswood Residential for Year 6**

A reminder that the second instalment of £40.00 is due by 1<sup>st</sup> February.

# Nursery News

We have been on a Bear Hunt this week in nursery! First, we read the story 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' and then we went on a real Bear Hunt in the school grounds. We found lots of thick, oozy mud which made the sound 'squelch, squerch' as we walked through it! We have also been singing the song, 'The Bear Went over the Mountain', ask your child to sing it to you.



You may have noticed on our Parent Board that we are beginning to introduce a 'Sign of the week'. Makaton uses signs and symbols to help support the development of spoken language, social interactions and listening and attention skills. Please check the board each week to keep up to date with our latest sign, this week is 'Bear'.

We will continue with the children's enthusiasm for the story next week and also look at some information books about hibernation. We may even make some homes in our garden for our visiting animals to help keep them warm this winter.

## How can you help at home?

The staff have been very impressed with how many children can now put on their own coats. We use a very special method in nursery;

- Toes to the hood
- Hands in the holes
- Over it goes!

You can practise at home. If this is too easy, you could encourage your child to try their own zip.

You could watch Michael Rosen, the author of We're Going on a Bear hunt, perform the story together at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0gyl6ykDwds>

If you go on a Bear Hunt this weekend, we would love to see a photo Parents@loadlandsprimary.net

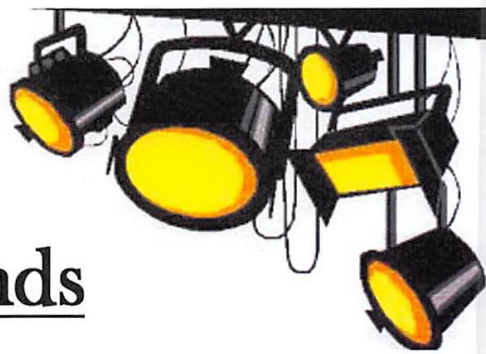
Borrow a book from our library as often as you wish, no need to record anything, when you have finished with it just return it and swap it for another.

## Important Dates

Every Friday - We would love you to join us for Sing-a-long at 11.20am and 3.20pm  
Stay and Play – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February, 10.30-11.30am and 2.30-3.30pm, all Parent/Carers and siblings welcome.

Last day of Term - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February





# Loatlands Disco



Date - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February

Reception, Year 1 and 2

3.30pm to 4.30pm

£2.50 per child (via SchoolMoney)

includes a bottle of water, sweets, and entrance

Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

5pm to 6pm

£2.50 per child (via SchoolMoney)

includes a bottle of water, sweets, and entrance

Come along with your friends and enjoy an after school event

All children must be collected and are not allowed to walk home by themselves



**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

**2020 – 2021 Term dates**

**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