



Langtons Infant School Newsletter

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Dear Parents & Carers,

10th January 2019

Welcome back, I hope you all had a great break. It was lovely to see the children so eager to rush through the gates on Monday. I am looking forward to the term ahead. Please remember to check the dates for you diary for any upcoming events.

Homework

Following on from our parent workshop at the end of November, I am pleased to inform you that we have restructured how homework is set. As explained in the workshop, homework will be set half-termly, with activities for the children to complete. Please note, your child does not need to complete **all** activities. Spellings are now sent out half-termly for Year 1 and 2. Alongside this, homework will still be set on Purple Mash and we encourage children to use Bug Club regularly. At the end of each half-term, parents will have the opportunity to come and see our homework!

If you have any questions regarding the homework, please feel free to come to the hall on Tuesday at 3.10pm for a 15 minute question and answer session.

New Parent Governor

Following the recent communication regarding our Parent Governor vacancy, we are delighted to inform you that Mrs. Walker, who currently has a child in Year R, has volunteered to take up the post. We are sure you would like to join us in welcoming her to our Governing Body and we look forward to working with her.

'Join up January' – good news from libraries!

Havering Library Service no longer charge children library fines for books taken out on their tickets and as it's 'Join up January' we hope this will encourage you to join your child to your local library and take advantage of all the thousands of free story books, factual books and e-books that it offers. Reading for pleasure is an important part of your child's development and helps them to develop socially, cognitively and emotionally.

'Because everything changes when we read'. *Reading Agency*

Dates for your diary

Please see below 'Dates for your diary' for the Spring Term. There will be more dates added as we go along, so please keep checking.

Starting Reception 2019

If you have a child who is starting Reception in 2019, or know anyone who has a child born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015, please remember that applications for Reception places have to be in by next week **Tuesday, 15th January 2019**.

Please go to www.havering.gov.uk/admissions for further details.

Year 2 – Year 3 Transfer

Please remember that you have to apply for a place in a Junior school by next week **Tuesday, 15th January 2019**. If you have any questions, please come and see the office.

ATTENDANCE

Please remember, you **must** inform the school by telephone or email on the first day of your child's absence. For safeguarding we require, in addition to your own contact details, at least two additional emergency contacts. Mrs. McGlinchey, our Family Support Worker, will be available to answer any questions you may have regarding attendance.

The overall attendance compared to the previous newsletter has gone down from 95.86% to 95.85% which means, unfortunately, that we are now further below our target of 96%.

The attendance for 19.12.18-9.1.19 was as follows:

Yr R Ash	96.53%	Yr 1 Cedar	98.21%	Yr 2 Beech	100%
Yr R Oak	84.87%	Yr 1 Elm	96.67%	Yr 2 Maple	96.25%
				Yr 2 Willow	95.16%



Well done to Beech class – 100%!

LET'S CELEBRATE THE CHILDREN'S SUCCESS!

Each week we have a **Star Writer** and **Maths Champion** from each class.

This week our...

Star Writers are:



Yr R Ash	Lily
Yr R Oak	Shania
Yr 1 Cedar	Janelle
Yr 1 Elm	Teddy
Yr 2 Beech	Ezekiel
Yr 2 Maple	Jamal
Yr 2 Willow	Jack

Maths Champions are:



Yr R Ash	Hannah
Yr R Oak	Kaiden
Yr 1 Cedar	Liam
Yr 1 Elm	James
Yr 2 Beech	Harry
Yr 2 Maple	Teri-Leigh
Yr 2 Willow	Tomas



Nursery – Star Worker of the Week

Emilia for great number work



Children who have received a **Headteacher's sticker** and will be getting a **postcard** home are:



Amelie W, Emilia C, Imogen C, Jamal M, Saoirse C – well done!

Dates for your Diary – Spring Term 19

DATE	EVENT	PARENTS INVITED
Monday 21 st January	Reception – Maths workshop and sharing afternoon 1.15-2.45pm	All Reception parents in hall
Tuesday 22 nd January	Year 1 - Maths workshop and sharing afternoon 1.15-2.45pm	All Year 1 parents in hall
Wednesday 23 rd January	Year 2 - Maths workshop and sharing afternoon 1.15-2.45pm	All Year 2 parents in hall
Thursday 7 th February	FOLIS movie night after school No Football After School Club	Details to follow
Monday 11 th February	Non-Uniform Day – Around the World Please bring a donation of £1 International food tasting after school 3.00-4.30pm	Non-uniform (please dress as someone from another country) £1 donation All parents and pupils welcome in hall
Monday 18 th February – Friday 22 nd February	Spring Half Term Holiday	-----
Monday 25 th February	Inset day - School closed to children	-----
Tuesday 26 th February	Back to school - Start of Spring 2 nd Half Term 2018-2019	-----

W/b Monday 4 th March	Book Week	-----
Wednesday 6 th March	Bedtime Stories	Details to follow
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day – Non-Uniform Dress as a book character Please bring a donation of £1	Non-Uniform £1 donation
Tuesday 12 th March	Reception – Physical Development and Writing workshop 2.15-2.45pm in hall	All Year R parents
Wednesday 13 th March	Year 2 - Cross curricular writing and SATS information workshop 2.15-2.45pm	All Year 2 Parents
Thursday 14 th March	Year 1 - Phonics and writing workshop 2.15-2.45pm in hall	All Year 1 Parents
Monday 18 th March	Parent / Teacher Consultations 3.30-5.00pm	Details to follow
Wednesday 20 th March	Parent / Teacher Consultations 3.30-7.00pm	Details to follow
Monday 15 th April – Friday 26 th April	Easter Holiday	-----
Monday 29 th April	Back to school - start of Summer Term	-----