

# Leadgate Primary School – Friday Newsletter

*Caring, Sharing, Learning Together*

**Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

## This day in history

**1745** At the Drury Lane Theatre, London, God Save the King, the national anthem, was sung for the first time. The score used was prepared by the composer of Rule Britannia.

**1884** Simon Marks, a Polish immigrant, and Yorkshireman Tom Spencer opened their Penny Bazaar in Leeds, setting the foundations for Marks and Spencer.



## Whole School Attendance

Year 1 = 98.1%  
Year 2 = 95.7%  
Year 3 = 96.3%  
Year 4 = 98.0%  
Year 5 = 98.9%  
Year 6 = 94.8%



## Congratulations

Well Done Year 1 for the best attendance in Lower School and Year 5 for the best attendance in Upper School.

**Our school target is 96%.**

## Calendar Dates

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October – Year 3 Class Assembly, 9.10am  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October – New Nursery Starters First Day  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October – Year 4 Class Assembly, 9.10am  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5 Class Assembly, 9.10am  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October – Year 6 Class Assembly, 9.10am  
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Year 2 Class Assembly, 9.10am  
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Lower School Parents Evening, 3.20 – 6.00pm  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Year 1 Class Assembly, 9.10am  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Upper & Lower School Parents Evening, 3.20 – 6.00pm  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Reception Class Assembly, 9.10am  
**CANCELLED replaced with NEW EYFS Stay and Play**  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Upper School Parents Evening, 3.20 – 6.00pm  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Assembly, 10.30am (no parents to attend)

**October Half Term Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October**

## SATS Dates 2019

**Year 6 SATS – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May**

The spelling, punctuation and grammar (Spag) on Monday 13 May 2019.  
The reading test will be taken on Tuesday 14 May 2019.  
Maths papers 1 and 2 will be taken on Wednesday 15 May 2019.  
Maths paper 3 will be taken on Thursday 16 May 2019.  
  
The KS1 test period will be in May, and the phonics check week will start on 10 June 2019.



## Grants for School Shoes and Coats

With Winter fast approaching we would like parents to be mindful of the available grant for shoes and coats. Thornhill Primary now administers the School Benevolent Fund on behalf of all schools across County Durham. This is a registered charity which offers a grant towards shoes and coats for school pupils.

A grant of up to £35.00 can be awarded towards a winter coat and up to £35.00 for a pair of shoes depending on parents/guardians meeting a number of criteria.

To apply for the school benevolent fund, go to <http://www.durham.gov.uk/schoolbenevolentfund> download and complete School Benevolent Fund Application Form and return to:

School Benevolent Fund  
Thornhill Primary School  
Thornhill Gardens  
Shildon  
County Durham  
DL4 1ES  
01388 772 906



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## Mathletics Hall of Fame

1st James M	(Y3)
2nd Lucas A	(Y2)
3rd Brandon J	(Y3)
4 <sup>th</sup> Logan H	(Y3)
5th Maisie- Leigh R	(Y4)

Keep up the good work!

**HALL OF FAME**

## FREE Breakfast Club – Upper School

With the support of grant funding to provide free breakfast club provision, we will be offering free breakfast to all children in Upper School starting on Monday.

**magic  
breakfast**  
fuel for learning

We are delighted to be able to offer children a healthy nutritious breakfast at the beginning of each school day. This will start on Monday with a 'Grab and Go' Breakfast of toasted bagels. Children will be able to attend as usual from 8.40am and access the ICT room where a staff member and helpers from Year 6 will prepare and serve the bagels before children go out onto the yard for pre-school playtime.

Please note that our 'traditional breakfast club' will continue to operate from 8am with the £1.50 charge paying for childcare and contributing towards staff salary costs, which we already subsidise in order to keep the costs as low as possible.

We provide **FREE** 15 hrs childcare for 2 year olds, and 15 or 30 hrs childcare for 3 and 4 year olds!




LEADGATE CHILD CENTRE


Based in the grounds of Leadgate Primary Lower School  
FOR MORE INFO CONTACT US ON 01207 583583 or happysmiles@live.co.uk

## SEND in the Early Years

Friday 5 October 2018  
9.30am – 5.30pm  
Spennymoor Leisure Centre,  
High Street, Spennymoor, Durham DL16 6DB



Local Offer



### SEND in the Early Years

Join us at our fun drop-in event and find out about support available for children aged 0-5 with Special Educational Needs or Disabilities.

There will be information about support from the council, health services, education, local charities and more.

[www.facebook.com/durhamcypn](http://www.facebook.com/durhamcypn)

## Reminder – CONTACT FORMS

Please ensure you return your contact forms to school as soon as possible – this will enable us to update all emergency contact details.



## Upcycling School Uniform

If you have any school uniform items which could be upcycled. Please drop them off at the school office. We would be grateful for any donations.



## Reception Places for September 2019

If your child turns 5 between 1<sup>st</sup> of September 2019 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020 you need to apply for a Reception place for September 2019. This is done through Durham County Council. Please visit [www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions) for further information.

**You still need to apply for a Reception place if your child already attends our Nursery.**