

Leadgate Primary School – Friday Newsletter

Caring, Sharing, Learning Together

Friday, 24th September 2021

This day in history

1957 BBC Television for schools began



Upcoming Dates

10th October – World Mental Health Day
Monday 11th October – Dogs Trust Visit to both Sites
Friday 15th October - Year 1 Superhero Science workshop
Monday 18th October – Washington Wetland Trust Visit Y6
Week beginning 18th October – Non Curriculum Team Building Day

Half term Holiday school closes on Friday 22nd October for 1 week – reopens Monday 1st November

Monday 22nd November – Year 6 start 3 day Residential visit
Monday 29th November – Year 4 Hancock Museum Visit
Tuesday 7th December – Lower School Christmas Dinner
Friday 10th December – Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 14th December – Upper School Christmas Dinner

School closes Thursday 16th December and Reopens Tuesday 4th January

Further dates to follow as arrangements allow and dates are confirmed

REPEATING DATES

Lower School Music Tuition every Monday for Nursery, Reception and Year 1 (changing to Year 2 after Half Term)

Upper School Music Tuition – Every Wednesday Afternoon – Year 5 and 6 Until February Half Term (then changing to Year 3 and 4)

Year 6 Swimming Every Thursday until Christmas

School Photos

We are hoping to have school photos back again this year. We are still waiting for confirmation of dates which will be some time in November. We will send out further details nearer to the time.



Whole School Attendance

Year 1 = 97.2%
Year 2 = 94.6%
Year 3 = 99.3%
Year 4 = 95.5%
Year 5 = 86.3%
Year 6 = 88.3%



Congratulations

Well Done Year 1 for the best attendance in Lower School and Year 3 for the best attendance in Upper School.

Our school target is 97%.

Year 5 Trip

Year 5 enjoyed a great day at the Hancock Museum in Newcastle. They visited the Planetarium as part of the topic on the solar system. It is lovely to be able to go out on school trips again and we look forward to many more.

Morrisons – It's Good to Grow

FREE gardening equipment for our school
Our school has recently registered for Morrisons 'It's Good to Grow' campaign. For every £10 you spend (in store or online) at Morrisons, you'll get a Grow Token to help our school get everything we need to get growing. You can download the MyMorrisons app today to start collecting Grow Tokens and choose our school to donate to or simply send in the vouchers as you collect them.



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Secondary School Places for September 2022

If your child is in Year 6 and will be transferring to secondary school in September 2022, you must apply for their school place before October 31st 2021. This is done through Durham County Council.

Please visit www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions for further information.

When you apply on-line you will receive an acknowledgement and you will be offered a school place for your child by email on 1st March 2022. Late applications may not receive their first choice school. As Consett Academy was oversubscribed last year we would advise you to apply as soon as possible, if this is your first choice.



Starting School

**Will your child turn 5 between
1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023?**

If so, you need to complete an application online to tell us which school you would like your child to attend from September 2022.

Visit www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions where you can access a useful guide to help with your application. We encourage you to apply online wherever possible as although restrictions have been lifted, staff will in the main be working from home due to the Coronavirus pandemic. If you are unable to apply online, paper application forms are available on request.

You still need to apply even if your child attends the nursery unit attached to the school, or already has a sibling at the school. You will also need to apply for a place in Year 3 in a junior school for an older child.

Applications open 6 September 2021 and close midnight 15 January 2022.

For more information please contact

School Places and Admissions Team
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Tree Surgeon on Lower School site Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th September

Dear Parents / Carers,

We will be undertaking essential tree works on Lower school site on Monday from 8am.

Can you please ensure that children do not access the playing field at Lower School site at any time when dropping off and collecting and are supervised at all times.

The works are necessary as Ash Trees on our boundary have suffered Ash Die Back disease and pose a future risk to our children and our neighbour's properties. At the same time we will be removing shrub overgrowth from along our boundary with Baker Street.

Can I also ask that if you are parking on West Street that you please keep clear of the double gate access on the corner opposite the Gym building.

Many thanks for your understanding and assistance in this matter.



Breakfast Club

Just a reminder that we have reopened breakfast club this term for parents requiring this provision on both sites. Breakfast club runs from 8am. Lower school children should be dropped off at the main reception door at lower school, and Upper school children should be dropped off at the Year 6 porch door. Breakfast club is available to children from Reception to Year 6, however Reception children can only attend once they are at school for full days.

The cost of breakfast club remains £1.50 per day per child. Please contact the Office if you require a space on either site.

