



Newsletter

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Attendance

Reg	Average
Rec	90.4
Year 1	92.5
Year 2	93.4
Year 3	93.1
Year 4	97.7
Year 5	94.7
Year 6	94.5
Nursery AM	81.3
Nursery PM	87.1
School Average	91.6

Week beginning 9th January 2017
Well done to Year 4 who has the highest attendance of 97.7 percent. I have highlighted Nursery AM, Nursery PM as well as Reception, year 1, year 2 and year 3 as their attendance is far too low. Please remember to send your child to school every day.

Dear Parents/ Carers

Happy New Year to everyone!

I hope everyone had a good break and you are all ready for the new term. Although this term is quite short we have a lot to pack in.

Thank you to all of you who returned your questionnaires – there was a very positive response from everyone and some very good questions and comments. This information will be passed to the governors as they make their decision about whether we should become an academy.

We will end this term with our annual Spring Festival.

Fiona Cullen
Head Teacher

Term Time Leave:

Changes in the law mean that the Head Teacher no longer has discretion to allow pupils to take term time leave. If you take your child out of school for any reason you will receive a fine for £60 per child per parent. This means that the mum will be fined £60 for each child and the dad will be fined £60 for each child.

The government monitors school attendance. They look at persistent absence. If your child has attendance of 90% or less they are deemed persistent absences and we are asked to follow this up and refer to the Local Authority who could take you to court. At court the penalty is either a very large fine £1000 or imprisonment. Please avoid keeping your child off school unless they are very sick and certainly DO NOT TAKE THEM OUT OF SCHOOL WHEN THE SCHOOL IS OPEN. Please wait until the holidays

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 1st March - Parent Review Day – children only attend their appointment –

13th -17th February - School closed for Half Term

13th – 17th March SPRING FESTIVAL WEEK (details to follow)

3rd April to 18th April – School Closed Easter Holiday



Roll of Honour

This is a special board next to Ms Cull's office. If a child does something special outside school or becomes a times table titan their photograph will be displayed for everyone to see.

Aminah Ahmed M8 Times Table Titan
Ayra Qureshi T8 Times Table Titan
Amna Ikram T4 Times Table Titan
Zara Ahmed M8 Times Table Titan
Kapisha Thavayogarajan M2 Times Table Titan
Keerthika Baskaran M2 Times Table Titan
Muadh Masoon M4 Times Table Titan
Kaneeshker Ramakrishna T7 Times Table Titan
Hariny Mayuravarathan M3 Times Table Titan

Jeris Kirirasan T6 A* in English Competition
Kabilan Satheeswaran T7 A in English Competition

Raveena Ratheesan G1 Level 1 and 2 Gold Medals in Chess Challenge

Ali Samazada M6 Achieved Level 1 Gold Medal in Chess Challenge

Jeris Kirirasan T6 Achieved Level 1 Gold Medal in Chess Challenge

Ramanuja Ramkumar T8 Level 1 and 2 Gold Medals in Chess Challenge

Divvaani Dayananda M3 Level 1 Gold Medals in Chess Challenge

Muadh Masoon M4 Passed Islamic Exam
Jayleen Kaur T7 Achieved Level 8 Gymnastics Award

Opportunities for Parents

English Conversation Club for parents and carers

Every week starting on Wednesday 18th January 14.00 – 15.15

This informal group meets every week and offers the chance for you to practise conversational English with other parents and carers. If you know some English but feel anxious about speaking, these friendly sessions will help to improve your confidence. Don't worry about whether your English is good enough, just come along on a Wednesday afternoon and give it a try. If you have any questions please contact Jenny Wheeler, Family Support Worker, at school.

New Building

I'm sure you have all seen that the builders have started work on the new building which is very exciting. The foundations have nearly been completed and the concrete for the base of the building will be laid very soon.

The contractors are keen that we are kept informed and are meeting with Mrs Silk each Friday. They are also keen that you are kept informed and will be giving out leaflets and putting notices on the gates so that you can see the progress. Watch this space for photos and more details each week

Attendance

I am very, very worried that our school attendance is slipping to such a low level. Attendance is the single most important factor in your child's success. It is important that your child attends school every day without fail. We expect the staff to be in every day and by the same token we expect the children to be in every day too. There are treats for those children who come in every day and have 100% attendance.

Attendance that is lower than 90% are called "persistent absence" and you will be called to school for a meeting about this.

Children must attend every day!

Chicken Pox

Children must attend school after the blisters have scabbed over. This usually takes 5 or 6 days. You do not have to stay at home until all the spots disappear.

Triple P – Positive Parenting Program

Starts at Nelson school on Thursday 2nd February at 13.15. What is it?

Triple P is one of the most effective evidence-based parenting programs in the world, backed up by more than 30 years of ongoing research. It is currently used in 25 countries and has been shown to work across cultures, socio-economic groups and in many different kinds of family structure.

Group Triple P is for parents and carers of children up to Year 5 who would like to, confidently manage their children's behaviour, prevent problems developing, build strong, healthy relationships within the family
How can I join?

Look out for a letter from school next week.

