



Nelson Primary School
Inspiring Ambition, Achieving Success

Newsletter

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Attendance

Reg	Average
Rec	94.4
Year 1	95.2
Year 2	95.7
Year 3	97.3
Year 4	98.6
Year 5	97.2
Year 6	97.6
Nursery AM	87.5
Nursery PM	97.5
School Average	95.6

Week beginning 31st October 2016. Well done to Year 6 who have the highest attendance of 98.6 percent. I have highlighted reception and Nursery am whose attendance is far too low. Please remember to send your child to school every day.

Dear Parents/ Carers

Today is Remembrance Day. All the children in the school have observed a period of silence to commemorate those who have died in war. I hope you will be able to talk to your children about the significance of the poppy. You may wish to take your child to the event at the Cenotaph in central London or the East Ham commemoration in Central Park.

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 16th November - Presentation about the new building.

Tuesday 6th December to Friday 9th December – Christmas performances

Tuesday 6th December - KS1

Wednesday 7th December - EYFS

Thursday 8th December - Top Floor

Friday 9th December - Middle Floor

21st Dec – 4th January - School closed - Christmas 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:

Amena Rahman T4-5 Times Table Titan

Winners following in Shakespeare's footsteps

Congratulations to the winners of our Shakespeare Competition. All the winners have been invited to visit the Globe theatre in London. The theatre where Shakespeare had his plays performed. It will be a very prestigious occasion – well done to all those who entered.



Meeting about the new building

We are delighted that our new building has been approved by the planning committee and we can start work on this project.

Please come to school next **Wednesday 16th November 2016 at 4.30pm**, to find out what it is all about. The designers and the building contractors will be in school to answer questions and tell you all about what is going to happen. I am very pleased that members of the school council will be coming to start the questions off. The building contractors are very keen to work with us and the community to make this a remarkable extension to our school.

Visit from the Chair of Governors

Diana Green MBE visited school on Tuesday to present the Year 5 Maths Challengers with a commemorative photograph of the Launch of the Junior Tax Facts. You will be able to see the photograph on display in Reception.



Made of Money course for parents and carers

There are still a few places on this useful course. Come along to the next session if you would like to join us. It will be on **Wednesday 16th November 9.15 – 11.15 in the Community Room**

Refreshments will be provided

The relaxed group sessions will use taste tests, games and activities to help you

- **Gain confidence around managing credit, debt, bills and budgets**
- **Save money**
- **Improve communication with your family around finance**
- **Give your kids a head start by helping them learn about money**



