



Nelson Primary School
Inspiring Ambition, Achieving Success

Newsletter

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Attendance

From next week we will be reporting the attendance figures to you. We expect every child to attend school every day. The holiday dates are published on our website so please do not book holidays when you know the school is open. We have 12 weeks holiday per year; it is expected that you go away at those times. We have a treat for all those children who have 100% attendance each term. At the end of the year children who have 100% attendance for the whole year are invited to a special tea party.

Dear Parents/ Carers

Welcome back to the new term. The children have settled into school well and are working incredibly hard.

Next week is our school fete. We would like you to bring your children, family and friends, and join in with this fun community event. If you would like to run a stall or help out in any way we would love to have you. Please contact Mrs Pain via Reception.

Thank you for supporting our uniform policy. Almost every child is wearing the correct shoes. Please remember that we only allow plain black shoes or trainers – if your child is wearing black shoes with any other colour we will be asking you to replace them.

Fiona Cullen
Head Teacher

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 14 th Sept	School Fete
Wednesday 21 st Sept	World Peace Day Assembly
Friday 21 st Oct	Trafalgar Day
Mon 24 th Oct – Fri 28 th Oct	School Closed- Half Term
Wednesday 9 th Nov	Parent Review Day
21 st Dec – 4 th January	School closed - Christmas Holiday

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.



Eid ul Adha

I'd like to wish all our Muslims a happy Eid for Monday 12th September. Some parents have asked if the school will be closed on that day. The school will not be closed but as it is a religious observance Muslim children will be given an authorised absence on the official Eid day if their **parents write in to request this**. Children will still be able to have 100% if they take this day off.

Summer Reading Challenge

I was very pleased to see, during the holidays, that Nelson Primary School was top of the Reading Challenge competition in East Ham Library. The competition finishes on 14th September so don't forget to complete your challenge and get it registered at the library. If we win it will be the third time in a row!



Do NOT park on the Zig Zag lines outside school!

I am getting increasingly concerned that parents are parking on the zig-zag lines outside school. This is against the law. The yellow zig zags are put outside schools so that parents and children can cross the roads safely.

Please try to leave your car at home and walk to school it is healthier for you and your child and stops the congestion around the school.

Next week there will be details of the competition for children to design a banner to persuade people not to park on the Yellow Zig-Zag lines.

Breakfast Club and After School Child Care (ESP)

We still have places at these clubs.

Breakfast Club is from 7-30am to the start of school. Your child can arrive at any time and breakfast is served up until 8.15am. School staff will then take your child into school. This is £2 per day.

Our after school child care takes place every day in the dining room. The children complete their homework and have a snack. There are many lovely activities for them to join in with. The cost each day is £7. We close this club at 6pm.

Please take advantage of this child care it is very reasonable compared to child minders and other wrap around care and is on school premises with our own staff that your children will know.

Beat the Street

Thank you to all those who took part in the Beat the Street Competition. We were 7th out of 90 schools/health centres that took part and although we did not win many people began to use this as a way of leaving their car behind and walking between the touch-in posts.

Please keep this up. We are working to reduce the number of cars driving around our school.

Beat the Street facts:

- We walked 1764 miles
- Our points total was 35280
- Our most active day was 20/7/16 with 2230 points
- 805 members of our school community (pupils/staff/parents) registered and took part.