



Nelson Primary School

Inspiring Ambition, Achieving Success

Newsletter

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The importance of excellent attendance

190 days 100% Very best chance of success	183 days 96% Off to a flying start	179 days 94% Less chance of success	175 days 92% Harder to make progress	More than 18 days absence Less than 905 Persistent Absentee (Not fair on your child)
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Nurs AM	Nurs PM	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
81.5	75.4	839.	87.8	90.3	91.6	94.7	91.6	92.8

Remember we take attendance very seriously at Nelson Primary – if you are not in school you are missing out on all of the amazing things happening ... as well as seeing your friends!

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, year six have been practising doing their SATs tests. They have all worked very hard and teachers are looking forward to sharing their results with parents.

Learning Review Day for all children is coming up on Wednesday next week. You must come to school with your child on this day so that the teachers can talk to you about how well your child is doing. Year 2 - 6 will also find out how well they did in their tests. Children should come to school at the time of their appointment dressed in full school uniform. We will also have the lost property out in Reception for you to collect. There will be some second hand uniform for sale too.

Fiona Cullen
Head Teacher

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.

Delaksa Elangcheliyan - G7 - Math Magicians
Khirushanaa Ravindran - G7 - Math Magicians
Faiza Suriya M2 – Times Table Titan



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

Nelson Spring Festival - Find your voice

String Concert, Monday 19th March, 3.45pm (*Violin and Cello*)

Woodwind and Brass concert, Tuesday 20th March 3.45pm (*Clarinet, Flute, Trumpet and Trombone*)

Vocal Performance, Drama and Dance, Wednesday 21st March, 3.45pm (*Selected classes and clubs*)

Choral Concert, Thursday 22nd March, 3.45pm (*EYFS, Infant, Junior and Senior Choirs*)

Ensemble concert, Friday 23rd March, 3.45pm (*Orchestra, East Ham Groove, Recorder Club, Digital Music Club*)

Don't forget - you need to buy tickets, so book early to avoid disappointment!

Dates for your diary

14th March – Learning Review day – **children only attend for their appointment**

19th - 23rd March Spring Festival – details to follow
30th March to 13th April – **School Closed for Easter Holiday**

Thursday 3rd May – School closed for local elections

Friday 4th May – School open - all should attend

Monday 7th May – School closed for May Day bank holiday

Be on time for school.

It is very important that the children come to school on time every day. As soon as the doors close at 8.50 the children begin their learning; please make sure your child is there!

Please get your child to get their equipment ready the night before and make sure they go to bed early enough to get up at the right time.

At the Learning Review Day next week, I will be meeting with parents whose children have a high number of lates. Not only that but children who are late are embarrassed when they walk into their classroom which can upset them. They also miss their break time.

Please give your child the BEST chance to do well. Aim to be at school as the doors open at 8.40am

Read to me venture

It was lovely to present certificates to some of our reception children this week.

It has been proven that the more you read to your children the better readers they will become themselves. Please try to enjoy a book with your child – perhaps just before they go to sleep. It is a way of relaxing and will help them to become a better reader!

Mathematical Magicians

and

Times Table Titans

Don't forget to help your child to learn their maths facts. Most of the marks in maths tests rely on your child knowing the number facts and times tables. If they don't know these they will not do as well as they could. Every child in year 4, 5 and 6 is expected to know their times tables!

