



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 90% Persistent Absentee (Not fair on your child)
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Week beginning 24th September 2018

Nurs AM	Nurs PM	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
98.5	84.7	97.9	97.8	95.5	99.1	97.3	98.9	97.1

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 we have been privileged to welcome Onjali Rauf to school. She was inspirational and the children really enjoyed listening to her. It was so lovely to welcome back an ex-pupil.

Many of you will have seen on the news that the false widow spiders have appeared in some schools. Please rest assured that, after our experience in the summer, we will continue to be vigilant and keep your children and our staff safe.

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 or a Maths Magician their photograph will be displayed for everyone to see.

Khirushanaa Y3 – Times Table Titan
Abdalla Y4 – Times Table Titan
Charan Y3 – Times Table Titan
Delaksa Y3 – Times Table Titan
Aswitha Y3 – Times Table Titan
Zahra Y5 – Times Table Titan



Year 5 go to space

Year 5 really enjoyed their visit to the space dome. Whilst they were inside they learned lots about the planets and solar systems - why not challenge them to answer your quiz questions about space.

Clubs

Clubs started this week and are all full. I understand that some of you might be disappointed that your child didn't get the club that they wanted. Most clubs were oversubscribed meaning there will be some disappointments. However, Mrs Pain is trying to find alternatives wherever possible. I'm sure you'll join me in thanking the staff for giving up their time voluntarily to run these clubs for your children.

Signing Passports

Please be aware that staff at Nelson are unable to sign Passport Application Forms for your children.

The Head Teacher is able to sign Home Office Application Forms.

Gates

Please be aware that Mr Booth, our site supervisor, has been instructed to close the gates at 8.50am as soon as the bell goes.

Please make sure that you drop your child in the playground and then leave. The main gate remains open for adults to exit from.

Competition

We are very concerned that a lot of adults are smoking outside the school fences. Many of the children have complained that they can smell cigarette smoke and they are worried it will make them ill.

Jayleen came up with the idea of having a competition to design a poster asking adults not to smoke near the school.

We would like you to design a poster with a slogan telling people not to smoke near our school. We will choose one winner from each year group and get their poster made into large posters to place on the fences around the school. Please use A4 size paper for your poster and give them to the school office. The closing date for this is Friday 12th October 2018 at 12 noon. There will be a house point for every entry.

Please collect your child at 3.15pm

Please ensure that you have made arrangements to collect your child at 3.15pm – From now on I will be meeting with parents who have collected their child late on more than two occasions. At the meeting we will discuss the issues you are facing but if there are still no improvements it is likely that your child will be placed in the after school childcare provision (ESP) and you will be charged £8 each time.

It is much better if you get your child care organised.

Dates for your diary

Monday 22nd October to Friday 26th October –
School Closed for Half Term

Monday 29th October
School Closed for staff training
Wednesady 21st November

Learning Review day – Children only attend for their appointment