

East Ardsley Primary Academy Newsletter

15/02/ 2019

Menu Week no: 1



Attendance: Congratulations to class 9 who had 99.3% attendance this week - you were our attendance stars. Well Done to you all!

What we have been up to this week:-

We have had a busy run up to the end of the half-term with D:side in running both internet safety and drug awareness workshops with the children all week.

The children have been given all the information they need to ensure they know how to keep themselves safe when they use the internet including when they are on their phones. However it is clear that parents need to monitor carefully what sites and social media formats their children are using. Remember you are giving your child access to the whole world when they go on the internet and no safety measures or parental controls are 100% fool proof.

Class F2B shared lots of the fun and interesting things that they have been learning this half-term in their assembly. It was a bit of a rush, but Mrs Hirst managed to fit in all the merits and certificates too. We are confident that the format will work moving forward. Our thanks go to Miss Hinchliffe and the children for their hard work.

Unfortunately parking remains a massive issue outside of our school. There is no excuse for parking on the double yellow lines outside of school, for blocking people's driveways or for being rude to members of the public who challenge poor parking. If you are collecting your child from our school and cannot find a parking space please park in the Community Centre car-park and walk up to school. Stop putting our children in danger by parking irresponsibly.

We have an increasing number of parents who are lying about taking their children out of school in term time for holidays. We are really stringent on attendance at our school and we make no apology for that. However we also teach the children the importance of being honest and working with school to resolve any concerns they have. This is being damaged by parents telling children to lie to us. If you want to take your children out of school in school time please complete the necessary form and, if necessary, pay the fine.

Miss Sadiha will be leaving us today as Miss Holdsworth is now back in full time. We'd like to thank Miss Sadiha for all her hard work in keeping Class 1 on track this half term and wish her the best of luck.

We will also be getting a new site manager after the half-term. 'Mr Graeme' who has been with us this half-term has done a fabulous job and we are very grateful to him and wish him the best of luck too.

Finally I'd like to apologise for the late opening of the doors this morning. We have a number of teachers on courses today which delayed the start of day routines.

Ms Talbot

Dates for your Diary

15.2.19	School closes
25.2.19	School opens
26.2.19	KS2 Merit Assembly
27.2.19	KS1/F2 Merit Assembly
5.3.19	Open Day from 1pm
5.3.19	Governors Meeting 6pm
6.3.19	Class 4 Assembly
7.3.19	World Book Day
8.3.19	Cross-country tournament
12.3.19	KS2 Merit Assembly
13.3.19	KS1/F2 Merit Assembly
14.3.19	Woodkirk Performance Y5/6
14.3.19	Trustees Meeting 6pm
15.3.19	Comic Relief Day
18.3.19	Y3 Dodgeball tournament
19.3.19	KS2 Merit Assembly
19.3.19	Y4 Skipping competition
20.3.19	KS1/F2 Merit Assembly
22.3.19	PTFA Dress Down Day
25.3.19	Mother's Day Gift Week
26.3.19	Class 8 Assembly
27.3.19	Class 1 Assembly
29.3.19	Y4,5,6 Swimming Gala
2.4.19	KS2 Concert Y5 and Y3 2pm
3.4.19	KS2 Concert Y5 and Y4 2pm
4.4.19	KS2 Concert Y5 and Y4 2pm
5.4.19	School closes
23.4.19	School opens
23.4.19	KS2 Merit Assembly
24.4.19	F2B Assembly
30.4.19	KS2 Merit Assembly
1.5.19	KS1/F2 Merit Assembly
6.5.19	School Closed May Day
7.5.19	KS2 Merit Assembly
8.5.19	Class 3 Assembly

World Book Day

Thursday 7th March

For World Book Day, Team Griffin have organised a 'Bedtime Story' themed day. We are encouraging the whole school to come to school in their pyjamas. We are also asking them to bring their favourite bedtime story book in with them. On the day, the children can share their book with others and tell them what it is about.

Book Swap

We are also organising a book swap on the day. This is a great way for children to read other books they may not choose themselves. This will be held in year groups, but we do need to stress that this will be **a permanent book swap**. Children do not have to swap books if they don't want to – it is completely optional.

We hope you guys are looking forward to World Book Day. If you want to know more, please talk to your child's teacher.

Thank you,

Joshua Akiti and Skye Cowburn-Nelson

Team Griffin Captains

Open Day Booking System - 5th March 2019

The on-line booking system will be open on 25th February 2019 from 10.00 am for Parents/Carers to book to come to one of the available afternoon sessions and also, if required, a 5 minute individual parent consultation which will take place between 4.00 pm – 6.00 pm on the same day.

You will need to log onto <https://eastardsley.parentseveningsystem.co.uk> to book the appointments. If you require any help or do not have access to the internet, please contact the school office and an appointment will be made for you.

KS1/KS2

Sessions:

1.00 – 1.45pm	Session 1
1.45 – 2.30pm	Session 2
2.30 – 2.45pm	Break – parents/carers will be served tea and coffee in the hall
2.45 – 3.30pm	Session 3

Please note the times are different for the Foundation Classes, F2A and F2B:

Sessions:

12.45 – 1.30 pm	Session 1
1.30 - 2.15 pm	Session 2
2.15 - 3.30 pm	Session 3

Individual Parent Consultations in the hall: 4 – 6pm.

Headlice

Please note we have headlice in school again therefore could you please check your child/children and if necessary treat the whole family. Thank you.

Valentines Disco

The PTFA raised £400 at the Valentines Disco.

Nursery Places

If you require a place for your child to start Nursery from September 2019 onwards, please make sure your application form is handed in at the school office before the deadline date of **31st March 2019**. Any applications received after this date will be placed on the waiting list.

Vacancy

Relief Cleaning Staff required to cover sickness and holidays

Hours of work 4pm to 7pm when required

Current hourly rate £7.83

Please contact Mike Hall 07525 392585 for further information and a job specification.

Helpful telephone numbers- Leeds Anti - Social Behaviour Team: 0113 222 4402

Childline: 0800 11 11 Leeds Domestic Violence 24 hour helpline: 0113 2 460401

Out of hours service for ongoing noise 6.00 pm -3.30 am: 0113 395 0143

NSPCC: 0808 810 800 Leeds Domestic Violence 24 hour helpline: 0113 2460401

Home Start-Support and friendship for families 0113 244 2419 or email office@home-startleeds.co.uk



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PWA Journey so far...

Some of our children from Years 4, 5 and 6 have just started out on their Prince William Award Journey. The programme will last 36 weeks and will help the learners to explore and develop their character. In the PWA there are 22 qualities that we believe are important to ensure you can be your best self. Through activities, encouraging the whole group to work closely together, both inside and out of the classroom, these life skills will help the children to reach their full potential. They have made a fabulous start to the programme and have really enjoyed everything they have done so far.

Term One focuses on Character Development. We have been looking at what skills are required to be a successful team member. The Explorers have taken part in activities that encourage them to support and look after each other. Frenzy was a favourite as the children had to deal with a lot of frustration, however using their self-control and problem solving skills; they were able to work through the frustration and in many cases use this, to achieve their goal at the end of the activity.