

# East Ardsley Primary Academy Newsletter

13/09/ 2019

Menu Week no: 2



**Attendance:** Congratulations to classes F2B, 1 and 5 who had 100% attendance this week - you were our attendance stars. Well Done to you all!

## What we have been up to this week:-

We have had an incredibly busy this week focussing on further developing the teaching of reading across our school. Mrs Mullen and Miss Lidgate have been working with Matt Dawson from Blenheim Primary School to explore how we can make the changes necessary to ensure our reading outcomes improve at the end of Key Stage 2.

It has been a very productive week, and we have already had our first staff meeting to feedback the changes that need to be made and to share our intent in raising the profile of reading in school once again.

We have also had our first Local Governing Board meeting to reflect on the strategies we have in place to ensure the children make good progress and attain well at our school. This year we are focussing on building the intent behind our curriculum to ensure we continue to have the broad and balanced curriculum we pride ourselves on, with all the fun learning opportunities, but that we are clear on how they will support the children and help with their development.

Not to be outdone the PTFA had their first meeting of the year as well and have planned out a number of fun activities for the children across the year. There is a mix of in and out of school activities that will help to raise some additional money for school to spend on some fun activities and additions to the curriculum.

Unfortunately the weather has been against us at times this week and some children (and staff too) have been caught out and not brought a raincoat. We go outdoors in all weathers unless the rain is torrential so please make sure your child brings their waterproofs every day. Remember: There is no bad weather, only inadequate clothing.

I have already received complaints about the parking outside of school, particularly cars blocking access to the new houses by double parking. Remember you can park at the Community Centre and walk up if you need to. Get those steps in and keep our community safe and happy.

**Ms Talbot**

## Dates for your Diary

17.9.19	Year 5 Trip to Chester Zoo
17.9.19	KS2 Merit Assembly
18.9.19	Y6 Bikeability Week starts
18.9.19	EYFS/KS1 Merit Assembly
19.9.19	Bags to School
24.9.19	KS2 Merit Assembly
25.9.19	Y4 Tag Rugby Tournament
25.9.19	EYFS/KS1 Merit Assembly
26.9.19	Woodkirk Academy Open Day
28/29.9.19	Scarecrow Festival
1.10.19	KS2 Merit Assembly
2.10.19	EYFS/KS1 Merit Assembly
8.10.19	KS2 Merit Assembly
9.10.19	Individual Photographs
9.10.19	Trustees Meeting 6pm
15.10.19	Y2 & 4 Pedestrian Training
15.10.19	KS2 Merit Assembly
15.10.19	Y6 Mini Police Initiative
16.10.19	EYFS/KS1 Merit Assembly
17.10.19	Y3 & 5 Scooter Training
17.10.19	KS1 Music Workshop
22.10.19	KS2 Merit Assembly
22.10.19	Resources Committee 5pm
23.10.19	EYFS/KS1 Merit Assembly
24.10.19	School Nurse F2 health-checks
24.10.19	Halloween Disco
25.10.19	School closes
4.11.19	School opens



## **Bags to School**

Just a reminder that **Bags to School** will be collected from school next week on **Thursday 19 September 2019**. School receives a donation for every bag that is returned (based on its weight) so please put all unwanted adults and children clothing, soft toys, paired shoes, hats, belts and hand-bags in the bag and return to school **Thursday 19 September 2019**. There will be an allocated bay in the car park for people to leave the bags. The company will be collecting at 9.00 am on this date so please make sure you leave your filled bag in the car park before this time. Unfortunately we do not have the storage facility to accept filled bags before this date.

## **Aldi Kits for Schools**

We are collecting Aldi Kits for Schools Stickers which will be given to you if you spend over £30. By collecting the stickers we will be given free school sports kits and also have a chance of winning £20,000. Please send your stickers into school.

## **Year 6—Applying for a High School Place**

The application process for secondary school year 7 places starting in September 2020 is open and a link to the on-line application process can be found on Leeds City Council website: <https://www.leeds.gov.uk/residents/children-families-and-carers/schools-and-learning/school-places/admissions-secondary-schools>. Please note that the closing date is on 31st October 2019. It is important that you submit your application before this date.

Because your child attends our school they will have priority for a place at Woodkirk Academy, therefore please ensure that you include this as one of your choices.

After you have applied on line you will receive a confirmation email stating that your preferences have been received (please keep this e-mail). It can take up to 24 hours to receive your confirmation e-mail.

***NB: If you do not receive an acknowledgement email within 24 hours your application has not been completed successfully; you should go back and make sure it is completed properly.***

Offers of school places will be sent out on 2nd March.

The Admissions Team have arranged drop-in sessions to help Year 6 families with the application process and answer questions at several venues across the city this year, alternatively families can contact the Admissions Team on 0113 222 4414.

Date	Venue	Time
Wednesday 18th September	Dewsbury Road Community Hub 190 Dewsbury Road Leeds LS11 6PF	10 am to 12 noon
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	St George's Centre Community Hub St George's Road Leeds LS10 4UZ	10 am to 12 noon
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October	Reginald Centre 263 Chapeltown Road Leeds LS7 3EX	1pm to 3pm
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	Bramley Community Hub Hough Lane Bramley Leeds LS13 3ND	10am to 12 noon
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	Armley Community Hub 2 Stocks Hill Leeds LS12 1UQ	1pm to 3 pm
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	Hunslet Community Hub Waterloo St Leeds LS10 2NS	10:30 to 12 noon
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	City Centre Hub Merrion House Woodhouse Lane Leeds LS2 8LX	10 to 11:30 am
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Compton Centre The Compton Centre Harehills Lane Leeds LS9 7BG	11am to 1pm

**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](mailto:office@home-startleeds.co)