East Ardsley Primary Academy Newsletter

18/10/ 2019 Menu Week no: 2



Attendance: Congratulations to classes F2A and Class 5 who had 98.7% 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 massive focus on road safety this week with Year 2 and 4 completing their pedestrian training and Year 3 and 5 undertaking their scooter training. The children all worked hard and learnt lots about keeping themselves and others safe when using the roads.

We have also had our Year 6 police officers in training; keeping our roads safe by patrolling at the end of the day and recognising where people are not following the highway code and putting children's lives in danger. Please take heed and think carefully about how you drive and where you park when coming to and from school.

A great big thanks from us to the Road Safety Team and Community Policing who have been in school most of the week working with our children; ensuring they are well informed and well trained.

As if that were not enough we had a special music performance and workshop in school for Year 1 and 2 on Thursday. The children were able to experience a high quality performance, 'Skylar's Missing Note', and then to join in lots of fun musical activities to help develop their musical knowledge and understanding. A great time was had by all.

Next week we have loads more fun learning activities planned. On Tuesday it is Key Stage 1's 'Box Day'. The school is filled with cardboard boxes which I assume is related to this and the hall is booked out for the afternoon so it sounds as if it will be lots of fun. It does mean that there will not be a Key Stage 2 Merit Assembly next week to accommodate this.

Year 4 have then also booked out the hall on Thursday afternoon as part of their Greek theme day, so once again lots of fun and shared learning is planned for them.

With so many fantastic learning opportunities every week in our school you can appreciate why we want the children to be here every day possible to join in and maximise their learning.

Ms Talbot

Dates for your Diary

KS1 'Box Dav'

22.10.19

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22.10.19	Resources Committee 5pm	
23.10.19	EYFS/KS1 Merit Assembly	
24.10.19	School Nurse F2 health-checks	
24.10.19	Year 4 Theme Day	
24.10.19	Halloween Disco	
25.10.19	Year 4 Skipping Workshop	
25.10.19	School closes	
4.11.19	School opens	
7.11.19	PTFA Meeting 6pm	
11.11.19	Anti-bullying Week	
14.11.19	Open Day	
19.11.19	KS2 Merit Assembly	
20.11.19	EYFS/KS1 Merit Assembly	
21.11.19	Trustees Meeting 6pm	
25.11.19	Year 6 to Robinwood	
26.11.19	KS2 Merit Assembly	
27.11.19	EYFS/KS1 Merit Assembly	
29.11.19	PTFA Dress Down Day	
3.12.19	KS2 Merit Assembly	
3.12.19	PTFA Film Night	
1.12.19	PTFA Christmas Surprise	
1.12.19	EYFS/KS1 Merit Assembly	
5.12.19	Trustees Meeting 6pm	
9.12.19	KS2 Merit Assembly	
11.12.19	Year 3 Christmas Concert	
17.12.19	Key Stage 1 Christmas Concert	
18.12.19	Nursery Christmas Party Day	
19.12.19	Foundation Stage Nativity	
20.12.19	Christmas Jumper Day	
20.12.19	Christmas party Day	
20.12.19	School closes	
5.1.20	School opens	
31.1.20	Inset Day	

Aldi Kits for Schools

Thank you to everyone for sending in the stickers. We are now onto our 4th poster, so please keep sending the stickers into school. By collecting the stickers we will be given free school sports kits and also have a chance of winning £20,000.

Photographs

The children should now have brought home their proofs and order forms for their photographs. Please make sure any orders are returned to school by Monday 21st October 2019. We will not be able to process any orders received after this date.

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 and will close 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 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 that your preferences have been received (which you should keep). It can take up to 24 hours to receive your confirmation email.

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
Monday 21 st October	Compton Centre	11am to 1pm
	The Compton Centre	
	Harehills Lane	
	Leeds LS9 7BG	

Year 5 Girls Dodgeball Tournament

On Monday morning I was lucky enough to accompany the girls to Rothwell Scout Hut for the annual ACE Year 5 Dodgeball Tournament. All the girls played really well and encouraged each other, I was so proud of them.

Our first game, which we lost, was against Corpus Christie. Then we played White Laith and unfortunately suffered a narrow defeat. After each game the girls confidence grew and in the third game we beat St Anthony's. Our next opponents were Thorpe and this was a really tight game which finished in a draw. We went on to beat Carlton in the fourth game but lost to Ingram Road in the follow game. Next, we played Lawefield (who were crowned the champions) and finished the game with a draw. The last 2 games, against Morley Newlands and Beeston, both finished with a win for us. Well done girls .

MSSA Football League

Also on Monday were the next two games in the Football League at Woodkirk Academy.

As I was on a First Aid Course, Mrs Loy kindly took the children for me. The weather was horrendous, with rain the whole time.

The boys played Churwell first which ended in a 2-0 loss, followed by Drighlington which finished 5-0. Mrs Loy said they all played really well and were very unlucky not to score, as shots on goal were often.

It seems this is the story of this year for us, but we are all still upbeat and hopeful of picking up more points as the season progresses.

Thank you to both Mrs Mullen and Mrs Loy for standing in for me on Monday.

Sports Hall Athletics Tournament

On Wednesday, eighteen children participated in the annual Sports Hall athletics Tournament. The event was held at Woodkirk Academy and four schools took part. There were track and field events where every child competed in two of each. Although the competition was really tough, we had some brilliant successes:

First in: Girls Obstacle Race, Girls 4x1 Lap Hurdles, Boys Lap Hurdles and 2x2 Lap Boys Relay.

Isabel and Sammy came first in Javelin and Cody came first in Speed Bounce (for the second year running).

Overall as a school we came third place and there was some amazing potential for the future.

Well done to all the children this week who represented the school in such a brilliant way.

Mrs Fletcher 🛠 🏐 🛠

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

We are delighted to introduce you to Parent Gym



Parent Gym is a well-established, six week programme that reveals practical tips and techniques for parents who want the best for their children.

The programme costs £250 per parent but we have secured places for free for parents at East Ardsley Primary Academy. These will be given out on a first come, first served basis.

The Parent Gym workshops run for two hours a week and each one comes with its own unique Parent Gym magazine packed with practical tips. For more information and to sign up, please speak to Mrs Blackmore or leave your name and details at the school office.

Many of the parents who have attended Parent Gym not only find it supports their parenting skills but they have also made new friends! '

'Invest in your child and attend a course. Learn new ways to help your child achieve their potential!'

Feedback

'It's with great pleasure I am writing to you this grateful note to say Thank you! Thank you is not enough for those few weeks we have to spend at parenting gym.'

'Please show my note to your superior not to stop Parent gym, its helped a lot of parents to create a bond between parents and their children or family. Thank you! I have all the tools, techniques now thanks to you and all the members of your department.'

"I attended Parent Gym session and found them extremely useful. Not only to help my son, but also for myself as I noticed more confidence growing within myself, which enabled me to ask and answer questions.'

'Parent Gym sessions were filled with a lot of useful information and the coaches ability to explain things made it very clear and easy for me to understand and apply.'

As a mother of two girls aged 8 and 4, I always found myself confused and irritated by their behaviour. I always thought they were stubborn and disobedient. But the very first session has changed my opinion.

With each session, I learned simple tips which completely changed the way we felt about each other

In short, Parent Gym made me feel parenting is a responsibility and yet an enjoyable experience. I'd recommend every parent to attend these sessions and benefit from it's tips to easy and joyful parenting."

For more information about Parent Gym or to sign up for the 6 workshops contact Mrs Blackmore, either via the school office or email on em-

ma.blackmore@eastardsley.org.uk

Leaflets are available in the school office also.



Six-week programme overview

Parent Gym is a course of six workshops: each session lasts two hours and is packed with practical tips and techniques to make family life easier and help your children thrive.

- Fun and interactive sessions, with a weekly 'mission' to practise at home
- · Rooted in scientific research
- A great chance to meet and chat with other parents

Each week's session covers one of these key topics:





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How to raise healthy children Keep yourself and your family healthy and happy with good sleep, eating and exercise



How to encourage tearning Help develop healthy learning habits with your child, including managing screen time.



Still looking for a reason to take part?

Around 10,000 parents have already participated 96% of those surveyed would recommend to other parents

Parents' feedback

"I am calm... the family is happier...
It is amazing how a course can change your life."

Parent, Morningside Childrens Centre

"I'm sleeping through the night for the first time in years."

Parent, Boxgrove Primary School

"Parent Gym has worked wonders for me and my familty. It's not about who's a good or bad parent – it just gives you lots of ideas to overcome difficulties in parenting."

Parent, Mount Stewart Junior School



How to sign up

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