



**NEWLAND
ST JOHN'S**
C OF E ACADEMY

23rd February 2018 Newsletter

'With God's help we work together to help each child fulfil their potential.'

Diary Dates



Please note the change of date for the Easter Service!

Wednesday 28th February
Thursday 1st March
Wednesday 14th March
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Thursday 22nd March
Friday 23rd March
Friday 23rd March
Monday 9th April
Tuesday 10th April

Hedgehogs class worship
World Book Day!
Parents' evening
Robins class worship
Easter Service led by Badgers class
Termly reports out to parents
School closes for Easter (3:15 pm)
INSET Day – School closed
Children return to school (8:50 am)

Stars of the week

Dormice Lilliana
Robins Majka
Hedgehogs Tyler
Squirrels. Milly
Badgers Alishba
Rabbits Jamie
Foxes. Alfie
Otters Mason
Owls. Shani
Deer Blake

Attendance

This week our attendance has been 97.9%. The best attendance was 99.00% from both Owls and Otters classes. Well done!



Bikes and scooters

To keep everyone safe, scooters, bikes and skateboards **MUST NOT** be ridden on the playground before or after school. Please walk them along and park them in the bike sheds.

World Book Day

It is World Book Day on Thursday 1st March. To celebrate, your child can come to school dressed as their favourite book character (**Year 4 children- please bring a costume to get changed into after swimming**). This year, we are also having a 'word' theme running through the day and would really like children to come to school with an interesting word that they can share with other children, to expand their vocabulary. The word can form part of the costume or simply be brought into school on a piece of card - be as creative as you want with how you display the chosen word.

Please note that brand names of clothing, e.g. NIKE, GAP, etc, are not acceptable - it should be a word that your child can talk about and share its meaning with others. Please start looking for good words to choose, especially when reading favourite books at home. We are looking forward to a great day, exploring our favourite books and learning new words together.

Special menu

On Wednesday 28th February we will be having a Chinese New Year themed menu. We will be serving a choice of either Chinese Chicken Curry or a Chinese Vegetable Curry with a choice of sticky toffee pudding or decorated biscuits for deserts.



Book Fair

We will have a Book People book fair in school from Tuesday 13th March to Monday 19th March. The book fair will also be available at parents evening.

Erasmus

Our school has been selected to be part of an Erasmus project working with schools across Europe. The project is called 'European healthy pupils and skilled educators via integrated food systems'. Please watch out for further news!

Grammar Glossary

Please have a look at the Grammar Glossary on Owls class's English website page as a tool to supporting your children's learning.

Ofsted Report

If you have not received a copy of our recent Ofsted inspection report, it can be found on the school website, or at <https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/inspection-reports/find-inspection-report/provider/ELS/141719>

Sports competitions

When taking part in school sports competitions, children are usually transported in staff cars, where staff have appropriate insurance cover. However, regulations for children now state that all children shorter than 135 centimetres in height and younger than 12 years old should have booster seats when travelling by car. As such, in line with other local schools, we will be asking parents to transport children themselves, or provide an appropriate booster seat.



Please remember we are always keen to hear of your concerns as well as your positive feedback. If you would like to discuss any issues with Mrs Wilson or your child's teacher, please make an appointment at the school office.

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