



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 3rd December

Nurs AM	Nurs PM	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
86.9	89.1	93.9	87.5	97.1	96.5	97.9	96.1	96.3

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,

It has been lovely to see so many of you at our Christmas performances this week. Your children all performed so well – thank you for helping them to learn lines and words from songs; it was a great help.

The staff have all worked very hard rehearsing the children and making props and costumes – I am sure you will all join me in thanking them for their hard work – often in their own time.

Next week we will be having a few celebrations:

- 100% attendance treat
- Sock Day
- Christmas dinner
- Christmas parties
- Staff show

Please ensure your child is at school for the whole week!

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.

Dissan Y2 – Junior Times Table Titan
Danushka Y4 – Achieved distinction in Bharatanatyan dance exam
Sharvina Y4 – Achieved distinction in Bharatanatyan dance exam
Adam Y2 – Maths Magician
Muhinul Y2 – Maths Magician
Fadhila Y2 – Maths Magician
Abishega Y2 – Maths Magician
Syeda Y2 – Maths Magician
Abdulhadi Y2 – Maths Magician
Henil Y1 – Achieved Karate Certificate



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GOING FURTHER TOGETHER



Club News

There will be **no after school clubs** in the last week of term. Please ensure you collect your child at 3.15pm or enrol them in our after school child care provision ESP – This is £8 per session.

ESP will still be on from Monday to Thursday.

Sock Day

On Tuesday, we will be welcoming former pupil and author, Onjali Rauf, into school. Onjali is also the founder member of a charity called Herstory that supports refugees. When she came to visit before she told a story of an amazing lady who travelled to Calais once a week to bring clean socks to those staying in the camps. We want to support this charity and we are asking that on Tuesday we celebrate this day by **all wearing brightly coloured socks** and **donate clean or new socks**. We want to collect as many pairs as possible for Onjali to take to Calais. Please give your pairs of socks to your teacher and let's see if we can get **1000 pairs** to take to Calais.



Dates for your diary

Friday 21st December 2018 - Last day of term
Finish at 1.30pm

Monday January 7th 2019 - All Children return to school.

Nelson goes paperless and cashless

From next term we will be starting to communicate with you using an APP for smartphones, iPads and PCs called **Parent Mail**.

From January you will only receive papercopies of letters if you request them. We will be giving out letters next week on how to access the app. You will also need to download this app if you wish to pay money to the school for any reason (ESP, breakfast club, Fairplay House etc) We will also be using this app to book after school clubs and Learning Review Day Appointments.

Poetry Retreat festival

10 Children from Year 5 went on a Poetry Retreat on the South Downs with Mr Dye and the staff and children from 5 other schools in November. Last Thursday they held a celebration event when their published book of poems was launched. The school has three copies of the book –“With poetry I can be dangerous”

Senior Choir News

Well done to the school's Senior Choir who performed at a concert with the All Saints Chorus, and wind and brass players at West Ham Parish Church on Saturday evening. Their performance was stunning and so many people stopped me to tell me how wonderful they had been. Well done to those children who had the courage to sing solos too: Isra, Lizzie, Christine.

Intra Sports Competition

KS2 children are taking part in our Intra School Competition. For years 3 and 4 this is Hot Potato and for Years 5 and 6 it is dodgeball. Each class in a year group will play each other and we will see who is the best class. To be able to take part in this children must have been wearing their full PE kit in PE lessons. Please help your child to remember to bring their kit into school on a Monday so it is there every day.