



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 11th February 2019

Nurs AM	Nurs PM	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
83.2	89.1	85.0	91.0	91.3	92.2	95.0	93.7	94.3

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,

Thank you for attending the recent Learning Review Day. I am grateful to all those parents who have signed up to parent mail. **29% of our families still need to sign up.** Don't forget to use the account on your mobile phone too – it makes communicating so much easier!

It was really good to see the children taking a full part in these meetings discussing their successes and their challenges and what they needed to do to improve. Please support your children as they work towards their targets.

Mrs Golding, one of our TAs, retired this month after 30 years working at our school. I am sure you will all join with me in wishing her a long and happy retirement.

Mrs Golding was delighted with the show the children put on, and with the cards from each year group.

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.

Praval Y3 – Times Table Titan



Recycle with us

Don't forget to use our recycling centre.

Please bring

- Pens that have run out
- Plastic bottle lids from milk and drink bottles
- Tooth brushes and empty toothpaste tubes
- Crisp packets
- Biscuit packets
- Batteries!
- Bread bags – **NEW THIS WEEK!**

Please send in any of these used products with your child who can recycle it in our recycling bins in school.

Please remember to tip out the crumbs from the crisp and bread bags before they come into school.

Online Safety

Please monitor your children's activity when they are using electronic devices such as iPads, tablets, PCs, laptops, phones.

Recently, a lot of children have been using online messaging to "chat" their friends. Whilst this is a fun activity, occasionally, it has been used by the children to insult or threaten each other. This then causes issues in school.

Some of the messaging is done via games such as Fortnite.

Please monitor what your children write or receive and if you are concerned report the person to the chat facility and also talk to us about it so that we can iron out any issues.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day – come dressed as your favourite book character.

Spring Festival

- Monday 18th March – Woodwind and Brass
- Tuesday 19th March – Strings
- Wednesday 20th March – Winners of choral Speaking
- Thursday 21st March – Choral Concert – all choirs will perform
- Friday 22nd March – Orchestral Concert

Easter Holiday – Monday 8th April 2019

First Day of Summer term – Tuesday 23rd April 2019

Summer Holiday – Monday 22nd July 2019

Spring Festival

We are really looking forward to our Annual Spring Arts Festival in the week beginning 18th March.

If your child is in one of our choirs, our orchestra, wind band or learns a musical instrument they will be in a concert during the Spring Festival. A letter will be sent out with an order form for tickets which you can purchase from Reception.

Uniform

Please make sure your child wears plain black shoes or trainers for school. Some children are wearing shoes with white soles or coloured parts on them.



Girls Football

Well done to our girls football team who narrowly missed out on a medal in the penalty shoot out to come 4th in the recent tournament at Langdon.