



Lyndhurst Infant School & SSC Weekly Communication

Friday 26th January 2024

Whole School

National Attendance (week ending 19 th January 2024)	94.1%
Lyndhurst Attendance (week ending 19 th January 2024)	93.1%
Class with Highest Attendance (week ending 19 th January 2024)	JAGUAR & TIGER CLASSES - 97%

New School Name - We are pleased to announce that our new primary school is going to be called

Homefield Primary School.

Thank you to everyone who voted! Overall, we received 1500 votes!

New Primary School Logo - If you or your child would like to submit a design for the new Primary school logo, then please send via email info@newprimschool.co.uk or hand in at the school office by Friday 2nd of February 2024 - clearly labelled and with any background information/explanation of the design. Please remember to keep the design simple as the logo will appear on uniform, book bags, the website etc.

World Book Day - Thursday 7th March is World Book Day! The children will be invited to come to school dressed as a book character. **There is absolutely no expectation for a costume to be purchased**, it could be as simple as a home-made mask. The books 'The Gruffalo' and 'Giraffes Can't Dance' are both 25 years old this year so you could take inspiration from one of these, but children are welcome to come to school dressed as any book character that they like! Could children please bring in a copy of the book that their character is from or draw a picture of them, so that they can discuss their book character in school.

Parking in Children's Centre - We have had complaints from the Footprints Children centre located next to the school that some parents/carers are using their carpark during school drop-off time. The Footprints centre is not connected to our school and their carpark is for the use of their staff and visitors only.

Parental Consent - Please note that if you have MCAS, we will use and abide by the information given in the Parental Consent area. Please ensure that you have updated your preferences. If you do not have MCAS, we will use and abide by the information given in the admissions booklet which was completed when your child joined Lyndhurst. We strongly advise that you set up an MCAS account so that you receive communications in a timely manner. Please contact the school office for assistance with this.

Guitar & Ukulele Lessons - Mr Marchant, our after-school music club provider, is offering to tutor Guitar and Ukulele lessons during school hours on Fridays (**Year 1 & 2 children only**).

There are still limited spaces available for the Spring term. Group sessions of 3-4 children cost £7 for half an hour. Pupils will need to bring their own guitar or ukulele to each lesson. If you would like to enrol your child on the above sessions, please email your interest to clubs@lyndhurst-school.co.uk stating your child's name and class. Please do not send any money until a place has been confirmed for your child. Please note fees will be requested in advance.



Singing Lessons - RRS Music Management and Vocal Coaching are offering 1:1 singing lessons and group sessions during school hours on Mondays.

There are still limited spaces available for the Spring term. The 1:1 sessions cost £15 for half an hour session. Group sessions of 3-4 children cost £7 for half an hour. If you would like to enrol your child on the above sessions, please email your interest to clubs@lyndhurst-school.co.uk stating your child's name and class. Please do not send any money until a place has been confirmed for your child. Please note fees will be requested in advance.



Breakfast Club - Breakfast Club runs from 7:45am - 8:45am and costs £4.50 per session. We currently have spaces available Monday to Friday. If your child is not currently attending and you would like to book your child in for any sessions, please email clubs@lyndhurst-school.co.uk

After School Clubs - There are currently spaces available in the following after school clubs in the Spring Term:

Monday	Singing Club	All Years	(£7.00 per session)
Tuesday	Acrobatics/Gymnastics	Year 1 & 2	(£4.00 per session)
Wednesday	Music	All Years	(£5.00 per session)
Wednesday	Lego	All Years	(£5.00 per session)
Wednesday	Street Dance	All Years	(£4.00 per session)
Thursday	Karate	All Years	(£5.00 per session) PAYG
Thursday	Lego	All Years	(£5.00 per session)
Thursday	Spanish*	All Years	(£6.80 per session)
Thursday	Street Dance	All Years	(£4.00 per session)
Friday	Drama	Year 1 & 2	(£5.50 per session)
Friday	Music	All Years	(£5.00 per session)
Friday	Messy Play	All Years	(£5.00 per session)

If you are interested in enrolling your child in any of these clubs, please email clubs@lyndhurst-school.co.uk.

If you are in receipt of benefits and you are unable to afford an after-school club for your child, please contact the school office to see if we can help.

* Spanish club will begin on Thursday 1st February.

Chartwells ParentPay - Please see below the cut off dates for booking meals via ParentPay:


February Cut-Off Dates
Thursday 8/2 for w/c Monday 19/2
Thursday 15/2 for w/c Monday 26/2
Thursday 22/2 for w/c Monday 4/3
Thursday 29/2 for w/c Monday 11/3

March Cut-Off Dates
Thursday 7/3 for w/c Monday 18/3
Thursday 14/3 for w/c Monday 25/3

Values - The school value for January is **Perseverance**.

Makaton Sign of the Week - Learn a new word every week and be inspired to get signing. This week's sign is.....

Cold



Please click on the link below to see a video demonstrating this sign:

https://makaton.org/TMC/News_Stories/SOTW/SOTW_Cold.aspx



Amazon Wish List - We have an Amazon Wish List! You can view this by clicking on the following link:

<https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/22FJN4MNKQJ5O>

Any gifts are greatly appreciated! The items on our list are to support teaching and learning. As you know, schools are in a financial crisis and we need as much help as possible. The list will have a range from photocopier paper to pens and pencils to games. We know that parents/carers love to support Lyndhurst and we thought this was a convenient way to help out. Also, sometimes to get free delivery on goods you have to spend a certain amount and some parents/carers may choose to send us something from the list to make up the 'difference'.

Please do share the link with friends and family! If anyone has any ideas about raising money or accessing resources for the school, please do drop us a line. Thank you!

Reception

Occupation Dress-Up Day - On Friday 9th February we will be holding an occupation dress-up day, when children are invited to come to school dressed for the job they would like to do when they grow up! Please take the opportunity to talk with your child about different jobs and what they might like to do.

Real Heroes - This week Reception were very lucky to be visited by Penny, Kassie and Laura from Cliffe equine vets. They spoke to the children about their role as veterinary dentists and nurses and showed the children how to clean the horses' teeth and bandage their legs. The children had lots of questions and have been pretending to be vets in our role-play area! We are very excited to be being visited by the Fire Service and a police officer next week. Please speak to your child about any questions they may have for our visitors about their jobs.



Year 1

St George's Church Visit - As part of the RE curriculum, the Year 1 children will be going on an educational visit to enhance their learning about Christianity. On Wednesday 20th March the Year 1 children will be visiting St George's church to learn more about the features of a church and how Christians worship. You will receive a letter soon giving more details. Please ensure that you give permission for this trip as your child will be unable to take part without it.

Fire Fighter Visit - This week, Year 1 are very lucky to be being visited by a fire fighter to talk to the them about their current topic; 'What Happened in Pudding Lane?'.



Homework - Maths and Phonics/Spelling tasks have been sent home in homework books and these are due to be handed in by Thursday 1st February, with new tasks being set the following day.

Year 2

Arctic Explorer Visit - Year 2 have been very lucky to be visited by Dr Mel Murphy today, who has flown from the Arctic to talk to them about her job as a scientific researcher in the Arctic!!



Ice-Skating Trip - Following our previous very successful trips, you should now have received a letter advising that we will once again be taking the Year 2 children to visit the Worthing Ice Skating Rink which is situated in Steyne Gardens. The trips will take place on the following dates:

Wednesday 7th February - Leopard Class & $\frac{1}{2}$ of Jaguar* Class

Thursday 8th February - Tiger Class & $\frac{1}{2}$ of Jaguar* Class

We have managed to secure a discounted price of just £5.20 per child and we are asking for a voluntary contribution of this amount to cover the cost. Please ensure that completed permissions slips are returned to the school office even if you have paid online through MCAS, as children will not be allowed to attend without one. More information is included in the letter.

* If your child is in Jaguar Class, you should now have received a text message advising which day your child will be skating. If you are unsure, please contact the school office.

Mosque Visit - As part of the RE curriculum, the Year 2 children will be going on an educational visit to our local Mosque on Wednesday 28th February. This is a wonderful opportunity for them to learn more about the features of a Mosque and to enhance their learning about Islam. Having had a successful visit to their local church in Year 1, we believe the children will greatly benefit from this interesting educational experience. A letter giving more details of this trip will be sent today. Please ensure that you give permission for this trip as your child will be unable to take part without it.

Homework - Maths and Phonics/Spelling tasks have been sent home in homework books and these are due to be handed in by Thursday 1st February, with new tasks being set the following day.

Upcoming Dates:-

Monday 29th January - YR Visit from Fire Service

Wednesday 7th February - Y2 Ice Skating Trip - Leopard Class &
 $\frac{1}{2}$ Jaguar Class

Thursday 8th February - Y2 Ice Skating Trip - Tiger Class &
 $\frac{1}{2}$ Jaguar Class

Friday 9th February - Early Years Occupation Dress-up Day

SCHOOL FINISHES - Friday 9th February 2024

Monday 19th February 2024 - INSET DAY

SCHOOL RETURNS - Tuesday 20th February 2024

Wednesday 28th February - Y2 Mosque Visit

Wednesday 20th March - Y1 St George's Church Visit

HOMEFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOOL TERM & HOLIDAY DATES 2024-2025

Autumn Term 2024

Monday 2nd September 2024 - Non-Pupil day

Tuesday 3rd September 2024 - Children return to School

Half-Term: Monday 28th October 2024 - Friday 1st November 2024 inclusive

Monday 4th November 2024 - Non-Pupil day

Friday 20th December 2024 - End of term

Christmas break: Monday 23rd December 2024 to Friday 3rd January 2025 inclusive

Spring Term 2025

Monday 6th January 2025 - Children return to School

Friday 14th February 2025 - Non-Pupil day

Half-Term: Monday 17th February 2025 - Friday 21st February 2025 inclusive

Friday 14th March 2025 - Non-Pupil day

Friday 4th April 2025 - End of term

Easter break: Monday 7th April 2025 - Monday 21st April 2025 inclusive

Summer Term 2025

Tuesday 22nd April 2025 - Children return to School

(All schools will be closed on Monday 5th May 2025 for Bank Holiday)

Half-Term: Monday 26th May 2025 - Friday 30th May 2025 inclusive

Monday 2nd June 2025 - Non-Pupil day

Tuesday 22nd July 2025 - End of term

The following are Non-pupil days when school will be closed for pupils, but teachers will be required to undertake training or other approved activities.

Autumn Term

Monday 2nd September 2024

Monday 4th November 2024

Spring Term

Friday 14th February 2025

Friday 14th March 2025

Summer Term

Monday 2nd June 2025