



Lyndhurst Infant School & SSC Weekly Communication

Friday 23rd February 2024

Whole School

Lyndhurst Attendance (week ending 9 th February 2024)	92.4%
Class with Highest Attendance (week ending 2 nd February 2024)	TOUCAN - 99%

Half Term Reading Challenge - We have received some amazing 'Reading Rivers' from lots of the children, showing the journey of all the different types of reading that they came across during half term. Every child who presents a 'Reading River' will receive a certificate and they will be displayed on the wall in the hall. The deadline for this challenge has now been extended to Monday 26th February.

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.

Donation Requests - We would be very grateful for any donations of chippings or compost to help keep our Forest School area looking lovely. We would also appreciate any donations of tracksuit bottoms for ages 4-6. If you are able to help with any of the above, please contact the school office. Thank you.

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
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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)

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.

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

February Cut-Off Dates
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

April Cut-Off Dates
Thursday 4/4 for w/c Monday 15/4
Thursday 11/4 for w/c Monday 22/4
Thursday 18/4 for w/c Monday 29/4
Thursday 25/4 for w/c Monday 8/5



Values - The school value for February is **Cooperation**.

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



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

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

Lyndhurst Champions - The following children received certificates this week for being Lyndhurst Champions:

Xander from Jaguar Class	J.P. from Jaguar Class	Tylar from Jaguar Class
Remy from Kingfisher Class	Arthur from Kingfisher Class	Nathania from Kingfisher Class
Olivia from Leopard class	Woody from Leopard Class	Evie from Leopard Class
Andrew from Parrot Class	Tacita from Parrot Class	Maxine from Parrot Class
Theo from Toucan Class	Archie from Toucan Class	Rein from Toucan Class
Amaya from Tiger Class	Conni from Tiger Class	Max from Tiger Class
Anaaya from Bumblebee Class	Isla from Bumblebee Class	

Well done to all of our Champions!!

My Child At School (MCAS) - If you have signed up to the MCAS app, any school communication, including text messages, will be received through the app. Please ensure that you have switched on your notifications for the app in your mobile phone settings so that you receive any communications in a timely manner. If you are unsure, please speak to the school office.

Shout Out News! - A big shout out to Mrs Huntingford for being a great champion of the Lyndhurst community and for supporting all of our ICT needs!

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/22FJN4MNKQJSO>

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

Junk Modelling - This half term, we will be making a castle for Jack and the Beanstalk from junk modelling. We would appreciate any donations of big boxes, tubes (no toilet rolls please), yoghurt pots etc. that would be suitable for this project. Please bring any items into class. Thank you.

Forest School - You should have received a letter advising that the Reception children will have weekly forest school sessions with Mrs Eales this half term on a Friday. The children do not need to wear school uniform on these days, but will need appropriate outside warm/waterproof clothing. They will need wellington boots or shoes/boots you do not mind getting dirty because we will work outside in all weathers.

Street Dance - This half term, the Reception children will have P.E. lessons on a Thursday, run by Kerry from Wannado Street Dance. The children had a great first lesson this week and thoroughly enjoyed it. Please ensure that children come to school on Thursdays in P.E. kit with suitable footwear.

Year 1

New Topic - This half term, Year 1 have begun their new topic; "What Can We Learn About The Great Outdoors?". In Science the children will be finding out about trees and plants, and in Geography they will be learning about maps, as well as human and physical features in our local environment.

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 should have received a letter by email yesterday giving more details of this trip. If you have not done so already, please ensure that you give permission for this trip **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** as your child will be unable to take part without it. You can do this by logging into MCAS and going to TRIPS > AVAILABLE TRIPS to give your online consent. Alternatively, you can obtain a hard copy permission form from your child's class teacher or the school office.

Phonics & Reading Meeting - You should have received a letter advising that on Wednesday 6th March we are inviting all Year 1 parents/carers to a phonics and reading meeting in the school hall at **either** 9:00am or 2:15pm. The meeting will last approximately 45 mins. We will explain how we teach phonics and reading at Lyndhurst and provide you with ideas to support your child with their reading at home. We will also explain what the 'Phonics Screener' is and what the expectations for your child will be in the Summer term. There will be an opportunity to ask questions

but we ask you to return the slip on the bottom of the letter so we can ensure all enquires are answered within the session.

Homework - Maths & Phonics homework tasks were due to handed in yesterday. New tasks will be sent home today in homework books and these are due to be handed in by Thursday 7th March.

Year 2

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. You should have received a letter giving more details of this trip. If you have not done so already, please ensure that you give permission for this trip **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** as your child will be unable to take part without it. You can do this by logging into MCAS and going to TRIPS > AVAILABLE TRIPS to give your online consent. Alternatively, you can obtain a hard copy permission form from your child's class teacher or the school office.

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Upcoming Dates:-

Wednesday 28th February - Y2 Mosque Visit
Wednesday 6th March - Y1 Phonics Meetings
Thursday 7th March - World Book Day
Friday 15th March - Red Nose Day
Tuesday 19th March - Parents/Carers Evening
Wednesday 20th March - Y1 St George's Church Visit
Thursday 21st March - Parents/Carers Evening
Tuesday 26th March - Sponsored Bunny Hop
Wednesday 27th March - Easter Hat Competition

SCHOOL FINISHES - Thursday 28th March 2024
Friday 29th March - BANK HOLIDAY

SCHOOL RETURNS - Monday 15th April 2024