



Lyndhurst Infant School & SSC Weekly Communication

Friday 1st March 2024

Whole School

National Attendance (week ending 23 rd February 2024)	94.7%
Lyndhurst Attendance (week ending 23 rd February 2024)	94.5%
Class with Highest Attendance (week ending 23 rd February 2024)	KINGFISHER - 100!!

World Book Day - Thursday 7th March is World Book Day! The children are 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.

Red Nose Day - Red Nose Day falls on Friday 15th March when children are invited to come into school wearing something red in exchange for a donation. Donations can either be made in cash brought to class, or online via MCAS in the school shop under Charity Donations.

Parents/Carers Evening - Parents/Carers evenings will be held in school on the following dates:

- Tuesday 19th March from 3:15pm - 5:00pm (last appointment 4:45pm)
- Thursday 21st March from 3:15pm - 7:00pm (last appointment 6:45pm)

Each appointment will last for 10 minutes in order that everyone can be seen/spoken to. Please note that the appointment is for discussion with your child's teacher.

Appointments for Parents/Carers evening will be available to book via My Child at School (MCAS) from 8:00am on Monday 4th March. Please go to the Parents Evening tab to book your selected day and time. If you do not for any reason have access to MCAS, please contact the school office at office@lyndhurst-school.co.uk

If your child is on the SEN register and you would like Mrs Rix to join the class teacher for your appointment, please contact the school office. We will try our hardest to co-ordinate the times requested.

Sponsored Bunny Hop - With Easter coming up and our focus on staying fit and healthy (part of our P.E. curriculum), we will once again be holding a Sponsored Bunny Hop! Sponsorship forms will be coming home next week through class. All money collected will go towards buying resources for our school. The children will be making 'bunny ears' in class for the occasion and the Bunny Hop itself will take place in school time on Tuesday 26th March.

There will be chocolate prizes for the most money raised. Please note, there is absolutely **no obligation** to take part in this fundraising event. The children will still be able to make their bunny ears and take part in the bunny hop itself.



SJM Electrical Easter Colouring Competition - SJM Electrical have very kindly offered to run an Easter Colouring Competition for the children of Lyndhurst. Today, your child should come home with an Easter colouring sheet. If your child would like to enter this competition, please bring completed colouring sheets back into school to be posted into the entry box located near the school office. The deadline for entering the competition is Thursday 14th March. There will be an Easter egg prize for the best entry in each year group and these will be awarded in assembly on Thursday 28th March.

Easter Hat Competition - We will be running our annual fun, traditional Easter Hat Competition this year on Wednesday 27th March, when children are invited to make and wear in their own Easter hat creations. There will be prizes awarded for the best hats. Good luck!

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.



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.

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

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

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 March is **Gratitude**.

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

To Smile



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

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

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

Erin from Jaguar Class
Arthur R. from Kingfisher Class
Lukas from Leopard Class
Alfie from Parrot Class
Lexie from Toucan Class
Conni from Tiger Class
Wilson from Bumblebee Class

Isabella from Jaguar Class
Debora from Kingfisher Class
Emiliano from Leopard Class
Ishanvi from Parrot Class
Chikaira from Toucan Class
Lexi from Tiger Class
Harvey from Bumblebee Class

Adelle from Jaguar Class
William from Kingfisher Class
Alfie from Leopard Class
Aubrey from Parrot Class
Archie from Toucan Class
Sonny from Tiger Class

Well done to all of our Champions!!

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.



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 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 have been sent home today in homework books and these are due to be handed in by Thursday 7th March.

Year 2

Mosque Visit - The Year 2 children enjoyed a very interesting trip to the local Mosque this week, where they learned the importance of the holy book, the Qur'an, saw the prayer room and learned about different prayer positions. The Imam spoke about the differences between Islam and other religions and showed the children some Arabic phonics.

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Upcoming Dates:-

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

Monday 15th April - **School Closure Day** (Lyndhurst & Chesswood)

SCHOOL RETURNS - Tuesday 16th April 2024