



Lyndhurst Infant School & SSC Weekly Communication

Friday 15th March 2024

Whole School

National Attendance (week ending 8 th March 2024)	94.8%
Lyndhurst Attendance (week ending 8 th March 2024)	93.0%
Class with Highest Attendance (week ending 8 th March 2024)	JAGUAR & TOUCAN - 100%!!

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 are now available to book via My Child at School (MCAS). 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.

Red Nose Day - It has been wonderful to see all of the children in their red outfits today! Thank you so much to everyone who has donated to Red Nose Day. We are still counting the donations and will confirm how much was raised in next week's communication. If you have not yet donated and would like to, you can still do so via MCAS in the school shop via Charity Donations.



Lyndhurst Friends Treat Friday - On Friday 22nd March the Lyndhurst Friends will be running a 'Treat Friday' after school on the back playground, selling bags of sweets for 50p each. Please note that this will be a cash only event.

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 have now been sent home 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. Please ensure that any sponsorship money is sent into school by **Tuesday 26th March** as the latest. Many thanks.



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!

World Book Day - You should now have received order forms to purchase your child's World Book Day class photo. The deadline for ordering is **Monday 25th March**.

Devices in School - May we remind you that children are not permitted to bring into school or on trips mobile phones, tablets or recording devices such as smart watches etc. If such devices are found in a child's possession in school, the device will be confiscated and returned to the parent/carer at the end of the day. If necessary, the school reserves the right to access content on the device and remove any recordings/photos that may have been taken on the school premises or on school trips. Please refer to the Online Safety and Acceptable Use Policy which can be found on our website.

After School Clubs - If you have expressed an interest for clubs in the Summer Term, you should now have received confirmation. If you have not, or if you have any queries, 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.

****PLEASE NOTE**** There are no clubs running on Tuesday 19th or Thursday 21st March due to parents/carers evenings. All clubs for the Spring Term end on Friday 22nd March. ******

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

A Message from Chartwells - ParentPay has sent the below automated email to some parents this week:

This is an automated email regarding your ParentPay account registered with Lyndhurst Infant School. We wanted to let you know that, due to changes which have been made to menu items, some of xxxxxxxx pre-ordered meals have been cancelled for the following dates:

- Xxxxxx

Please login to ParentPay to re-book meals for these dates.

Pre-ordered meals have NOT been cancelled and parents are not required to re-book, any changes with the upcoming menu have been addressed by Chartwells team.

Please accept our apologies for any confusion this may have caused and if you have any queries, contact Chartwells office u73041@compass-group.co.uk

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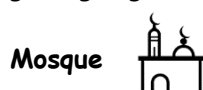
Chartwells ParentPay - Please see below the cut off dates for booking meals via ParentPay:

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

May Cut-Off Dates
Thursday 2/5 for w/c Monday 13/5
Thursday 9/5 for w/c Monday 20/5
Thursday 23/5 for w/c Monday 3/6
Thursday 30/5 for w/c Monday 10/6

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.....



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

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

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

Richel from Jaguar Class
Eleanor from Kingfisher Class
Cillian from Kingfisher Class
Fox from Parrot Class
Daaron from Toucan Class
Eleanor from Tiger Class

Oscar from Jaguar Class
Joey from Kingfisher Class
Aubrey from Parrot Class
Sansa from Toucan Class
Amaya from Tiger Class
Jax from Bumblebee Class

Evan from Jaguar Class
Bobbie from Kingfisher Class
Freddie from Parrot Class
Kaya from Toucan Class
Beatrix from Tiger Class
Anaaya from Bumblebee Class

Well done to all of our Champions!!

Shout Out News! - A big shout out to Miss Connor for organising the Boccia Tournament this week. Also, a big thank you to all staff who have kindly provided extra cover this week for staff absent due to illness.

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

Reptylers Visit - After Easter we will begin our next topic of 'How Do Things Grow?', and in relation to this we are very excited to have arranged a visit from Reptylers on Wednesday 17th April. They will be bringing with them a number of animals and each class will have the opportunity to get up close and encounter the animals themselves.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £4.40 to help cover the cost of this visit. Contributions can be made either in cash in a **sealed envelope with your child's name** on the front or online via MCAS. We ask that contributions are made by Thursday 28th March at the latest.

Homework - Please check your emails for phonics homework which will be sent home weekly and maths homework which be sent home fortnightly. You will also find a list of 'tricky words' to be practised in the back of your child's blue book.

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.

Easter Assembly - On Monday 25th March, Kathryn from St George's Church will be coming in to school to do a special assembly with KS1 about how Christians celebrate Easter as part of the RE curriculum. She will show the children how to make their own Easter gardens to help them remember the Christian Easter story.

Homework - Maths & Phonics homework tasks were sent last week in homework books and these are due to be handed in by Thursday 21st March.

Year 2

The Big Plastic Count - Further to our letter sent on 8th March, we hope that lots of you have been taking part in The Big Plastic Count from 11th to 17th March. Please remember to send in your child's 'Let's Count Tally Sheet' on Monday 18th March so they can record their results and submit them in class. Many thanks for taking part in this important investigation!

Greenpeace T-Shirt Competition - Some Year 2 children have completed a t-shirt design in school for the Greenpeace T-Shirt competition and will be bringing them home with them. Parents/Carers are welcome to enter them into the competition if they so wish. If your child has not completed a design and wishes to enter the competition, they are welcome to do so. Please find more information regarding the competition at <https://tshirt.greenpeace.co.uk/>.

Tennis Coaching - We are very fortunate to have a parent coming in to school to provide some tennis coaching to the Year 2 children over the next fortnight. Could all Year 2 children please come to school wearing P.E. Kits on Tuesday 19th and Tuesday 26th March. Thanks.

Sustainability - We are very lucky to have a parent coming in next week to talk to the children about sustainability. This links with their current topic of 'How Can We Look After our World?' and follows on nicely from their recent Big Plastic Count.

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Upcoming Dates:-

Tuesday 19th March - Parents/Carers Evening

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

Thursday 21st March - Parents/Carers Evening

Friday 22nd March - Lyndhurst Friends Treat Friday

Tuesday 26th March - Sponsored Bunny Hop

Wednesday 27th March - Easter Hat Competition

Thursday 28th March - Y2 Time to Dance Performance

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

Friday 19th April - Autism Awareness Day & Non-Uniform Day for Mayor's Charities