

Dear Parents/Carers,

The half term has been incredibly busy. Staff, children and parents/carers have made a significant contribution in helping raise standards and provide opportunities for all our children. Careers week has been a massive success and I am confident next year will be even better.

On the 27th and 28th March we will be having Parents consultations and I am hoping all parents/carers sign up and attend.

Next half term also promises to be surreal with Science week, Downsell's got talent, Kidzania trips and the awesome great egg race! Watch this space for more information regarding the great egg race.

I would like to thank everyone for a wonderful half term and would like to wish everyone a safe and happy half term break.

Mr Chetty

Grammar and Punctuation Show

On Tuesday, we were entertained by Barrie, a very special guest who taught the children an amazing grammar lesson with a twist. The children learned all about nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, clauses and conjunctions in an action-packed assembly full of jokes and laughter.

What's the difference between a lion and a complex sentence? One of them has a main clause; the other has a mane and claws!

As there was no Celebration assembly today, all the awards winners from this week will receive their awards after half term holidays on Friday 24th February. We will send an invitation text to their parents after half term break.



Safeguarding

As you know, to further improve safeguarding, we stopped children playing in front of the building during playtime and lunchtime to ensure that visitors coming to our school and children playing do not meet.

As part of safeguarding we would also like to ask our parents/carers not to block the entrances to the classes at the end of each school day when collecting children. It becomes difficult to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all children when staff are distracted by talking with parents/carers. Should you wish to talk with your child's teacher can you please wait until all children have been collected and have left the building.

We would also like to ask parents/carers for their support in ensuring that children do not bring to school any equipment from home such as footballs, cricket balls, etc. We will provide all equipment.

Dates for the diary:

Breakfast club

Every morning from 7:30

EYFS Stay & Play 9:15am

Tue 21st Feb & Thu 23rd Feb

ESOL course 1:30 pm

Thu 23rd Feb

Speed Sounds Workshop

Year 1 parents 3:30 pm

Thu 23rd Feb 3:45pm

Trip to Kidzania

Fri 24th Feb Year 5 & 6

Fri 3rd March Year 3 & 4

Parents Workshop – How to register on the school website

3:45pm Fri 24th Feb

Book week

27th Feb – 3rd March

World Book day

Thu 2nd Mar **non-uniform**

Science week

13th – 17th March

Parents Consultation

Mon 27th & Tue 28th March

...and more to come

Weekly Attendance

Every week classes with the best attendance receive an Attendance Award. Last week winners are:

Upper KS2 – the winner is America – 99%

Lower KS2 – the winner is UAE – 99%

KS1 – the winner are Brazil & Jamaica – 98%

Early Years - the winner is Italy – 96%

Congratulation to all.

Speed Sounds Workshop for Year 1 Parents

English language has 44 speech sounds!

Would you like to learn how we pronounce the sounds in phonics?

Come and join us for a 'speedy speed sounds' workshop.

Day: Thursday 23rd February 2017

Where: Class Jamaica

When: 3.30pm – 4.00pm

Photos will be taken for the school website.

We hope you don't mind if you're on the picture.

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Holiday Courses at Leyton Orient Trust

Leyton Orient are holding school holiday clubs for 5 to 13 years old on 16th & 17th February 2017, 3rd, 4th and 5th April 2017 and 1st & 2nd June 2017. Sessions will focus on skills development, fun competitions and small sided games.

The charges depend on the dates (range £30 to £40) and all details can be found at www.leytonorienttrust.org.uk/bookings or 02085565973

All sessions will be held at The Score Centre, 100 Oliver Road, Leyton E10 5JY from 10am to 3pm.

There are also weekly player development sessions and all details can be found on the Leyton Orient Trust website.

Pen Licence

Within our new Writing policy we have adopted a new system where children with improved handwriting will be given a 'Pen licence' which will allow them to use a pen in school. Getting a Pen licence is a great achievement which will be recognized in Friday's celebration assembly and children's names will be included in the weekly newsletter. Parents of the children who received the licence will be invited to join us in the assembly.



Shout it out!

We made lots of noise about internet safety as we celebrated Safer Internet Day on Tuesday 7th February. Classes learnt about internet safety and how to be safe on the internet. Every year group had different activities that they took part in during the day.

Digital leaders took part in a parent workshop about internet safety where they talked to parents about staying safe online and it was a very informative session. Please look at our school website for photos from the day and the workshop.