



Lawn
Primary
School

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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't quite believe that we are already at the end of the first half term of this academic year. It's been a busy half term with lots of things happening in school, including the triathlon with the Brownlee brothers, First Aid lessons for Y5, whole school photo shoot for our calendar, football tournaments and many more.

Next half term will I am sure be just as busy as we run up to the festive period. We are especially looking forward to the school musical which Mr Molineux and Miss Alexander are busy rehearsing for. Tickets will go on sale nearer the date but it is definitely a must see.

Over the last two weeks we have held two of our open mornings for prospective parents for FS2 intake in September 2018. The whole school were so fantastic as we were showing the visitors around. It certainly made me feel very proud to be Headteacher here. If you know anyone who is looking for a FS2 place for September please do encourage them to come and have a look around at one of next two dates which can be found on our website.

Thank you to all parents that have responded to our homework consultation and those which spoke to some of our Governors at parents evenings this week. Mrs Shepherd and Mrs Harland will be putting together feedback from these and then working on the next steps.

Over the next couple of weeks, Governors and Senior Leaders will be finalising our priorities for this year and then putting the finishing touches to our school action plan. Even though we have been judged outstanding we are passionate about making sure that we make our school even better.

Over the last few weeks it has come to our attention that a large number of the children in school are accessing very inappropriate material either online or through DVDs etc. For example a child as young as 5 watching 18 rated films, a 7 year old watching inappropriate things on YouTube, a 10 year old chatting to someone they don't know online. The staff and I are increasingly worried about the impact that these things have on your children; things that we at school have to deal with. You may not think that these things have an effect on your children but they do. Do you know what your children look at online?

After the half term we are holding a couple of sessions with an E-Safety expert for parents to attend. Please come a long and see how you can protect your children.

Finally, I wish you all a happy, safe and fun half term with lots of family time together. Please remember that Monday 30th and Tuesday 31st are Inset Days so school is closed to all pupils. We will see everyone back at school on Wednesday 1st November.

Sarah Allison

Headteacher

Attendance results

As a main priority for the school is to improve attendance across all age ranges, the SLT have decided to report each class attendance. Every term there will be rewards for children having 100% attendance and also for the class with the highest attendance across the term. These have been mentioned in previous newsletters.

Where there are concerns about the attendance of certain children, school will be informing the EWO (Education Welfare Officer) and action will be taken including meetings with school and the EWO and parenting contracts.

This half term our whole school attendance is **97.76%**.

Class	Percentage Attendance
YRG	98.1%
YRL	98.3%
Y1A	97.3%
Y1HA	96.5%
Y2S	98.3%
Y2C	97.3%
Y3W	97.4%
Y3C	99.3%
Y4M	96.7%
Y4A	98.8%
Y5H	97.1%
Y5A	97.6%
Y6W	98.2%
Y6H	97.7%

Football Festival

Some of the Y5/6 girls had the opportunity to attend a girls football festival hosted by the FA. It was a brilliant morning that involved a range of activities. For the first part of the morning, the children were practising being goalkeepers and referees as well as taking part in lots of football skills. To their delight, they also had an opportunity for face painting and hair braiding!

For the second part of the morning, the girls took part in a few matches against some of the other schools. They did an absolutely amazing job. Hannah Sharpe was our star goalkeeper, making some cracking saves! The girls came back to school absolutely buzzing!

Miss Ayub.



The Wildlife Trust

On the 18th October 2017, 30 students from year 5 went to Markeaton Park to learn about habitats, learn leaf names, how to identify trees and use leaf strings. We had a guide named Matthew. He challenged us to list Habitats and to find 11 different leaves. It was a draw between two teams. We had such a good time we didnt want to leave!

From Ben Young and Tom Bain.

Cooking Lesson with Mr Aka

Monty White was one of our lucky winners of the LSA Summer Fayre Cake Competition.

His prize was to have a cooking lesson with our very own Mr Aka. Monty had his lesson on Friday 13th October and choose to make a Chocolate Fudge Cake.

Here are some of the pictures from Monty's lesson and also what Monty had to say about his time with Mr Aka.



"I enjoyed mixing all the ingredients together and then when I took it out of the oven with Mr Aka's help I liked seeing what I had cooked. It was really good fun covering the cake and my favourite part was seeing the cake when it was all finished"



Look out for our next newsletter to see our next Winner and what they choose to cook with Mr Aka

Woodlands PFTA

Woodlands PFTA is hosting a Fish & Chip Quiz on Friday 24th November 2017 at 7pm, in the Atrium at Woodlands school. Please Join as you are all welcome, it would be brilliant to see some future parents.

Thank you.

Open Mornings

Each Year Lawn hold open mornings for new prospective parents to visit the school & see what lawn has to offer their child/children. This year our open mornings will be held on the following dates:

10th November 2017 at 9.30am

4th December 2017 at 9.30am

Reminders

Could we politely remind all parents/Carers, if your child is off absent from school please leave a message on our absence line alternatively contact the school office. Please **do not** Dojo the class teacher as they are not always able to see this at the start of the day.

Can we please request that the **correct** monies/cheques are put into a sealed envelope as we do not keep money on the premises and are **not able to give change**. Your child's name, class and activity details also need to be on the envelope to ensure it is allocated correctly. A written receipt will be given for any monies handed in directly to the School Office.

DIARY DATES

7th November 2017- E-Safety Meeting
16th November 2017- YR2 School trip
24th November 2017 – Christmas Fayre
29th November 2017 – Flu Immunisations for years 1,2,3 & 4
7th December 2017 – LSA Disco
13th December 2017 – St Nicks Carol Concert
10th January 2018 – Whole School Polar Fun Day
24th January 2018 – Bag2School Collection
2nd Febuaury 2018 – LSA Quiz Night
13th Febuaury 2018 – Parents Evening
14th Febuaury 2018 – Parents Evening
23rd May 2018 – Bag2School Collection

INSET DAYS 2017-2018

Monday	30 th October 2017
Tuesday	31 st October 2017
Wednesday	3 rd January 2018
Friday	16 th February 2018

Staff in the spotlight.

Hi all, I am Gordan Barber. I Work at Lawn as a Caretaker, I have been at Lawn for two and a half years now. You may recognise me as the gate man. I have just recently celebrated my 60th Birthday, all the children & staff sang happy birthday to me in assembly, which was lovely.

I like working at Lawn as everyone here is very friendly and helpful. All here make you feel welcome and a part of a team.

Before I started at Lawn I worked for the Derbyshire County Council as a Roofer and Brick layer. During that time I also worked at lawn repairing the roof.

When I am not at Lawn I love spending time with my grandchildren, fishing, caravanning, computer games and occational DIY.

I am a big Elvis Presley Fan, and I collect lots of memribilia. I have over 40 Record LP's.



SAFEGUARDING

The LSA Team
lawnschoolassociation@hotmail.co.uk

Our designated Safeguarding Leader is Mrs Sarah Allison – Headteacher

In Mrs Allison's absence, Mrs Donna Hallam – Deputy Headteacher

Our Governor Safeguarding Leader is Mrs Clarke

If you wish to speak to Mrs Allison, Mrs Hallam or Mrs Clarke, please contact the School Office.

LSA - About Us

The Lawn School Association ("LSA") is our school parent-teacher association (PTA). PTAs are best known for their fundraising work but they have a useful social function too as fundraising events provide an opportunity for parents, staff and pupils to get together. The money raised at our events (e.g. Christmas Fayre, Easter Bingo, School Discos, Summer Fayre, etc.) are intended to provide 'extras' not already provided by the school's main income – often 'fun things' that make learning more interesting and exciting.

The friendly LSA Committee for this year is

Ø Nicola Severn – Chair

Ø Claire Milne – Vice Chair

Ø Sam Adie – Secretary

Ø Kerry Tague – Treasurer

Meetings

The next meeting is on 1st November

Please come along to our very friendly meeting to help the LSA with planning events for the next school year!