Langtons Infant School

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Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Workshops: Thank you to the parents who attended the Year 1 & 2 workshop this week. The workshops are a great opportunity to find out how you can support your child and what they are learning in school. If you were unable to attend, please visit our website to view the PowerPoint used in the workshop. The Reception parent workshop is on 28th September at 2.15pm.

Communication: We use our newsletters to celebrate our children's successes. We also use them to communicate and give messages to parents and carers. Sometimes, parents ask us to pass messages to parents through our newsletters. We have decided to have a 'Parent Noticeboard'. This will be used for things such as reminders about events at school or if parents wish to inform others of groups such as toddler groups, Scouts, etc. The noticeboard will be located beside our Attendance Board on the gate of our main office. If you would like to put a notice on the board, please speak to our office. The board will not be used for buying and selling and all notices must be approved by the school. Please also remember to check our website for up to date information.

Photographs: Please remember, the photographer will be in school on Thursday, 29th September, to take individual photos of the children. Year 1's PE day will therefore be on Tuesday next week instead.

Harvest Festival: Harvest Festival for Years 1 & 2 will be on Friday, 30th September, at St. Andrew's church 9:30-10:30am. Parents are welcome to attend. Please ensure your child is wearing a coat on Friday as the children will be walking to the church and back.

Coffee Morning: Our first coffee morning of this academic year is on 7th October at 9.00am to 9.45am. This is a great opportunity for the whole school community to get to know each other. We will also have our School Nurse on site to answer any of your questions, or give any advice. We look forward to seeing you there.

Start Times: As you are aware, we said we would alter our start of the day time after half term to 8.35am. We have decided that from **next week** children can start at 8.35am to assist parents with children in both the Infant and Junior schools as Junior School children are now starting at 8:30am. This means that siblings will be dropped off at the Juniors at 8.30am and Infant children can then be walked straight around our one-way system to their classroom. However, until the end of this half term, your child will not be marked as late if you come to school at our current timings as we are not officially starting these times until **after half term.**

And finally: Today is Mrs. McGlinchey's last day and I am sure you will all join us in wishing her a fond farewell and all the best in her new role.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards, Miss Page

Star Writers of the Week		
Cedar	Oliver	
Elm	William	
Maple	Ella	
Willow	Sonny	



Maths Champions of the Week		
Cedar	Kiera	
Elm	Millie	
Maple	Lea	
Willow	Chloe	

Nursery Star of the Week

Tia

For always being a kind friend.

Reception Star of the Week

Ash Class

Ismail

For trying very hard in class.

Oak Class

Junior

For trying hard with his name writing.

Year 1 Star of the Week

Cedar Class

Joaquim

For being a Dobson Duck when sounding out words.

Elm Class

Bejna

For always trying her best with her learning.

Year 2 Star of the Week

Maple Class

George

For being a Dobson Duck and sharing his ideas.

Willow Class

Rosie W

For always contributing during class discussions.



Dojo Points - Headteacher Stickers - Postcard Home

The following children have achieved their Dojo points target and will be getting a postcard home:

Aimee L, Grayson S, Jonny H, Martin N, Rokas T, Sienna S, Sophie L

ATTENDANCE

Please remember, you **must** inform the school by telephone or email on the first day of your child's absence. For safeguarding we require, in addition to your own contact details, at least two additional emergency contacts.



Our attendance target is 96%. The attendance for this year so far is: 94.25%. This has, unfortunately, gone down from last week's 95.2%.

Yr R Ash 93.33% Yr 1Cedar 96.67% Yr 2 Maple 93.33% Yr R Oak 95.89% Yr 1 Elm 90.76% Yr 2 Willow 90.83%

Well done Cedar Class!

Friends of Langtons Infant School

The Friends of Langtons Infant School, FOLIS for short, are a group of parents and teachers who organise and run fundraising and other events for Langtons Infant School.

You can never have enough volunteers and we are always looking and grateful for any new members. If you are interested in helping, be it a one off or on a more ongoing basis, please contact us on office@langtons-inf.havering.sch.uk or 01708 447 866. We'd love to hear from you!

The first event this school year will be our "Spooky Disco" on Monday 31st October after school. We will be sending further details regaring booking this event for your child in October. If you are interested in helping out at this after school event, please let us know.

ABACUS

Abacus Breakfast Club runs from 7.45am Monday to Friday, during term time. There is no need to book, just turn up after your initial registration. The children have a healthy breakfast such as toast, cereal, crumpets or bagels. There is also a special of the day which could be yoghurt, fruit and honey. Abacus provide a selection of table top games, such as air hockey or pool. Alongside this are board games and craft activities. Children can attend for one or five mornings a week, or just when required. The cost is £6.50 from 7.45am and £6.00 from 8.00am. The children are taken into school for the start of the school day. For more information please call Kayley on 07903 708 764 or go to their website www.abacusafterschoolclubs.com where you can also download their registration forms.

Year 2 to Year 3 transfer: This seems a bit early, but you know how quickly time passes...

If you have a child in Year 2, you will have to apply for a Year 3 place. Please go to https://www.havering.gov.uk/eadmissions to apply. If you live outside of Havering, please apply via your own authority.

Reception Start 2023: If your child is due to start in Reception in 2023, please apply for a place as soon as possible. Please go to www.havering.gov.uk/admissions/primary

Key Messages

Free School Meals/Pupil Premium – Although all children in Reception through to Year 2 do not have to pay for school dinners, if you are in receipt of benefits, you may be entitled to free school meals once your child goes into Year 3. By registering your entitlement now, you ensure that your child will receive free meals later on, even if your circumstances have changed by then. It also means that this school will receive extra funding called Pupil Premium which we can then use to support your child. So the sooner you apply, the better.

For further details or to apply please go to: https://www.havering.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

On School Grounds - Please <u>do not</u> use your mobile phone. Children are not permitted to ride their bikes or scooters once they have entered site. Please ensure your child walks into school and pushes their scooter/bike.

Labelling of Items – Please remember to put your child's name on all items they bring in to school. This includes hats, scarves, gloves, water bottles, book bags, etc.

Absences – please remember to always contact the office either by email (office@langtonsinf.havering.sch.uk) or by leaving a message on our absence line (telephone 01708 447 866) by 9am on the first day of your child's absence. When leaving a message on the answerphone please clearly state your child's name, class and the specific reason for their absence. If your child is unwell, please specify whether this is because they have a cold, a temperature or are feeling sick, etc.

It is our duty to make contact with every parent whose child is absent to check that everything is ok and the family are not in an emergency situation needing assistance. If we cannot make contact, we may make a home visit to make sure everyone is ok.

Emails – when emailing the office, please always include your child's full name and class. This will help our office staff by cutting down on the time they have to spend looking up details.

We greatly appreciate your support as this helps us to free up time for other tasks.











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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	EVENT	Details
26.09.22	All Reception children in full time 8.45am-3.05pm	
27.09.22	Year 1 PE day on Tuesday instead of Thursday due to photographs	
28.09.22	Reception parent workshop regarding expectations – 2.15pm	Reception parents invited into school at 2.15pm
29.09.22	Individual Photographs	Photographer in school
30.09.22	Harvest Festival at St Andrew's Church	Details have been sent
03.10.22	Dyslexia awareness week	
07.10.22	Coffee Morning	Further details on page 1
07.10.22	Break the Rules Day	Details to follow
12.10.22	Open Day for New Intake parents September 2023 throughout the day	
w/b 17.10.22	Year 1 trip to Langtons Gardens	Details to follow
21.10.22	Diwali (on 24 th October)	Activities in class
2428.10.22	Half Term	School closed
31.10.22	First Day Back – Start of Autumn 2 nd Half Term	
31.10.22	Spooky Disco after school	Details to follow
w/b 07.11.22	Parents' Evenings	Details to follow

Nursery News

The children have had a fun packed week this week. They participated in their first cooking activity and loved making mini pizza faces and being able to choose which ingredients they wanted to use on their pizza.





As part of their outdoor learning, the children were using natural resources such as stones and sticks to make a variety of shapes.

We also made some salt dough faces, and the children used pasta and dried materials to create their facial features.





This week we continued with the introduction to Phonics, starting with Phase 1. The aim of Phase 1 is to develop the awareness of the sounds around them and to support their listening skills.

This week the children have enjoyed listening to environmental sounds, playing games such as Magic Bag. Have a go at exploring sounds at home such as clicking pens, door bells, kettle sounds, toilet flushing and footsteps.

Please could we ask for a family photo to support our family theme next week. These can be physical copies or emailed into the school office.

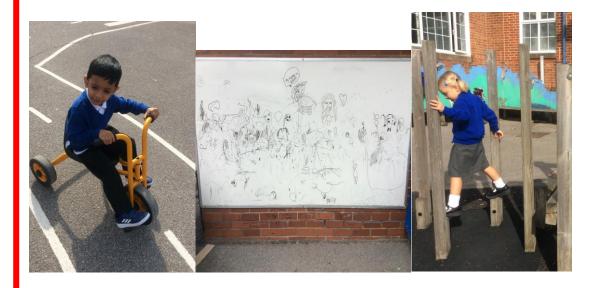
Reception News

This week:

We have had another great week in Reception and you all have stayed for a full day at school! We are getting better at following the routines in our class. This week we have been playing different phonics games to help us with our listening skills. In maths we have been singing different counting songs including 5 little ducks and 10 green bottles. In our outdoor area we have enjoyed playing different games on the wobbly bridge and drawing on the big whiteboard. At lunchtime we have continued to eat our lunches and then went to play in the big playground.

Could you please bring in one family photo either a photocopy or an original as we are going to be talking about "who lives in our home."

Well done Reception children for another fantastic week.



The Reception Team ©

Year 1 News

This week: In Maths we have continued to practise addition! We have practised adding two numbers together and writing it as a number sentence.

In our Topic lessons we have been learning about different types of homes and where we live. The children have used oil pastels to draw their homes and used the Tap-a-Shape to build their own!





Year 1 have also enjoyed using the Chromebooks in our Computing lessons. The children have practised logging on and changing their avatar on Purple Mash.

Purple Mash log ins have now been stuck into Reading records. Each week there will be a piece of homework set for your child to complete. Good luck!

In Phonics we have practised the sounds y, z, zz, qu. We have read a range of CVC words such as, yes, zap, buzz and quiz.

To help your child recap on these sounds please read 'Quick Quiz'. This book has been allocated to you on Bug Club ©

Year 2 News

Topic: This week in English we used our story maps to write our own pirate story. They were really exciting and the teachers loved reading them. We especially enjoyed reading about the evil captain!

In art we learnt about Van Gogh and wrote some facts about him.

We have also been using atlases to locate the continents and oceans, as well as to identify the countries and seas that make up the United Kingdom.





Maths: We have been adding and subtracting this week. We also explored commutativity and used the same three numbers to create two addition and two subtraction number sentences.

Phonics: We've been learning alternative ways to make the 'oa' sound. We have learnt 'oa' boat, 'ow' blow, 'o-e' cone, 'oe' toe and long 'o' only. Our Bug Club Book is 'Animal Skeletons'.

Please speak to the office if you are able to accompany the children walking to the church for Harvest Festival. Thank you.