Loatlands Edition

Respect, Resilience and Curiosity

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Dates for your Diary

<u>September</u>

Monday 26th – 30th Year 6 Kingswood Residential Tuesday 27th Dahl Class Birthday Party

October

Tuesday 4th Y2 walk to the Heritage Centre

Monday 10th Y1 Circus Workshop

Monday 10th -13th Year 6 Bikeability Course

Friday 14th Morpurgo Class Birthday Party

November

Wednesday 9th – 11th Year 4 Condover Hall Residential Friday 4th Pullman Class Birthday Party

Welcome

We are pleased to welcome our new members of staff – Mrs Kershaw (Office administrator), Mrs Kirkup (TA), Mr Darton and Mrs Limmage (Lunchtime supervisors) we look forward to working with them this year.

Welcome back to Mrs Lacey who has returned after her maternity leave.

Congratulations to Mrs Small who got married over the summer. Her new name is Mrs Procter.

As mentioned in our first letter of the term, a new Assistant Headteacher with responsibility for SEN and Inclusion will be joining us from January. Now that parents at her current school have been informed, we are pleased to announce that it will be Mrs Beckie Robinson that is joining us. Mrs Robinson is currently a SENCO at a school in Northampton and is looking forward to becoming a part of the Loatlands family. In the coming weeks and months she will be visiting the school to get to know us a little better and we will introduce her to parents on the playground before and after the school day during the second half of the Autumn Term.



"My name is Beckie Robinson and I'm excited to be joining the Loatlands team after Christmas and getting to know the whole school community. I've been a teacher for over 20 years, with a love of science, maths and music. I live with my husband and two children; Josh who is 17 and Naomi who is 14. I love anything outdoors, especially walking, and I recently completed a virtual walk from Lands End to John O'Groats, currently clocking up over 1300 miles so far this year. I can't wait to get to know all the children and families over the coming months."

Iewellery

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are not allowed to wear jewellery or watches, this includes earrings. These should be removed before coming to school. Children in Years 3 to 6 are not allowed to wear any jewellery except a watch and one pair of stud earrings. Earrings must be removed by the child for PE and swimming. If your child is unable to remove earrings themselves, they should be removed before they come to school.

Uniform and Other Belongings in School

Please remember to name all items of clothing including coats, jumpers, cardigans, forest school kit, sun hats, lunch boxes and water bottles. This makes it easier for staff to reunite children with lost belongings.



Medical Appointments during School time

If your child needs to attend a medical appointment during the school day, please let the school office know and provide a copy of the letter/appointment card prior to the appointment so this can be properly recorded as a medical appointment on your child's records.

Absence

If your child is absent from school due to illness, please either ring the school office and leave a message on the absence line or send a message via the Studybugs App everyday of your child's absence (Get the app or register now (https://studybugs.com/about/parents)

Please can we remind parents about the rules regarding sickness and diarrhoea. If your child is suffering with sickness or diarrhoea, they cannot return to school until 48 hours after the last bout.

Accident reporting system

To avoid sending paperwork home with children we will continue to use our texting system to let you know if your child has had a minor accident at school, this includes minor bumps and grazes. This will advise you that a minor injury has occurred with a brief description and if you wish to have more information then you are able to contact the School Office. If your child has a more serious accident or a head injury, you will receive a telephone call as normal.

Break time snacks

Key Stage 1

Children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 are provided with a fruit snack at break time therefore one does not need to be provided from home.

Key Stage 2

As a healthy eating school, all break time snacks for KS2 should be a healthy snack i.e. fruit, dried fruit, cheese, carrot/cucumber sticks, tomatoes, etc. No sweets, cakes/cake bars, biscuits, cereal bars or crisps are allowed. We will also not be accepting 'Fruit Winders' or other processed fruit products as these are very high in sugar. Please note we are a Nut Free School so children should not be bringing nuts as a snack or any product containing nuts.



We have children who are allergic to Sesame seeds and nuts so please speak with your children about not sharing food with other children to keep everyone safe.

Parking outside the school

Unfortunately, we have already received several complaints this week from a local residents and parents please can we ask that all adults driving to school to ensure that they park safely and respectfully; without endangering other road users. We receive dozens of complaints each year from both parents and local residents regarding this issue and even reports that, when asked politely to move, residents have been sworn at. Please be respectful – it paints a very bad picture of the school when members of our community behave in this.

PE days - Term 1

Please see below for PE days for Term 1.

Year Group	PE days – Term 1	
Reception	Monday (start date to follow)	
Year 1 Ahlberg	Tuesday	
Year 1 Jeffers	Wednesday	
Year 2	Tuesday and Thursday	
Year 3	Monday and Thursday	
Year 4	Thursday	
Year 5	Wednesday and Friday	
Year 6	Thursday and Friday	

Before/after school clubs

Term 1

	Before school	After school
Monday	Hot shots basketball KS2 8am – 8-45am	Cross Country Club 3.15pm -4.00pm – current members only start date TBC
Tuesday		Year 3 Cricket/Rounders 3.15pm - 4.15pm
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday	Year 5 and 6 Tag Rugby Club 8am – 8.45am	

Pupil Data Checking Forms

All children in Years 1-6 have been sent home with a blank pupil data collection sheet, permissions form and collection arrangements form. Please complete all forms ensuring all telephone numbers and emergency contacts are up-to-date. Please return all forms to the school office by Monday 26th September.

Timestable Rockstars

The results for this week's battle of highest scoring class are:

1st place – Cowell 8371 points 2nd place – Tolkien 4660 points 3rd place – Lewis 3396 points

Largest improvement in accuracy in 7 days

1st place – Sebastian 2nd place – Rosie 3rd place – Esmee

Well done to everyone who took part



Safeguarding Spotlight

This year's National Eye Health Week (NEHW) will take place from 19 to 25 September 2022, promoting the importance of good eye health and the need for regular eye tests for all.

Vision really matters. Sight is the sense people fear losing the most, yet many of us don't know how to look after our eyes – National Eye Health Week aims to change all that!

The importance of eye sight towards the overall wellbeing, independence and quality of life of an individual is too important to be ignored. This is why eye care charities, health professionals and organisations across the UK are encouraged to join together during this week to promote the importance of eye health and need for regular tests.

You can find out more, and read advice on how to look after your eyes on the vision matters website:

<u>Vision Matters - National Eye Health Week</u>

A few Did you know? To leave you with;

- The average person blinks 12 times a minute (bet you just blinked!).
 - The optic nerve contains more than one million nerve cells.
 - Ommatophobia is a fear of the eyes.





Please get the **free Studybugs app** for reporting your child's absence due to illness.

https://studybugs.com







Report sickness, receive guidance, help improve children's health

See what illnesses are going around

Secure system, all communications encrypted









Term Dates 2022-2023

Term 1

Training Day Thursday 1 September 2022

Training Day Friday 2 September
Term starts Monday 5 September
Term ends Friday 14 October

Term 2

Term starts Monday 31 October
Term ends Friday 16 December
Training Day Monday 19 December

Term 3

Term starts
Tuesday 3 January 2023
Term ends
Thursday 9 February
Training Day
Friday 10 February

Term 4

Term starts Monday 20 February
Term ends Friday 31 March

Term 5

Term starts Monday 17 April
Term ends Friday 26 May

Term 6

Term starts Monday 5 June
Term ends Wednesday 26 July
Training Day Thursday 27 July



Montsaye Community Sports Centre - Rothwell

24th-26th October 09:00-15:30 Boys & Girls 4-12 years old

www.thefootballfunfactory.co.uk



Please park safely and considerately.

Ensure there is adequate space for emergency vehicle access at all times.

- DO NOT park within 10 metres of/or opposite a junction
- DO NOT park on a bend you may obscure visibility
- DO NOT park on a footpath
- DO NOT obstruct residents' driveways or garages
- DO NOT double park
- DO NOT park on a drop-kerb







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