



Les Landes Newsletter

21st June, 2019



Dear Parents,

Attendance

Our whole school attendance is currently 95.7%. I would like to end the year above average for the island at 97%. As you know, children need to be at school every day in order to access the curriculum and make progress. In addition, please be reminded that school starts promptly at 8.45am; it is a parental responsibility to ensure your child arrives at school on time. The late register entries are reviewed regularly by the school and the Education Welfare Service.

School Walk

The rescheduled date is **Wednesday 17th July**. Sponsorship money is very welcome at any time. We would like to spend the money investing in IT across the school. Apart from the Christmas Fayre, our walk is our largest fundraising event and your support is appreciated.

UK visit

Last week, Mrs Webster and I visited two schools in the south of England as part of a CYPES funded project. Both schools have been graded as 'Outstanding' by OFSTED and it was a great opportunity for us to reflect on our practice and look at different approaches and strategies to raise the quality of teaching and learning. We were very reassured that our school provides a very good deal for our children and we have some new ideas to implement to refine what we do.

An eco solution to parties

We have a party box of reusable plastic plates, cups and cutlery that families can hire for the weekend for £10. This means you won't need to buy single use plastic cups and paper plates and you are supporting the school Eco team in the process. Please ask Mrs Wiseman if you are interested.

Lost Property

This week in assembly, I have talked (quite firmly) to the children about the huge amount of lost property we have. I have reminded them that their uniform is something they should take pride in, pride being one of the school's core values. We have so many jumpers, tracksuits and coats without names. If they are not claimed by the end of term we will be donating the entire basket to charity and recycling it into second hand uniform.



Headphones

I have talked to the children several times in the last few months about their respect for property. We regularly have to replace headphones in the computer bay as the wires get chewed, the ear coverings removed, the frames are snapped. We simply do not have a disposable budget for replacements like this. From September, we will be asking children to provide their own set of headphones which they can keep labelled in their drawer (Y2-Y5).

School security

In the mornings we will be keeping the main door closed rather than hooking it back. This is to reduce the risk of young children leaving the building without parents. We will also be adding springs to the side gate and the church gate, again to reduce risk.

Breakfast Club

Mrs Wiseman will shortly be sending the July invoices. These must be settled by **5th July** so that we can reconcile the end of school year accounts. We will also be sending a form confirming places for September. If you have not used Breakfast Club before, and you are thinking about a place next term, please get in touch because we have several new families and a limited availability.

JCCT illustrator competition

Before half term we sent home entries for an illustrator competition, following a visit in assembly from the Jersey Child Care Trust. Please can you return any entries to school before **Friday 28th June** so that they can be collected.

Hats for Headway

The children have brought home a colouring competition to design a helmet. The winning entry will be made into a helmet and the winning school will receive an iPad. Entries need to be back at the end of next week, **28th June** so that we can select and send our entry.

Clubs

Just a reminder that there will be no clubs in the last week of term. Choir will finish after their performance at the manor.

Dates

NEXT YEAR'S DATES ARE ALL IN THE CALENDAR NOW

Monday 24th June - St Aubin's Fort Y5

Tuesday 25th June - St Aubin's Fort Y5

Wednesday 26th June - St Aubin's Fort Y5

Friday 28th June - Y1 assembly for parents 2pm

Monday 1st July - Crabbe Y3

Tuesday 2nd July - Crabbe Y3

Wednesday 3rd July - Y2 beach day

Thursday 4th July - Y4 assembly 2pm

Thursday 4th July - Y6 Transition, pop in session for new Reception

Friday 5th July - Y6 Transition, pop in session for new Reception

Friday 5th July - all children in their new class all day

Saturday 6th July - St Ouen's Fete, choir singing 12pm

Tuesday 9th July - Parent Consultations - *a change from Wed*

Thursday 11th July - Parent Consultations

Friday 12th July - Sports Day 10am and Community Picnic 12pm, Y3 Ukulele concert

Monday 15th July - Y2 Wedding, St George's Church

Wednesday 17th July - School Walk

Thursday 18th July - Y6 Leavers' Assembly

Friday 19th July - Last day of term

Mrs Charlesworth

