Long Lawford Primary School



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Long Lawford News...

This week it has been wonderful to welcome the children back to school. The children have settled down to their studies well this week and have been keen to give of their best in lessons. Walking around the school, which I try to do at least once a day, I have seen some wonderful learning. In my assemblies this week I have told the children to not count the days but to make each day count!

<u>Attendance</u> - Before the Easter holidays I gave an update on school attendance and a break down by class. Our current overall attendance is 95.46%. This year we have set ourselves the target of achieving an overall school attendance of 96%. Please help us to achieve this by ensuring your child is in school on time each day. <u>Taking leave from school during term time</u> - It is important to talk to the school, and in particular the Head teacher, <u>before a decision</u> to take leave is made and also to complete and submit an application form <u>at least</u> 6 weeks beforehand. Please note that:

- The Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006 as amended by Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2013 no longer permit Head Teachers to authorise leave for holidays;
- Head Teachers may grant leave of absence in exceptional circumstances;
- If the exceptional circumstances are agreed, the Head Teacher will determine the length of the absence authorised;
- Parents may be breaking the law if their children take leave without permission;
- In some cases schools may take children who are absent without permission off roll.

<u>School travel plan</u> - Thank you to parents and carers who have taken the time to complete the school travel questionnaire. Your views are important in formulating the school travel plan. I will report on the main findings from the survey shortly. In the meantime it is clear that a number of parents, carers and children would welcome a bike shelter located on the lower playground and this is something I will speak to the local authority about as they look to extend the school.

<u>Nursery place</u> - If your child has been offered a place at our school nursery the deadline for accepting, or declining, the place is this Monday, 11th April 2016. Please keep to this deadline to avoid the disappointment of losing the place.

<u>Headlice</u> - Unfortunately we have had some reports of head lice this week. Please check your child's hair regularly. Longer hair should also be tied back in school wherever possible. Thank you.

<u>London Trip</u> - All monies for the Year 6 trip to London next month should have been paid. Please contact the school in the case of difficulty etc.

<u>School website</u> - Please note that the diary section of the school website has recently been updated.

STARS OF THE WEEK

<u>Star workers</u> Holly Soper, Jorja-Leigh Parsons, Amelia Barrington-Ward, Laiba Khares, Jay Jay Capp, Riley Clamp, Danny A'Ness, Matei Ichim, Imogen Mason, Logan Ford, Miles Johnson, Ruby O'Toole, Clio Cosgrove, Cameron Haggan, Maja Mizgalska, Teagan Clydesdale, Nelaksi Sivaraj.



<u>Star people -</u> Poppy Morris, Sofia Apetroaei, Kai-Reece Cole, Logan Bannerman, Laila Mae Howard, Kane Simpson, Kai Stafford, Demi Duffy, Nina Misztela, Ruby Gowdy, Erin Griffiths, Oliver Sek, Chloe Clamp, Max Beaver, Bethan Pybus, Scarlett Wilson, Harrison Anderson.