

NEWSLETTER Thursday 9th February 2023

Dear Parents,

I can hardly believe we are winging our way towards half term already! Spring is definitely around the corner, the bulbs are beginning to burst through, and the blooms won't be long away. Please read on for the latest news.

LANDSCOPE LEARNERS

Class One created a wonderful collaborative collage of our solar system this week. There was lots of great discussion about the planets, and I heard the children using a variety of space vocabulary. In their maths learning this week, Class One have been at the shop buying fruit and vegetables - combining two amounts to find the total. They've also been working hard on forming and orienting their numerals - fantastic!



Class 2 spent an afternoon finishing their African sunset paintings. They added the animal silhouettes to their backgrounds to produce their final creation. The children are all very proud of their masterpieces.





Class 3 have been experimenting with tone to show light and shade. Inspired by Henri Rousseau they have been getting busy, creating their own pieces which show how they have built up layers of marks, colours and textures. Great work!



ETHOS & VALUES

Our children's Ethos Group have recently completed a collective worship survey with the aim to ensure that collective worship remains important and relevant to the children. They had lots of positive comments and some ways they wanted to improve our times of reflection when we come together. These include:

- ✚ Learning more about what's happening in the world. – something we will do using a new resource called Picture News.
- ✚ Opening the spiritual garden as soon as the weather gets better
- ✚ KS2 children to sit on benches during collective worship
- ✚ Having more opportunities to lead CW (main events in Christian calendar). Think about how our questions could be more appropriate for our younger children.

They really engaged well in some thoughtful discussion – well done!



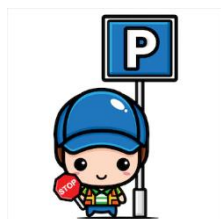


In our FaB lesson this week, Class Four welcomed a Humanist speaker. We were fascinated to hear how Lisa's beliefs have changed throughout her life and how she became a Humanist by accident. One of the activities was to look at a group of objects (toy soldiers, a pack of playing cards and a pencil) from the perspective of a Humanist and a religious person. This pre-empted some interesting discussions and made us consider things we had never previously thought about

FOLS ~ a message from Michelle

- Movie Night POSTPONED to Friday 10th March
- Upcoming FOLS events, please support or help where you can ~
- 21st February (Shrove Tuesday): pancakes will be on sale before school from 8:30am in the hall. 50p each. Any topping donations gratefully received.
- 24th February: Second hand uniform & book sale plus tuck shop
- 10th March: New date for Movie Night
- 24th March: Second hand uniform & Krispy Kreme donut sale

Thank you all for your continued support, have a great half term break.
Many thanks,
Michelle



INCONSIDERATE & DANGEROUS PARKING.

It would seem that several times each year I am asked by parents and staff to mention parking in my newsletters. This half term I have even been sent photos of offending vehicles. **PLEASE DO NOT** park against the hedge in the entrance to the car park and **DO NOT** park on the yellow cross hatch. I am sure you know if this is you! We are not trying to be a pain, this is for safety reasons. Thank you!

REMINDER: Please book dinners via Parent Pay 48 hours in advance.

SAFEGUARDING & ATTENDANCE

Attendance: (Our school target is 97%)	
Whole school	96.3%
Class 1	98%
Class 2	95.7%
Class 3	94.8%
Class 4	97.9%
Well done to Class 1!	

If you are concerned about a child's wellbeing, please contact the school or in non-school hours contact MASH on 0345 155 1071.

Our designated safeguarding officer is Mrs. Ryder and the deputy safeguarding officer is Mr. Ansermoz

INTERNET SAFETY please use the following link for parent tips, advice, guides and resources to help keep your child safe online. <https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

LET'S TALK ABOUT LATENESS...

Landscope is a great school, and your children play their part in making it so. We aim for all our community to feel the warm glow of success during their time with us. For our children to gain the greatest benefit from their education it is vital that they attend regularly, and your child should be at school, **on time, every day** the school is open unless the reason for the absence is unavoidable.

School drop-off starts from 8:45am and children will need to be in school by 8:55am to start their lessons. Any child arriving after 9:10 will be marked as late. Please ensure that you go to the office if your child is late as we will need you to sign them in. Thank you.

WORD OF THE FORTNIGHT ~ the children have asked that we continue to do this...so...

Our word this fortnight is: **Polymath** A 'Polymath' is someone who is very good at learning and knows a lot about different subjects. Can you guess who chose this word?

PARENT CONSULTATION MEETINGS

Parent consultations will be coming up after the half term holiday~ Tuesday 28th Feb and Thursday 2nd March. You can book your appointment via eSchools. Amanda will be sending your log in details to you tomorrow by email. Any problems then let us know after half term.

Could I just remind you that fitting everyone in is always quite a challenge and those of you with early appointments usually do quite well. It tends to be those of you with the later slots that can suffer from the dreaded "long wait syndrome". Please help us to maintain our 10-minute schedules and if 10 minutes isn't going to be long enough, we can easily arrange to meet you again at a later date. Thank you (on behalf of the teachers and people with the late appointments!!!)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

10 th Feb	Break up for half term – normal time
20 th Feb	Term resumes
27 th Feb	Class 4 Class assembly 3pm school hall. Parents invited to attend.
28 th Feb	Parent consultations
2 nd March	Parent Consultations and World book day
15 th March	Class 2 Class assembly 3pm school hall. Parents invited to attend.
17 th March	Mothering Friday 9:15 at St Matthew's
21 st March	Class 3 Class assembly 3pm school hall. Parents invited to attend.
22 nd March	Class 1 Class assembly 3pm school hall. Parents invited to attend.

That's all the news for now. Have a good half term.

Jill Ryder.

