



Nelson Academy

NEWSLETTER

12th February 2016

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Diary Dates

Half term - 15th-19th February inclusive

EYFS/KS1 Parents Meeting – Wednesday 24th February 8.30am-6.30pm

KS2 Parents Meeting – Monday 22nd February 8.30am-6.30pm

Futures Fair – Friday 18th March

End of term – Thursday 24th March

Summer Term begins - Monday 11th April

Bank Holiday Monday – 2nd May

Y6 SATs Week – 9th -13th May

Fitness Week – 23rd-27th May (to include Mini-Marathon)

Half term – 30th May-3rd June inclusive

Sports Day – Wednesday 15th June

Theatre Club production of The Lion King:

Dress rehearsal – Wednesday 22nd June pm

Performance 1 – Thursday 23rd June 6pm

Performance 2 – Friday 24th June 6pm

Friday 1st July – Reports home

End of term - Wednesday 20th July

Whole school attendance percentage for week ending: 5th February 2016

93.8%

London	90.77	Carmarthen	96.07
Edinburgh	81.71	Lancaster	95.5
Cambridge	95.0	Keele	97.37
Leeds	94.62	Durham	96.02
Norwich	95.91	York	91.3
Bristol	95.22	Exeter	95.24
Warwick	94.07	Oxford	98.0

WELL DONE OXFORD CLASS FOR BEST ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

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The Newsletter is now being uploaded onto the friends of Nelson Facebook page. It is strictly for **information only** and any questions parents may have **must** be directed to the office.

Owing to an increased admin workload, increasing congestion in the school entrance in the mornings and safeguarding concerns with non staff adults in corridors and class areas before school, we will be operating the office arrangements slightly differently from after half term.

- Mrs Clarke will be in the entrance to help with any queries from 8.30. She will be able to help with forms, children who have arrived late, and general enquiries. She will be taking messages to pass on to other staff if necessary. She will also be collecting mobile phones from children, which must be given in **before school**.
- Children going to Sensory Circuits should be taken to the door by the small hall where they will be met by staff.
- We are increasingly spending time trying to contact parents when children have forgotten PE kits, swimming things, permission slips etc. Please ensure your child(ren) arrive at school equipped for the day as we will not be chasing up forgotten items.
- Lost Property will be available after school only.
- We will be making more use of the answering machine in the mornings - we will listen to and respond to your message during the same morning, but please use the absence line or email to tell us of an absence.

Many thanks for your support in this; we hope to be delivering a better service to you.

Excellent Work Assemblies – Spring Term
2016 @ 2.30pm

HALF TERM

Friday 26th February: Year 1

Friday 4th March: Year R

Friday 11th March: Nursery

Friday 18th March: No Assembly as Futures Fair

Class Assemblies Spring Term @
2.30pm

Nursery - 2nd March

FUTURE FAIR

I am organising the **Year 5/6 Future Fair** to be held on **Friday 18th March from 2pm - 4pm. Parents of these children are invited to this event.** This has been a really successful event the last few years.

It does however rely upon people giving up their own time, to represent their work, with the aim of inspiring the young people and giving them an insight into what jobs will be available when they leave school.

Please let me know if you feel this is an event you would like to be part of. You will have a table and a display board if needed and children will pass your stall asking you questions and gathering information about your job. We invite the press so it will be good advertising for you too.

I would appreciate a quick response to this event as it will be here before we know it.

Louise Ward

THINKING DAY

Some pupils are part of Girlguiding in Rainbows, Brownies and Guides. The 22nd of February 2016 is "Thinking Day" for Girlguiding where we encourage the girls to think about Guiding around the world and has been celebrated since 1926. It is a day of international friendship, speaking out on issues that affect girls and young women, and centres around the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS).

It has been a long standing tradition for girls in Guiding to wear their Guiding uniforms on Thinking Day, this not only enables them to show their support for this important guiding day, but also allows them to identify other guiders that are not from their unit and reaffirm that they are part of a much wider and inclusive family.

Thinking Day is also a good opportunity to promote guiding in our local areas too. This year the 22nd of February is the first day back to school after the February half-term, Nelson Academy is happy to give permission for the girls that would like to wear their Girl Guiding uniforms to school, to do so on this day?