



**Nelson
Academy**

NEWSLETTER

18th September 2015

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**Whole school
attendance percentage
For week ending:
11/09/2015**



London	99.2%	Carmarthen	95.8%
Edinburgh	86.1%	Lancaster	98.9%
Cambridge	99.2%	Keele	97.8%
Leeds	97.0%	Durham	94.1%
Norwich	98.2%	York	95.6%
Bristol	94.2%	Exeter	99.0%
Warwick	96.6%	Oxford	99.0%

Dear Writing Club Families,

This year, Writing Club will be a bit different. Instead of meeting at lunch times, students will have the option to drop off their finished writing work on Thursdays for editing and feedback if they so wish, rather than staying in at lunch time. Writing books will be provided for students, and a short informal meeting will take place on Thursday September 24 at 1pm in Lancaster class to explain the changes to all students who are interested.

Thanks, and see you there!

Miss Grabowski

Attendance

For the 2nd year running we have met our attendance targets and are very proud of our improved attendance. - in Summer 2, attendance was over 96%!

Overall for the year the figure was 95.4% well done all. There were over 150 pupils who had over 96% attendance and 20 who were here 100% of the time!

There is a direct correlation between rates of progress and attendance and I think our improved profile of progress and attainment bear this out.

Many thanks for your continued support with this. Our target this year is to beat 96%

Lunchtimes

Since we have shortened lunchtimes by 15 minutes, I am pleased to tell you that the impact on behaviour has been nothing short of amazing!

Since the beginning of term, we have had only 2 entries in the Behaviour File as opposed to 10 entries for the same period last year. All teachers are able to start teaching immediately following lunchtime rather than spending time unpicking arguments and conflict from the lunch hour, so your children have more learning time every day.

We will continue to monitor this and feed back to you.

Please can we remind you that school lunches are now £2.20

Excellent Work assemblies

Friday 25th September: Year 5

Friday 2nd October: Year 4

Friday 9th October: Year 3

Friday 16th October: Year 2

HALF TERM

Friday 6th November: Year R

Friday 13th November: Children in Need assembly

Friday 20th November: Nursery

Friday 27th November: Year 1

Class Assemblies Autumn Term 2015: 2.35pm

Exeter - 23rd September

Durham - 30th September

York - 7th October

Keele - 14th October

Lancaster - 21st October

HALF TERM

Warwick - 11th November

Carmarthen - 18th November

Bristol - 25th November

Macmillan Coffee Morning Friday 25th September 9am - 11.30am

After the success of last year's event we would like to do the same again and hopefully raise lots of money for the worthwhile charity. Staff will be making the cakes and biscuits to sell so please come along and relax with a drink and cake. There will be a raffle and a few games. If you have any contacts for raffle prizes please let us know. All raffle prizes can be given to Mrs Westall or Mrs Plummer in Bristol Class.



Please can we remind parents to inform their children that riding bikes and scooters are forbidden inside the school grounds. This is a Health and Safety issue. We have had a few very near misses with other children and pushchairs.

This also includes children that are in Nursery.

Meet the Teacher - after school on Monday 21st September.

This is a drop in session to collect information packs. If you have more than one child then please drop into each class. The teacher will be available until 4pm