



# Lansdownne News March 2018



## Chocolate Bingo



Come and join the fun on Friday 23rd March when the Lansdownne Academy Supporters Association will be holding Chocolate Bingo in the school hall. Doors will open at 5.15pm and prizes will be Easter chocolate based. Your first book will cost £1 and additional books 50p. 'Eyes down' at 5.30pm.



## Mothers' celebration

You are invited to come along to St Chad's Church in Hunter Street, at 10.00am on Friday 9th March to join our Mothers' day celebration. This is a lovely way for all the children to thank their mothers' for everything they do for them! If you would like to volunteer to help walk the children to and from church, please contact the school office.



## Unexplained Absence



Please remember to contact school on the first day of your child's absence by 9.00am to advise us of the reason, and update us on your child's progress every 3 days. If we do not hear from you, we will try to contact you by phone to establish the reason for your child's absence. Following a recent tragic case, highlighted in the press, we will be contacting every person we have on record as a contact for your child, whenever a child is absence without explanation. If we are still unable to make contact, a text will be sent and we ask that you respond to this as soon as possible. If we have been unable to make contact within 3 days, a referral to Education Welfare may be made, followed by a home visit. I am sure you will agree that our children's safety and wellbeing is of paramount importance, therefore, it is vital that we work together to ensure this. If you wish to check the contact numbers we hold on record for your child, please speak to the school office.

## Easter Activities



We will be holding our annual Easter egg competitions on the last day of the Spring Term, and we would like all of the children to **bring 2 hard boiled eggs into school on Thursday 29th March**. One of these will be used for the egg rolling competition and should only have your child's name written on it in felt pen.



The other egg should be decorated in any way you would like and should also have your child's name written on it. There will be prizes for the winner in each year group. Entry is £1.00, which covers entry into both of these events.

The eggs in the photographs below show some ideas of how you could decorate your egg.



## Reading



Did you know that Mrs Casey gives prizes to those children who read 5 times a week? If your child reads at home and has their reading diary signed on 5 different days, they will receive class Dojo's. Mrs Casey also hands out special prizes on random Fridays. Please support your child with their reading to help them achieve a special prize. Don't forget, they can also read on Bug Club which counts towards one of their 5 different occasions.

## E-Safety tip of the month



Whether you're an online expert or you're not sure where to start, here are 4 key tips to help you:

- Explore the online world together.
- Talk to your child about staying safe online.
- Manage the software and tools your family use.
- Agree rules about what's okay and what's not.

## Easter Lunch

Easter lunch will be served to pupils on Wednesday 28th March. Menus will be available in school.



We have noticed that a few of our children are either arriving in school on their own, or with a primary aged sibling. We ask that you ensure your child is accompanied to and from school by someone who is over 16 years of age and that they are named on your child's list of who can collect – we cannot allow children go home with someone who is not on the list or where no prior notification has been given. Please remember to inform school whenever you make alternative arrangements, including the name of the person who will be collecting your child. Further useful guidance on children walking to school independently or being left at home alone can be found at [www.nspcc.org.uk](http://www.nspcc.org.uk)



**NSPCC**

**Thursday 12th April**  
INSET DAY

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**Monday 16th April**  
School re-opens

**Tuesday 17th April**  
Miss Brown's class start swimming lessons

**Thursday 4th May**  
Spring Bonnet competition

**Monday 7th May**  
School closed for May Day Bank Holiday

**Thursday 24th May**  
Book Swap



**Monday 28th to Friday 1st June inclusive**  
Half Term Holiday



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**Monday 4th June**  
School re-opens



**Tuesday 5th June**  
Class photographs for Pre Nursery, Nursery and Year Two

**Monday 11th to Friday 15th June**  
Phonics Week



**Tuesday 3rd July**  
Sports Day for Nursery and Reception

**Wednesday 4th July**  
KS1 Sports Day

**Thursday 12th July**  
Book Swap

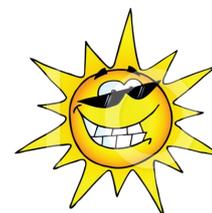


**Friday 13th July**  
Reports sent home

**Tuesday 17th July**  
Transition Day at Eton Park



**Friday 20th July**  
School break up for the Summer



## Tesco—School Uniform

We are looking into the possibility of whether Tesco would be able to provide an online service to purchase school uniform, including items with our school logo. We will give further details when they are available.

## Diary Dates



**Monday 5th March**  
Nursery Applications close

**Friday 9th March**  
Mothers' Day celebrations at St Chad's

You're Invited

**Tuesday 20th March**  
Last swimming lesson for Mrs Sleight's class

**Friday 23rd March**  
Chocolate Bingo—Lansdowne Academy Supporters

**Wednesday 28th March**  
Easter Lunch will be served

**Thursday 29th March**  
Decorate an egg and egg rolling competition  
Book Swap  
School breaks up for Easter



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