



Lansdowne News November 2018



Parent consultations

Thank you to all parents / carers who attended our parents' meetings before half term. If you were unable to attend, please make arrangements to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their progress so far.

Applications for Reception and Junior School, September 2019

If your child's 5th birthday is between 1st September 2019 and 31 August 2020, then you will need to apply for a place at First, Infant or Primary School.



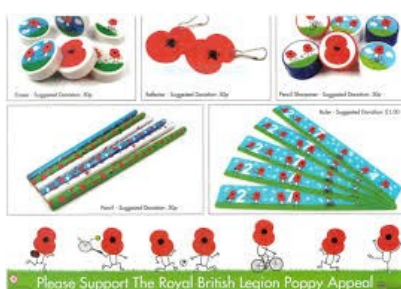
Applications for both reception and junior school places opens at www.staffordshire.gov.uk on Wednesday 1st November 2018. The closing date for applications is Tuesday 15th January 2019.

It is important that you apply for a place, even if your child is already in our Nursery. If you do not, your child will not be offered a place.

Poppies for sale

As in previous years the children will be given the opportunity to purchase a poppy. We ask for a minimum donation of 20p for traditional poppies.

This year the children will also have the opportunity to purchase alternative merchandise, ranging in price from 50p to £2.00 in support of the appeal. All proceeds are given to the Royal British Legion.



Children in Need

On Friday 16th November we will be joining in the fundraising, and we are asking the children to bring in a donation of British silver coins to help us once again fill in a picture of Pudsey. The proceeds will then be sent to Children in Need.



New Reception Starters

At the start of the new term, the Burton Mail came to school to photograph our new Reception starters. I am sure you will agree they all look very smart in their new school uniforms!



Raffle Prize Donations

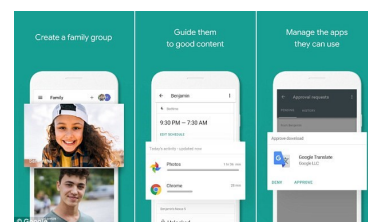


We are appealing for any items or unwanted gifts that would make suitable raffle prizes for use in our forthcoming Chocolate Bingo event. All donations will be gratefully received.

Online Safety

Google Family Link

Whether your children are younger or in their teens, the Family Link app lets you set digital ground rules to help guide them as they learn, play and explore online. Family Link lets you set time limits and a bedtime for their supervised devices, so that you can help them find a good balance. Lock their device—Whether it's time to go play outside, have dinner or just spend time together, you can remotely lock a supervised device whenever it's time to take a break.



Magical Mayhem



On Friday 21st December, Magical Mayhem will be in school to perform a magic show for the children. This event is funded by the Lansdowne Academy Supporters Association.



Cold weather



As we move towards winter we are expecting some quite cold weather. Please could you provide your child with a warm coat, hat and gloves. **PLEASE PUT YOUR CHILD'S NAME IN ALL OF THESE ITEMS.**



Reminder

Please remember that any money sent into school for trips, activities etc. must be in a sealed envelope, with your **child's full name, class and reason for payment (e.g. Film Night)**, clearly written on the front.

John Smith
Y2NB
Film Night

School Trips

Year One will be visiting Newstead Abbey on Wednesday 28th November, as part of their topic on Victorian Christmas.



As it is panto season, **Year Two** will be visiting the Derby Arena on Thursday 20th December to see Jack and the Beanstalk.



Head lice

There are a number of children who have head lice in school. These children are passing them on to other children who have already been treated and who were clear. This is, understandably, very annoying and frustrating for the many parents who do treat their children on a regular basis. **Please check your child's hair and treat if necessary.** This includes washing the towels and pillowcases to prevent re-infection. We recommend you check on a weekly basis.



Timekeeping



Please ensure that your child arrives in school on time in the morning for registration. The gates in Stafford Street close promptly at 8.50am. Morning Nursery gates close at 8.35am and Afternoon Nursery gates close at 12.20pm.

Attendance



Attendance from 5th September 2018 to date: 94.69%. The School target is: 96%

The overall attendance for each class for October:

RKM	92.5
RMT	88.3
Y1CR	97.6
Y1NP	93.7
Y2AB	95.9
Y2AS	97.9

Diary Dates

Thursday 1st November

Reception and Year 3 applications open with Staffordshire County Council

Friday 16th November

Children in Need—Pennies for Pudsey

Wednesday 28th November

Year One visit to Newstead Abbey

Friday 30th November

INSET DAY

Wednesday 12th December

Flu immunisation take place in school

Friday 14th December

Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 19th December

School Christmas dinner

Thursday 20th December

Year Two visit to Derby Arena—Jack and the Beanstalk

Friday 21st December

Magical Mayhem
Break up for Christmas Holiday

Monday 7th January

INSET DAY

Tuesday 8th January

School re-opens for new term.

