

## Nursery Applications

Any children born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017 may apply for a place in Nursery from September 2020. Application forms are available from the school office.



The closing date for Nursery applications is Monday 2nd March 2020.

## Parents' consultations

Just a reminder that we are holding parents' consultations on -

Reception - Monday 3rd February

Nursery - Monday 3rd February

(please make an appointment with your child's class teacher)

Year One & Two - Tuesday 4th February

Once again, we will be using the email/text service for you to book a slot for Reception, Year One and Year Two. Please call into the office if you have difficulty using this service. Appointment slots will book up fast, so please book your appointment as soon as possible.

## Snow Closures



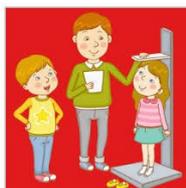
Hopefully there will not be any snowfall, but if there is and the school needs to close we will text you and update the County Council's website—

[www.staffordshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures](http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures)

Please make sure you keep us up to date with any changes to your mobile phone number and that you check your phone regularly if the weather reports suggest snowfall. The Burton Mail also has links to school closures.

## National Child Measurement Programme

Every year in England, Reception and Year 6 children will have their height and weight checked at school as part of the National Child Measurement Programme. Health workers will be in school to carry this out for our Reception classes on Tuesday 4th February. If you **do not** wish your child to take part, please return the yellow form sent home to parents of Reception children before Christmas.



## Reception Visit To Tamworth Castle

On Tuesday 25th February, Reception children will be visiting Ruby the Dragon at Tamworth Castle as part of their project on Dungeons and Dragons. The cost of the trip is £10—please send in payment and the permission slip beforehand. Children should wear school uniform with warm, waterproof coat, gloves, hat and scarf, with comfortable shoes.



## Year One Visit to Kedleston Hall

On Thursday 27th February we will be taking Year One children to Kedleston Hall as part of their Geography project where they will be going on a tree identification walk. The cost of the trip will be £10 which should be sent into school along with the permission slip beforehand.

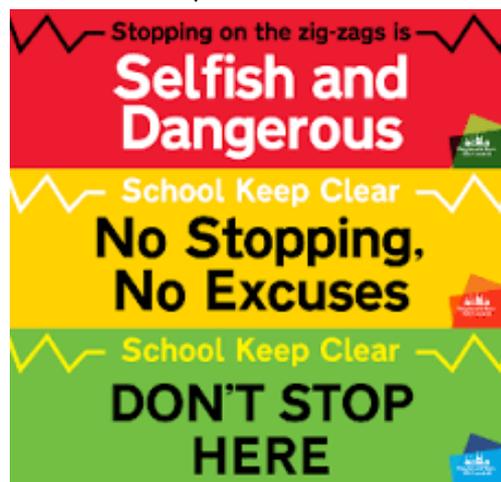


Children should wear warm suitable clothing as they will be outside for the duration of the trip. They should also wear a warm waterproof coat, hat, scarf, gloves and comfortable shoes/trainers.

## Parking & dropping off

We would again like to remind parents not to park on the zig-zag lines directly outside the school gates when dropping off or collecting children from school. It is an offence to do so and causes a hazard for other road users and pedestrians. They are there to keep our children safe!

Parents who choose to park illegally will have their details forwarded to the police.



## Film Night

On Friday 7th February, Lansdowne Academy Supporters Association will be hosting a Film Night for Reception, Year One and Year Two pupils.



They will be showing Penguins from Madagascar for Reception children and Year One and Two will be shown The Lego Movie 2.

Cost is £3.00 per child and includes a drink and snack. Please book in advance.

Children should be collected promptly at 4.30pm—Year One & Two from the school hall doors and Reception from their usual entrance via the gate on Goodman Street.

## Books for Schools Tokens

Lansdowne Academy are collecting 'Books for Schools' tokens, available in The Sun newspaper. Please remember to cut them out and send them in. If we are successful in collecting enough tokens we can claim school books from the Collins Big Cat reading programme.



## Head lice

Sadly, there are still a number of children who have head lice in school and they are passing them on to other children who have already been treated. 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.



## Attendance



Attendance from 3rd September 2019 to date: **94.00%**. The School target is: 96%

The overall attendance for each class for January:

RER	94.35%
RGC	92.23%
Y1MB	96.00%
Y1NP	93.33%
Y2AB	97.58%
Y2AS	94.33%

## Home Time

We would like to remind parents that school for Reception, Year One and Year Two finishes at **3.05pm**. We have a small number of parents who are regularly late to collect their children at the end of the school day or from after school clubs. While we understand that very occasionally this may be unavoidable, we do ask that you please contact school to advise us of your expected time of arrival as soon as possible.

## E-safety

Use safe search engines such as [Swiggle](#) or [Kids-search](#). Save time by adding them to your 'Favourites'. Safe search settings can also be activated on [Google](#) and other search engines, as well as [YouTube](#)



## Diary Dates

**Monday 3rd February**  
Nursery and Reception Parent Consultations

**Tuesday 4th February**  
KS1 Parent Consultations  
National Child Measurement Programme for Reception children

**Friday 7th February**  
Film Night

**Monday 17th to Friday 21st February inclusive**  
Half-term holiday



**Monday 24th February**  
School re-opens

**Tuesday 25th February**  
Reception visit to Tamworth Castle

**Thursday 27th February**  
Year One visit to Kedleston Hall

**Monday 2nd March**  
Nursery applications close

**Thursday 5th March**  
World Book Day



**Friday 20th March**  
Mother's Day events

**Friday 3rd April**  
Reports go home

**Monday 6th April to Friday 17th April**  
Easter Holiday

**Thursday 16th April**  
National Offer Day for Reception and Junior places

**Monday 20th April**  
School re-opens

**Friday 8th May**  
Bank Holiday

**Friday 22nd May**  
INSET Day

**Monday 25th to Friday 29th May**  
Half-term holiday

**Monday 1st June**  
School re-opens

**Thursday 25th June**  
Olympic Dance Workshop

**Friday 17th July**  
Last day of term

**Monday 20th July**  
INSET Day

