



# Luddendenfoot Academy Newsletter

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NEWSLETTER – w/c 06.02.17

## Class Attendance w/c 30.01.17

1<sup>st</sup> – Y1 = 98.8%  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Y2 = 96.3%  
3<sup>rd</sup> – FR = 95.7%  
4<sup>th</sup> – Y2/3 = 95.2%  
5<sup>th</sup> – Y4/5 = 92.9%  
6<sup>th</sup> – Y5/6 = 90.3%

**Well Done – Y1!**

## Reporting sickness absence

Polite reminder – children’s sickness absence should be reported to the school as early as possible on each day of absence. The answer phone facility is available should you need to call before 8.15am. Thank you.

## Milk Money – for Reception & Year 1 children

Milk money (50p) per week for the full spring term up to the Easter is £6.40. Please check your child’s Parent Pay account for the payment item. If your child does no longer want to have milk, please let your child’s class teacher know as soon as possible. Thank you.

## ASC – Spring term 2

Booking forms for next half term’s ASC will be sent home later this week. Please can they be returned as soon as possible and by Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb at the latest. So that confirmation of places can be sent before we break for half term. Thank you.

## Diary Dates

10<sup>th</sup> Feb: KS1 Praise Assembly @ 2.50pm  
14<sup>th</sup> Feb: Y2 Class visit Hardcastle Craggs  
14<sup>th</sup> Feb: Valentines Disco – Rec/Y1/2/3  
15<sup>th</sup> Feb: Reception Class – Manchester museum  
16<sup>th</sup> Feb: Valentines Disco – Years 4/5/6  
17<sup>th</sup> Feb: KS2 Praise Assembly @ 2.50pm

**17<sup>th</sup> Feb: School closes for half term.**

**27<sup>th</sup> Feb: School reopens**

2<sup>nd</sup> Mar: Y5/6 visit to Square Chapel – Heavens Eyes  
3<sup>rd</sup> Mar: World Book Day – details to follow  
13<sup>th</sup> Mar: Parent Consultation Evening 3.30-6.00pm  
16<sup>th</sup> Mar: Parent Consultation Evening 5.00-7.00pm  
22-24<sup>th</sup> Mar: Y6 London Residential

## Y5 – Mount Cook Residential

The final balance for the trip will be required by **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2017**. To help spread the cost of the trip, this is a reminder that you can make payments as often and as regularly as you like, via your Parent Pay account. Thank you for payments already received.

## Dance Club

On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February, Dance Club took part in ‘The Great Big Dance Off’ competition at the Victoria Theatre. The competition was the northern regional heat and had 16 schools from as far as Durham competing. The children performed extremely well, and thoroughly enjoyed themselves, but were unfortunate not to make the final 5. This was a huge achievement for the children, and they should be really proud of themselves for getting so far in the competition.






**Congratulations and Well Done!**



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KS2 Winners	
	Our 'Top achievers' for their achievement and progress, are... Sarah Crawshaw Thomas Paynter
	Our 'Wise Owls' for their attitude to learning, are... Finlay Swindells Rosie Denham
	Our 'Super Stars' for being good role models, are... Letisha Naylor Harvey Brook
	Our 'Amazing presentation', award goes to ..... Matthew Kay Daniel Bagnell
	Our 'top reader' award goes to .... Brooke Chatburn Lucy Payne

## PTFA NEWS

We thought we would share with you what the PTFA gave back to the school for our children last term.

- We bought T-Shirts for the school choir to wear when doing performances.
- Christmas gifts for all the children from Santa.
- New Accelerated reading books.
- Tools for gardening to be used in the Wildlife Garden.
- New lights for the school discos.

The Wildlife Garden is still on going with some finishing touches still to be completed. Both the school and the PTFA raised a huge amount of money through Funds and Grant Schemes which enabled the idea to become reality. For those who have seen it we are sure you will agree it's an amazing outdoor space for our children to use.

We still have an access path to create and also a lot of planting to do. We need to look out for new community grants to apply for. We are asking for you all to keep a look out for some please. Many companies have community schemes available, does your workplace?

We could still really do with more people volunteering to help out at our events. The Valentines discos are at the end of half term after school. Could you spare a couple of hours to help set up and supervise? Please contact us if you can help out. We all have busy lives but more hands really do make light work. **Please ensure that all Valentines Disco slips are returned by the end of Friday 11<sup>th</sup>** so we have chance to go shopping for supplies over the weekend. Thank you.





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## Information for parent/carers:

We have received an email in school from the Calderdale Safeguarding Advisor alerting us to the following apps.

Please be aware of two online safety concerns that have recently been brought to my attention:

Firstly ‘Live.ly’ is an app being used by many children as it provides the opportunity to group chat. Whilst the app is only meant to be able to access contacts already on a child’s phone, the opportunity for friends of friends to join groups has resulted in people unknown to the child being able to access a group. In Leeds this resulted in a serious safeguarding issue. This highlights the risk that an app such as this poses in terms of the potential for incidences such as this but also the risk of grooming and exploitation.

The second concerning one is ‘Yellow’ which is essentially an online dating app for children which works similar to ‘Tinder’ the idea being that you can swipe through people and then choose someone to then meet up with. Clearly this again poses numerous risk factors for children.

These sites have also been flagged up to the NSPCC so that hopefully these apps can be included on their Net Aware site.

The very first...  
**GIG  
4  
kids**

A fun & interactive live gig for ages 0-10

Games! funky dress! Dancin! Jumpin up+down!

A 6-piece band of pro musicians playing  
a mix of chart, rock & kids' stuff!

Hebden Bridge Town Hall  
Saturday 25th February  
11:30am - 2:30pm

Admission £6/kid - Adults free

Parental supervision required at all times. Proceeds to refugee fund

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