



Sledmere Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of what has been a busy Spring Term, it is always a good opportunity to reflect on all that has occurred. Our children at Sledmere have had some amazing events this term that have really showcased their talents. From sporting events to Science Week, Design and Technology Days and learning about mental health well-being, through our online safety weeks and Children's Mental Health Week...the list goes on. As a school, during the recent inspection, we were praised for how we support children's personal development. Parents and carers can be rightly proud of how your children engage with all that school has to offer.

Transfer News

I am pleased to finally inform our school community that the formal process for Sledmere Primary to transfer from Learning Link Multi Academy Trust (LLMAT) to PHMAT, will begin after the Easter break. This is such welcome news for all of us here. It has been a protracted process that since January 2020 has seen Sledmere in paralysis. Our Interim Executive Officer and Chair of Trustees have worked tirelessly to allow us to begin to invest properly but there is still so much to do. I know that the CEO, Amarjit Cheema, and Executive Team of PHMAT are well-placed to ensure the best possible support is provided for our children. The children only get one chance and it is now long-overdue that real lasting change happens for the children at Sledmere. The intention is that the transfer will be complete by the beginning of June, so after the Summer half-term break. September 2022 holds such promise as Sledmere moves forward positively.

Easter Bonnet Parade

As I write this, we have just undertaken the Easter Bonnet Parade for Nursery morning children and full-time children. It was wonderful to see our youngest learners in school coming into the main school hall for the first time. They were an absolute credit to their families and the Easter Bonnets were amazing.

Tennis Champions!

Jai Sohal, Essa Basharat, Amelia Derrer-Rendall and Annika Price represented Sledmere Primary School at the Dudley Schools North Mini-Tennis Red Competition this week. I am pleased to report that they were simply incredible and won the competition. This means they now go forward to the Black Country Games to represent the whole of Dudley. What a tremendous achievement – go Team Sledmere!

Finally, thank you to all the parents and carers that took the time to meet with your children's teachers this week. I am sure those meetings were informative and productive.

Please do not ever hesitate to get in touch with us at school if you ever have any concerns, queries or questions. I regularly talk with our staff about how important pride in our community is. We all strive to uphold our mission statement, **Be The Best You Can Be**. We are a listening school and we are always looking to improve what we do for the benefit of our children and families. Wishing you all a lovely Easter Break.

The Summer Term starts on Monday 25 April.

Mr Fance, Headteacher dfance@sledmere.dudley.sch.uk – please note this email address and use this instead of the Learning Link.org address.



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Learners of the Week!

Nursery

London: Olivia Corns and Jenson Harris

Reception

Cardiff: Haider Ali Majid and Evaleen Singh

Belfast: Zeena Mohammed and Jensen Mould

Edinburgh: Antonio Kumar and Rumaisah Waseem

Year 1

Paris: Kevin Tudor and Anabia Khurshid

Rome: Nimra Najeeb and Muhammad Ahmad

Madrid: Zayan Attique and Poppy Wakeman

Year 2

Barcelona: Henry Cooper and Daniya Ali

Berlin: Cody Ford and Hadiyah Khan

Budapest: Amuldeep Chouhan and Rukaiyah Idrees

Year 3

Beijing: Suhaan Hussain and Anita Ugwu

Tokyo: Rayhaan Adnan and Noor Fatima

Singapore: Darcie Wilkinson and Kyle Green

Year 4

Doha: Zuhaib Imran and Annika Price

Abu Dhabi: Eshal Haider and Waiz Shah

Dubai: Essa Basharat and Luchia Anslow

Year 5

Toronto: Afiyah Sajjid and Jenson-Louie Dale

Chicago: Diego-Cristian Socol and Peyton Robinson

Boston: Ayaan Khan, Sian Jones and Isabel Bruce

Year 6

Brasilia: Raheem Robinson and Fatima Batool

Lima: Sara Imran and Mason Billingham

Santiago: Akbar Shazad and Serena Naveen

These are the pupils selected this week in recognition of our school values...

Respect, Responsibility, Kindness, Perseverance, Confidence, Resilience



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Messages from the School Office

- Polite reminder - Breakfast Club doors will close at **8:15am**. Please come before this time.
- Early reminder - Beijing and Abu Dhabi will begin swimming lessons on **Thursday 28th April**.
- We have arranged a mop up photo session for **Wednesday 27th April**. Parents have been sent a text, if their child missed the last photo session. Class photos and a Year group photo for Year 6, will be taken by Tempest Photographers on the **22nd June**.
- **Friday 29th April is Earth Day** at our school, children can dress in blue and green.
- The **week 2 menu** will be served week commencing 25th April.

Many happy returns to all these children, who will celebrate their birthday over the next two weeks.
We wish you all the best for future health, success and happiness!

Happy Birthday to ...

Jenson-Louie Dale Hashim Khan Nathan Nji Sienna F Muizza Shaikh
 Aleena Nadeem Niall Greenfield Aminah Najeeb Craig Martin
 Anayah-Aroosh Atif Karlay Nash Amuldeep Chouhan Anaya Sohail
 Ollie Price Umer Kiyani T'Kal Brown Archie Goddard Jacob James
 William Leatham Mia M Colby-Joe H Jasmin Cresswell
 Ibrahim Shabir Oliver Lunn Maddison Cooper Akbar Shazad
 Suhaan Hussain Amaris Maili Haniya Sadaqat Ameena Maresh

Online Safety

As we enter the Easter break, please do speak to your children about keeping safe online and when using social media.

S

Stay Safe

Don't give out your personal information to people / places you don't know.



M

Don't Meet Up

Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Always check with an adult you trust.



A

Accepting Files

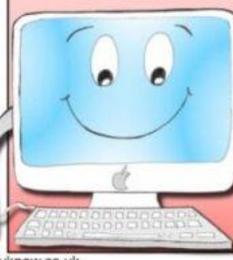
Accepting emails, files, pictures or texts from people you don't know can cause problems.



R

Reliable?

Check information before you believe it. Is the person or website telling the truth?



T

Tell Someone

Tell an adult if someone or something makes you feel worried or uncomfortable.

Follow these SMART tips to keep yourself safe online!



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A is for Attendance!

With the end of term approaching, now is a great time to discuss all matters attendance.

As you are all aware, school attendance and punctuality is one of Sledmere's priorities and I have been thrilled with the support that parents have been giving with regards to improving their children's attendance. Our academy target is 97% and this is broadly in line with national and local targets of 96%.

We are currently well below this target and we need your continued support to ensure that we meet this mark.

THANK YOU SO MUCH to all the families who have been working hard to ensure children's attendance and punctuality is high.

Establishing early good habits early on really will make a positive difference to their lives. The link between attendance and achievement cannot be over stated. Your child will achieve better if they are in school every day.

Only in very exceptional circumstances should a child be absent from school.

Why does good attendance and punctuation matter?

Every child has a right to education and to have the best possible life chances. By attending school daily and on time, they learn the importance of being punctual, a life skill which will serve them well as they grow into the next generation of working citizens.

In addition, being late means they miss minutes which build into missed learning time and missed opportunities. Being punctual means all children learn well, free from interruption from late comers.

As always if you have any problems or concerns please contact the school office in the first instance. However, you can also speak to Mrs Priest, Attendance Officer for the school.

Class	Attendance this week %	Attendance last week %
London am	93.75	83.75
London pm	58.57	70.00
Belfast	74.58	84.58
Cardiff	89.57	89.57
Edinburgh	74.58	93.45
Madrid	89.76	89.60
Paris	93.79	96.21
Rome	93.67	93.96
Barcelona	95.00	99.29
Berlin	96.79	96.43
Budapest	91.32	94.79
Beijing	89.67	95.33
Singapore	93.66	97.14
Tokyo	94.83	97.93
Abu Dhabi	97.00	95.67
Dubai	94.33	94.00
Doha	96.90	93.10
Boston	93.93	95.68
Chicago	97.74	93.55
Toronto	99.23	92.31
Brasilia	97.67	93.85
Lima	90.74	91.85
Santiago	92.31	96.92
Whole school	92.67	93.83