



# Sledmere Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all of you, parents, carers, grandparents, aunts and uncles, that were able to come to our Sports Day on Wednesday. Despite a slightly damp start, the sun shone by the time we got to the afternoon for the afternoon Nursery children, Year 2 and Year 6 - a lovely way for Year 6 in particular to have their last Sports Day at Primary School. A big thank you to Mr Pritchard and Mr Ludlam for their great organisation of the day. It was lovely to see that all our spectators were able to encourage and cheer on the competitors during each of the events. Thank you for your part in making it a great day.

As we have a number of after-school clubs using the school grounds, many of you will be aware that the school gates are being locked at 3.40pm. As this is still affecting the clubs beginning, we will be looking to lock the gates earlier. Please can all parents and carers collect their children promptly from classes and exits at 3.20pm and then make your way out of the school gates. Thank you for your assistance with this.

## Classes for September

Some parents and carers have asked me about classes and teachers for September. This information will be coming out to you soon.

## Dates for your diary

End of Year Reports will be coming out via email this year. Please let us know if you need to update your email address through the Parent App. These will come out to you on **Thursday 14 July**. There will be an opportunity for you to meet with your child's class teacher **Monday 18 July and Tuesday 19 July**. This is an optional parent consultation if you wish to discuss your child's report.

## A Reminder...PE and other Uniform Expectations

A big thank you to those parents and carers that have ensured their children are wearing the correct PE Uniform. A reminder please that our PE uniform is as follows: ***\*Navy blue t-shirt with school badge where possible, \*Black shorts/skirt or black leotards, \*Black pumps or plain trainers \*In cold weather, children will be allowed to wear plain joggers and sweatshirts (black or blue in colour, no logos)***

Please can parents and carers begin to consider our expectations regarding this. Please remember also that trainers are not part of school uniform. Children should be wearing black shoes. Thank you for your help with this.

A text message was sent out to parents and carers about smoking and the use of e-cigarettes on site this week. We urge all members of our school community to not to smoke or vape on our school site, whether you are sat in a vehicle or not. We are creating citizens of the future and we need them all to be healthy. Please be good role models around yours and other families' children.

Please do not ever hesitate to get in touch with us at school if you ever have any concerns, queries or questions. 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. I hope you all have a lovely weekend. **Mr Fance, Headteacher** [dfance@sledmere.dudley.sch.uk](mailto: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!

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

**Respect, Responsibility, Kindness, Perseverance, Confidence, Resilience**

### *Nursery*

**London: Salina Jaan and Faris Khan**

### *Reception*

**Cardiff: Radman Azizi and Alissia Chapman**

**Belfast: Sulaiman Hussain and Amena Maresh**

**Edinburgh: Alyssia Round and Zavier Hussain**

### *Year 1*

**Paris: Isa Mehmood and Grace Beckett**

**Rome: Kiran Sandhu and Kai Hopkins**

**Madrid: Mohammad Ayaan Sajjad and Grace Leatham**

### *Year 2*

**Barcelona: Ibrahim Omar and Lola O'Driscoll**

**Berlin: Oscar Stewart and Mahnoor Qayyum**

**Budapest: Ayat Altaf and Lucien Kelsey-Clarke**

### *Year 3*

**Beijing: Nooran Mahar and Dua Fatima Omar**

**Tokyo: Joey Griffiths and Darcy Palmer-Hill**

**Singapore: Faris Sher and Hira Noor**

### *Year 4*

**Doha: Hope O'Connor and Max Bowater**

**Abu Dhabi: Isobel Howells and Mujtaba Hashmi**

**Dubai: Rylan Field and Luchia Anslow**

### *Year 5*

**Toronto: Prabhav Sharma and Aaliyah Forrest**

**Chicago: Erico De-Freitas and Isabelle Hughes**

**Boston: Eviee-Rose Hendley and Umair Khan**

### *Year 6*

**Lima: Ivan Adu-Boakye and Maroush Imran**

**Brasilia: Charlie Owen and Bawo Ofuya**

**Santiago: Irfan Rafi and La Raib Shahid**



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Many happy returns to all these children, who have celebrated their birthday over this week. We wish you all the best for future health, success and happiness!

## ***Happy Birthday to ...***

Oritseseyi Ofuya   Sami Altaf   Joseph Fletcher   Jayden Carey  
Zain Bhayat   Owain Whitcombe   Aascia Mahmoud   Charlie Raybould  
Mahnoor Rani   Adam Qayyum   Alysha Khan

## **Messages from the office...**

- The school will be going cashless at the beginning of the new Academic Year. Look out for a link and further information to set up your account with ParentPay.
- If you need to collect your child early for medical appointments can you please let the Office know and also provide proof of appointment time.
- A reminder that the school will be closed to children on 5<sup>th</sup> September, 7<sup>th</sup> October and 2<sup>nd</sup> December for teacher training days.
- Please be reminded that the school site is a mobile free zone, this includes taking phone calls and photographs.
- Please note that parents will not have access to the carpark at pick-up time until 3.10pm.

## **'Caught Writing'**

After celebrating National Writing Day within school, we are also running a 'Caught Writing' challenge (similar to our 'Extreme Reading' one). We would love to see photographs of the children being 'caught' writing; whether this is helping to write a shopping list, writing a postcard from holiday, writing a birthday card to a relative- the more exciting the better! Photographs can either be printed off and handed in, or can be emailed to your child's teacher by **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July**.

**National  
Writing Day**

23 June 2022

Get ready to celebrate the  
pleasure and power of  
creative writing this summer...



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## A is for Attendance!

**Attendance Regulation changes during the height of the pandemic meant that there were specific codes related to Covid Absence. While these must appear on your children's record due to the legal requirements at that time, please be assured they are classified as Authorised Absence as opposed to Unauthorised Absence. It therefore does not reflect negatively on a child's individual attendance record.**

As you are all aware, school attendance and punctuality is one of Sledmere's priorities and we 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	85.00
London pm	88.57	85.71
Belfast	88.33	96.67
Cardiff	87.08	85.83
Edinburgh	83.33	91.25
Madrid	91.72	86.90
Paris	91.43	93.21
Rome	94.00	91.16
Barcelona	96.30	94.24
Berlin	89.63	94.81
Budapest	96.90	97.93
Beijing	90.34	90.00
Singapore	91.33	94.33
Tokyo	85.71	91.43
Abu Dhabi	93.10	97.59
Dubai	94.83	85.52
Doha	89.35	92.90
Boston	93.93	95.00
Chicago	93.33	93.70
Toronto	96.00	95.33
Brasilia	86.30	93.33
Lima	89.63	94.44
Santiago	96.92	94.23
Whole school	91.69	92.71