



Sledmere Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

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 from 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.

Leavers At the end of this year, we will be saying goodbye to three class teachers. Mr Jones (Year 6), Mr Pritchard (Year 6) and Mrs Kaur (Year 2). Mr Jones is moving on to another school within Dudley. He has been at Sledmere for a few years now and has always been a popular teacher and supportive colleague. We wish him well as he moves forward in his career. Mr Pritchard has only been with us for a year but formed part of our strong Year 6 team. Both will be missed. Mrs Kaur stepped in to cover Miss Smith's maternity leave for us in October 2021. We thank her for all her work with the children and wish her all the best.

Classes for September These are the classes for September 2022. We welcome four new teachers to the team, although at least two of them we already know. Mr Davis (currently Year 4) and Mr Akhtar (currently a cover teacher) will join Sledmere as permanent members of staff.

Year 6	6D Mr Davis	6A Miss Aket	6OD Mrs Oliver/Mrs Dowler
Year 5	5N Ms Nicholls	5A Miss Altaf	5W Miss Ward
Year 4	4GA Mrs Gardiner	4T Miss Turley	4G Miss Guise
Year 3	3P Miss Perera	3S Miss Smith	3F Mrs Fisher
Year 2	2H Miss Haroon	2NH Mrs Haynes	2A Mr Akhtar
Year 1	1S Miss Smith	1K Mrs Khalil	1A Miss Abdul
Reception	RA Miss Aherne	RW Ms Willetts	RJ Miss Jones
Nursery	Miss Saunders		

Support staff are yet to be allocated due to interviews taking place for permanent members of staff.

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 – **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: Alaana Khan and Leighton Lovett

Reception

Cardiff: Airic Danaei and Khadijah Khan

Belfast: Saanvi Nahar and Mohammad Ubaid

Edinburgh: Rumaisah Waseem and Antonio Kumar

Year 1

Paris: Enyinnaya Ugwu and Aisha Maresh

Rome: Cass Lewis and Brooke Richards

Madrid: Melody-Rose Ward and Sulaiman Farid

Year 2

Barcelona: Laila Saleh and Rayan Nawaz

Berlin: Archie Flavell and Poppy Hinsley

Budapest: Charlie Cooper and Sienna F

Year 3

Beijing: Musa Farid and Aminah Imran

Tokyo: Sakinah Batool and Zack Reilly

Singapore: Jorja Billingham and Nathan Nji

Year 4

Doha: Sidorela Khafo and Zuhaib Imran

Abu Dhabi: Rayn Siddique and Hope Palmer-Hill

Dubai: Mutasim Saleh and Inayah Khurshid

Year 5

Toronto: Millie Greenfield and Jokubas Sidlauskas

Chicago: Diego-Cristian Socol and Grace Corns

Boston: Abdullah Maresh and Maryam Maresh

Year 6

Lima: Francedesca Hinsley and Alihaider Habib

Brasilia: Zain Ansar and Ayah Salam

Santiago: Iman Hussain and Khadeeja Waleed



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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 ...

Adam Khan	Erico De Freitas	Desean Smith Rogers	Evaleen Singh
James Coppage-Rice	Tyler Priest	Daniel Gibbs	Isabel Bruce
Zulekha Shahzadi	Logan-Rhys Crampton-Langley		Abbas Khuram

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 5th September, 7th October and 2nd December for teacher training days.
- Class photographs are now ready to view and purchase, please look out for an email. There will be a free "deliver to school" option open until 12th July, otherwise home delivery is available for £5 postage and packing
- If you need assistance please call tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3) or click on contact us on the home page.

Year 6 'Dragons' Den' Fayre

Next week, our Year 6 pupils will be testing their entrepreneurial skills during their Dragons' Den Fayre. They have worked in groups to plan and organise a fundraising activity, in order to raise money for their recent visit to Challenge Academy and their Leavers' Disco. We will also donate to a charity of their choice.

At the fayre, there will be a number of games and stalls, including: Guess the Name of the Teddy, Soak the Student, Football challenge, raffle, obstacle course and more! All games will be 20p per go.

There will also be a table top sale (items at various prices), cake & biscuit sale, ice creams & lollies (50p), bracelet and keyring making (50p).

Each year group will have chance to visit the Fayre on the following days. Please send some money in with your child (preferably in change) on the appropriate day if you wish them to take part.

Tuesday: Year 3 & Year 1

Wednesday: Year 4 & Reception

Thursday: Year 2 & Year 5

We look forward to seeing the pupils enjoying the activities and we wish Year 6 all the best with their fundraising endeavours!

Take Over Day!

Friday 15th July is **Year 6 Take Over Day**. For this day only, our Year 6 pupils will be taking on roles in school, working alongside the staff to learn more about their jobs. So look out for our Year 6 children working in the office, teaching lessons, helping in the kitchen and supporting pupils across the school. There will even be a Year 6 pupil or two working with Mr Fance all day!



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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.

Please ensure you contact school daily to report your child's absence.

Why does good attendance and punctuality 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	86.25	85.00
London pm	82.86	85.71
Belfast	92.08	96.67
Cardiff	85.83	85.83
Edinburgh	88.75	91.25
Madrid	92.76	86.90
Paris	95.00	93.21
Rome	92.67	91.16
Barcelona	97.78	94.24
Berlin	91.48	94.81
Budapest	93.10	97.93
Beijing	91.72	90.00
Singapore	87.67	94.33
Tokyo	91.07	91.43
Abu Dhabi	95.86	97.59
Dubai	91.03	85.52
Doha	89.68	92.90
Boston	90.36	95.00
Chicago	94.07	93.70
Toronto	95.00	95.33
Brasilia	63.33	93.33
Lima	63.33	94.44
Santiago	70.00	94.23
Whole school	88.38	92.71