



# LSJ Newsletter

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Our value for this month:

### Respect

*A good name is more desirable than great wealth. Respect is better than silver or gold. Proverbs 22:1*

Well done to Y6 for winning the attendance trophy last week with 98.9%. This is a brilliant attendance percentage and show just how committed Y6 are to their studies!



Could we remind parents that all children need a full PE kit in school each week as they do have a PE lesson every week. It's a good idea to leave the kits in school all week, just in case there are any timetable changes. Our health and fitness is very important to us and we don't want anything to get in the way. Please speak to your child's class teacher if there's a problem. Thank you.

### Home readers, happy readers.

We want our children to be confident readers who enjoy their books. We're so grateful to all parents and carers who read to children at home and hear them read their reading books too. This makes a massive difference. Please remember to sign reading journals to show have read at home at least three times per week. See top marks for reading top tips:

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/parents/ten-tips-on-hearing-your-child-read>

Could we please ask that all monies for after school clubs are sent to the office in a named envelope on Monday for the week. This is really helpful for office staff, thank you.

As the end of the financial year approaches, can we ask that if there is any outstanding dinner money, this is forwarded to the school office as soon as possible to avoid the debt being passed on to the local authority. If you have any questions please contact the school office. Thank you for your

*A reminder: shoes are a required part of our uniform—not trainers.*

We have been advised that you may be eligible for free medicines for certain conditions for use the following link for further information.  
[http://m.boots.com/h5/cat\\_hub?unCountry=uk&path=%2Fen%2FPharmacy-Health%2FHealth-pharmacy-services%2FPharmacy-services-support%2FI-need-more-information%2FMinor-ailments-service-NHS%2F](http://m.boots.com/h5/cat_hub?unCountry=uk&path=%2Fen%2FPharmacy-Health%2FHealth-pharmacy-services%2FPharmacy-services-support%2FI-need-more-information%2FMinor-ailments-service-NHS%2F)

As the weather is cold and often wet, please ensure that all children have a coat and hats, gloves and scarves. Thank you. In the mornings, school doors open at 8:50 to welcome children in. It is parents' responsibility to supervise until then.



Could we remind all parents to check their children's hair on a regular basis for any head lice and treat accordingly. May we also ask that any child with long hair have it tied up for school—this reduces the risk of infestation. Thank you for your help in controlling this unpleasant problem.



### Forthcoming Events:

- Mon 30th Jan Y5 London Trip
- Tue 31st Jan Y5 London Trip
- Fri 3rd Feb Y4 Swimming
- Mon 6th Feb NSPCC Stay Safe Assembly
- Tue 7th Feb Y5 STB Transition
- Tue 7th Feb Internet Safety Day Event 3.30pm—4.45pm
- Wed 8th Feb Parent Session Internet Safety, all welcome 2—3pm
- Wed 8th Feb Magistrates Visit Y5 & 6
- Fri 10th Feb Y4 Swimming
- Fri 10th Feb Talent Show Auditions
- Tue 14th Feb Eucharist Service In church
- Tue 14th Feb Y5 STB Transition Event 3.30—4.45pm
- Fri 17th Feb Talent Show @ 2pm
- Fri 17th Feb Y4 Swimming
- Fri 17th Feb School Closes @ 3.15pm

After School Clubs next week are as follows:

- Mon 30th Jan Multi-Sports Rec—Y2
- Mon 30th Jan Knitting Club
- Tue 31st Jan Cookery/Baking Club KS1
- Tue 31st Jan Little Musketeers
- Tue 31st Jan JAM Club
- Wed 1st Feb Football Club KS2
- Thur 2nd Feb Choir KS2
- Fri 3rd Feb Rugby Club Y4 –Y6

If your child is visiting Spain, have you applied for an EHIC card? This needs to be done within the next few weeks using the following website - this is a free service. Please be aware that some other websites will charge for the service.  
<http://www.nhs.uk/NHSEngland/Healthcare abroad/EHIC/Pages/about-the-ehic.aspx>. Check on line and at the post office for



### A Special Visitor

Yesterday, Mr Drury, a consultant from Warrington LA visited school and had a tour. He commented on our polite, smart children and our warm, friendly school. It's always great to hear complimentary things about our school.

# 10 Tips on Hearing Your Child Read

**As a parent, you are your child's most influential teacher with a crucial part to play in helping your child to learn to read. Here are some suggestions on how you can help to make this a positive and rewarding experience.**

## 1. Choose a quiet time

Set aside a quiet time with no distractions. Ten to fifteen minutes is usually long enough.

## 2. Make reading enjoyable

Make reading an enjoyable experience. Sit with your child. Try not to pressurise if he or she is reluctant. If your child loses interest then do something else.

## 3. Maintain the flow

If your child mispronounces a word do not interrupt immediately. Instead allow opportunity for self-correction. It is better to tell a child some unknown words to maintain the flow rather than insisting on trying to build them all up from the sounds of the letters. If your child does try to 'sound out' words, encourage the use of letter sounds rather than 'alphabet names'.

## 4. Be positive

If your child says something nearly right to start with that is fine. Don't say 'No. That's wrong,' but 'Let's read it together' and point to the words as you say them. Boost your child's confidence with constant praise for even the smallest achievement.

## 5. Success is the key

Parents anxious for a child to progress can mistakenly give a child a book that is too difficult. This can have the opposite effect to the one they are wanting. Remember 'Nothing succeeds like success'. Until your child has built up his or her confidence, it is better to keep to easier books. Struggling with a book with many unknown words is pointless. Flow is lost, text cannot be understood and children can easily become reluctant readers.

## 6. Visit the Library

Encourage your child to use the public library regularly. We are very lucky to have a wonderful library within walking distance. The staff are lovely, the environment is great and children will love it.

## 7. Regular practice

Try to read with your child on most school days. 'Little and often' is best. Don't forget to sign reading journals so teachers can recognise children's reading at home.

## 8. Communicate

Your child has a reading journal from school. Try to communicate regularly with positive comments and any concerns. Your child will then know that you are interested in their progress and that you value reading.

## 9. Talk about the books

There is more to being a good reader than just being able to read the words accurately. Just as important is being able to understand what has been read. Always talk to your child about the book; about the pictures, the characters, how they think the story will end, their favourite part. You will then be able to see how well they have understood and you will help them to develop great comprehension skills.

## 10. Variety is important

Remember children need to experience a variety of reading materials eg. picture books, hard backs, comics, magazines, poems, and information books. Show a love for books and your child will too.