



# Ladbroke Primary School

Friday 3rd March



## HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

### OFSTED

As I am sure you are all aware, we were visited by OFSTED last week.

Thank you to all the parents who took the time to complete the survey and write comments, this was greatly appreciated.

We are now awaiting the written report from the inspection and until this report is published, we are unable to give any more details on the inspection. Obviously, as soon as the report is finalised you will be sent an email with a copy of the report and it will be uploaded to the website.

You will be proud to know that the children all behaved beautifully on the day and did us proud!

### Dates For Your Diary

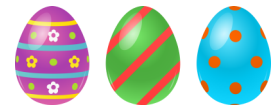
TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH  
3.30 - Parents' Evening

THURSDAY 9<sup>th</sup> MARCH  
5.30 - Parents' Evening

FRIDAY 17<sup>th</sup> MARCH  
7.30pm Quiz Night—Adults Only

THURSDAY 30<sup>th</sup> MARCH  
Easter Egg Hunt

FRIDAY 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH  
2pm—End of Term



Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> APRIL  
INSET DAY—SCHOOL CLOSED

WEDNESDAY 19<sup>th</sup> APRIL  
8.45 - Term Starts

MONDAY 24<sup>th</sup> APRIL  
Bags to School Clothing Collection

WED 26th APRIL  
Y3/4 trip to Chiltern Museum

8th—12th MAY  
Y6 SATs WEEK

TUESDAY 16th MAY  
Y5/6 Zulu Workshop

22nd—25th MAY  
Y6 Cycle Training

THURSDAY 25th MAY  
6.30 - Music Evening

FRIDAY 26th MAY  
KS2 - Oakmere Mini Marathon

### ATTENDANCE DATA

Here are the % for attendance for February  
Remember our target is over 97%!

Class	%	Class	%
F1		Y3	95.8%
F2	91.2%	Y4	99.7%
Y1	89.0%	Y5	94.8%
Y2	94.9%	Y6	95.8%

Overall our attendance for the Autumn Term was

**94.5%**

Attendance is becoming a big issue in our school and it is something we need to address immediately. At parents evening you will be given an attendance sheet for your child so you can see how they are doing but please read the special section on attendance included with this newsletter.

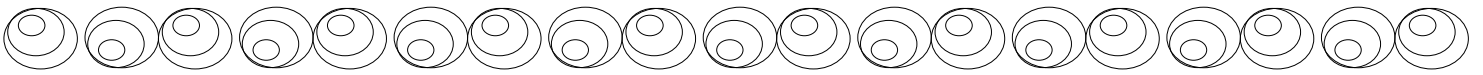
### SCHOOL COMMS

Please could you download this new app to your phone (it's free) as it will help us improve communication with parents – and save the school money.



Please look at the school notice board for more information.



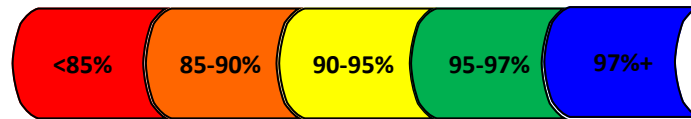


# Attendance Matters

We think that it is important that children are in school, on time, every day. We aim for our whole school attendance to be above 96% but ideally 97% and as many children as possible to have 100% attendance.

The reason for this is because children who attend school every day are more likely to learn more, have more friends and get a good job when they are older. To give your children the best chances and opportunities, they must be in school. We will happily support you if you are having a problem getting your child into school but we can only do this if we are aware of what the problem is!

At your parents evening consultation, you will be given an attendance sheet which will clearly show your child's current attendance figure. Use this grading system below to see where your child sits. We are aiming for all children to be in the green or blue section!



1 or 2 days absence may not seem that much but look at the long term affects!

If your child misses	That equals	Which is ...	And over 13 years of schooling that's
<b>1 day a fortnight (90%)</b>	<b>20 days per year</b>	<b>4 weeks per year</b>	<b>Nearly 1.5 years</b>
<b>1 day a week (80%)</b>	<b>40 days per year</b>	<b>8 weeks per year</b>	<b>Over 2.5 years</b>
<b>2 days a week (60%)</b>	<b>80 days per year</b>	<b>16 weeks per year</b>	<b>Over 5 years</b>

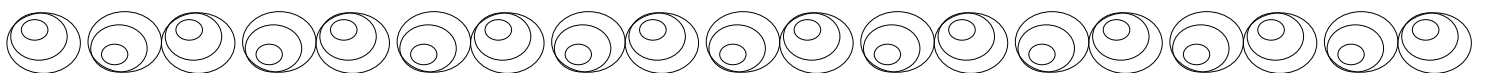
## Should my child be off school?

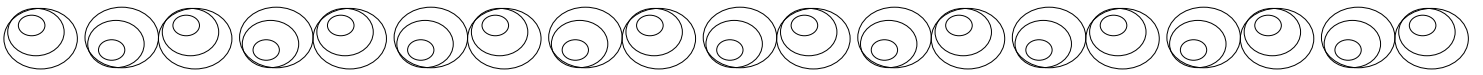
Below are recommendations from the Public Health Agency for common illnesses that often, but do not necessarily, result in absences from school.

Symptom	Period off school
Diarrhoea/vomiting (1 episode)	24 hours
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Conjunctivitis	None
Head Lice	None
Tonsillitis	None
Headache	None

Symptom	Period off school
Glandular Fever	None
Warts and Verrucae	None
Chicken Pox	5 days from onset of rash
Impetigo	Until lesions are crusted
Cough/cold	None
Sore Throat	None

Being tired is not a reason to be off school. Only medical appointments at hospitals should be arranged during the school day. Doctors and dentist appointments should be arranged outside of school times.





# SLOW DOWN!

I have received reports of cars driving too fast down Watkins Rise and into the car park. We are all aware that children should be using good road sense around the car park, but we are also aware that it can take a split second for a child to run out and be seriously hurt if a car is travelling too fast.

Please would all parents ensure they are driving down Watkins Rise at an appropriate speed. I would hate to be reporting the injury of a child or something even worse.

## NEW GATES

As mentioned on the previous newsletter, the school gates are being upgraded over the Easter holiday to provide additional security. The gates will be open at set times during the day only. Any parents collecting their children outside of these hours will need to buzz into the office to open the gates.

### Front Pedestrian Gate

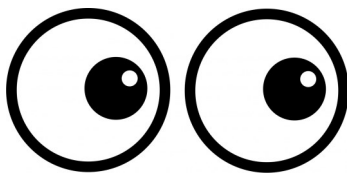
**Open from 8am to 9.15**  
Drop off  
**Open from 11.45 to 12.15**  
Nursery Pick Up  
**Open from 3.10pm**  
End of school pick up

### Car Park Gates

**Closed between 8.30pm and 4.30pm**

### Back Pedestrian Gate

**Open from 8am to 9.15**  
Drop off  
**Open from 3.10pm**  
End of school pick up



## EXCITING NEWS

We are all very excited about the new foundation stage outdoor area which is being installed during the Easter holidays. This will allow us even more opportunities to challenge and inspire your children.

We will put a copy of this design in the school notice board so you can take a better look.

