



# Pentland Infant and Nursery School Newsletter

March 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

Wow, what a brilliant half term we have had! Thank you for all your support and positivity. We really enjoyed seeing you at Parent's Evening and celebrating your child/ children's success through their educational journey so far this year! 🌟💖

It was lovely to see such a great turn out for our 'Share a story' morning as part of our World Book Day festivities. The children's costumes were fantastic and everyone throughout school had a lot of fun joining in with the celebrations. The 'Story Boxes' were excellent and it was plain to see how much effort and joy had gone into creating them! A massive well done to everyone who took part! The winners and runner up prizes were presented in assembly. 🌟

A huge thank you for your generous donations towards two local charities, World Care Foundation and Ummah Welfare Trust, who are raising funds to help support orphans and the needy around the world. You benevolent souls have managed to raise **£371** (Zakat: £320 Other: £51) so far! 🌟😊 The funds will be split equally between the charities and will be dropped off this afternoon. Any donations received after today will be dropped off after the holidays. Thank you once again for making a difference not only to our children's lives but to those around the world too! 💖

All the best, stay safe!

Miss Fauzia Farooq and all the staff at Pentland.

## **Attendance, Extended Leave & Punctuality**

Overall attendance this half-term is **92.90%**, well below our **96%** target. 54 children achieved 100% attendance this half term, a big well done to them and to their parents! 🌟 This is a huge achievement, thank you for your ongoing support.

**However, absence due to illness and extended leave remain an ongoing issue again this half term. There is a strong correlation between good attendance and positive learning outcomes.**

All visits abroad must be planned in the school holidays. The school must be informed if any school days will be missed and a fine could be issued. **Parental support is crucial to ensure children attend school on time (in class at 8:50am), every day and reach their full potential.**

## **\*\*\*Childhood Illnesses\*\*\***

Please remain vigilant over the holidays and beyond as we have had a case of measles in school earlier in the week. For further information about measles, visit [www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles).

There have also been two unrelated cases of scarlet fever reported to school. Again please exercise caution if your child starts to feel unwell. For further information about scarlet fever, visit [Scarlet fever - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

### Family Film Season at Dewsbury Town Hall

Please follow the link below to book tickets for a family cinema experience:

<https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/town-halls/events-and-shows.aspx>

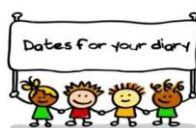
Tickets can be purchased online or at the door on the day. Also there is a promotional code to get buy 1 get 1 free online: MOVIESDTH241

**World Care Foundation charity boxes will be collected in around Eid ul Adha time in June 2024. Thank you. 🌟🌙**

### Reminder

**If you have been granted access to the school car park, please ensure your engine is switched off when dropping off and picking up your child/children. Leaving your engine running is a safeguarding risk to children and parents, it also emits fumes into the environment.**

### Dates for the diary:



**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 8.45am - School Reopens**

**May half term holiday** – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2024 – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024 (Last day of term Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024 and first day back Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024).

### Upcoming Events

- **Eid Parties for all children** – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2024
- **Mother's Day Craft Events in school** - Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> April 2024 (*please note that the morning sessions are only available to Preschool/Nursery parents*).
- **Living Eggs / Chicks** – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024 - We will be having a special delivery of 'Living Eggs' arrive in school. This is always a special time, as we watch the eggs carefully in the incubator, waiting for them to hatch. Then we learn all about how to look after the tiny chicks.
- **National Offer day for Reception Children** - Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024 (Kirklees will contact you directly via email)
- **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May** Early May Bank Holiday
- **Attendance Assembly** – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2024 (at 9am)

### Future School Trips

- **Nursery/Pre-School:** Mini farm experience – 24<sup>th</sup> April 2024 (TBC)
- **Year 1:** Yorkshire Wildlife Park – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2024
- **Year 2:** Yorkshire Wildlife Park – Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2024

### Polite Reminder

**Parking - Please drive and park your vehicle responsibly. Please respect our neighbours and refrain from parking in front of their driveways.**

### Enjoy the Holiday!

We hope all our families have a great break and get some quality time together!

We look forward to seeing you soon... Stay safe and happy! 😊❤️