

DATE October 2021

UP COMING DATES

Monday Ist November Attendance reward - movie night Friday 5th November Year 4 Enterprise Day Friday 19th November Children in Need Tuesday 30th November Advent Assembly Wednesday Ist December Rudolf Run Friday 3rd December Curriculum Talent Awards Thursday 9th December Y6 Crucial Crew Flu Immunisation Wednesday 15th December Church Carol Service Christmas Lunch Friday 17th December Christmas jumper & party day

Christmas Performances

We are currently planning our Christmas performances this year whilst also being mindful about COVID restrictions and large gatherings. It is likely that there will be a number of smaller events rather than the usual one or two large performances. Further details will follow in the new half term. Thank you in advance for your support and understanding.

Holiday Dates

October half term
Monday 25th – Friday 29th
October
Christmas Break
Monday 20th December –
Monday 3rd January
*School re-opens Tuesday 4th
January

School Parliament

Election Day was a great success with all the children voting democratically for who they wanted to represent them in our new School Parliament.

Voting will take place on our return to school for our new Parliament Prime Minster and our new Deputy Prime Minister.

The Mayor of Barnsley will also be visiting the new School Parliament to talk about Individual Liberty and to see our Time To sessions.

Reading Ambassadors

Our new Reading Ambassadors are very excited to start their new role of helping to promote a love of reading across the academy. Together in assembly, they will be relaunching our book donation point. Please bring in any unwanted books for our children to read, swap and share. Any contributions would be greatly appreciated.

Uniform

Please ensure all children all children are in the correct uniform, which includes NO earrings or plastic spacers, black school shoes and grey skirts/trousers. Can all children please bring their full PE kit to school on a Monday and take home on a Friday.

Communication

Twitter is a great way for you to see what goes on in our academy. Please follow our academy Twitter @OPA_LGr for videos, assemblies, key reminders and much more! Class Twitter letters have been sent out for you to sign and follow your child's class page.

Attendance Matters

Good attendance at school is important for academic progress and social interaction with peers. At Littleworth Grange we have an expectation that every child should aim for 97% attendance. Children need to be in their line by 8:50 ready to start the day. By making regular school attendance and punctuality a priority, you can help set your child on the path to success.

Every School Day Counts

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0 days off school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days of school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days of school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days of school each year	85%	Very Concerned
5 days absence over the whole year 97% - 100% Good chance of success and progress	20 days absence over the whole year 90% Less chance of success Harder to make progress.	whole year Under 90% Detrimental to success

Every Minute Counts

LATENESS = LOST LEARNING (Figures below are calculated over a school year)		
5 Minutes late each day	3 days lost!	
10 Minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!	
15 Minutes late each day	10 days lost!	
20 Minutes late each day	13 days lost!	
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"In the line for ten to nine!"

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"There is a clear link between poor attendance at school and lower academic achievement."

Safeguarding

We take safeguarding very seriously. Please find below some links that you might find useful or speak to one of our designated staff in school if you have any concerns.

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-is-child-abuse/types-of-abuse/bullying-and-cyberbullying/

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keepingchildren-safe/childrens-mental-health/ https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keepingchildren-safe/online-safety/

