



Inglewood Community Nursery and Infant School

Spring 2018 Newsletter 1



Welcome back. It seems amazing to think that we are nearly three weeks into the new term! All our classes are up and running and have some amazing topics planned. Reception are currently enjoying Traditional Tales and will be moving onto Journeys. Year 1 are studying Hot and Cold this term and Year 2 will be investigating Rivers, Seas and Oceans and China will be the focus after half term.

- Dates for your diary**
- Tuesday 6th February**
Safer Internet Day
- Friday 9th February**
School closes for half term and re-opens Tuesday 20th February.
- Monday 19th February**
Cluster INSET day. **SCHOOL CLOSED.**
- Tuesday 27th February**
Reception visit to the Fire Station.
- Wednesday 28th February**
Beech Class Assembly 9.10 am. Refreshments will be served in the dining hall from 8.50 am.
- Friday 2nd March**
World Book Day. Parents/carers will be invited into school to look at books and share a story. Further details to follow.
- Wednesday 7th March**
Rowan Class Assembly 9.10 am. Refreshments will be served in the dining hall from 8.50 am.
- Wednesday 14th March**
Willow Class Assembly 9.10 am. Refreshments will be served in the dining hall from 8.50 am.
- Week commencing 19th March**
Sports Relief Week.
- Tuesday 20th March**
Year 1 Spring is Sprung 9.15 am. Further details to follow.
- Wednesday 21st March**
Year 1 Spring is Sprung 2.15 pm. Further details to follow.

Reading mornings
Reading Mornings run from 8.50 to 9.10 and are a good opportunity for you to come into school and share a book with your child. Mums, dads, nana's and grandads – who we know- are all welcome into school at this time. Reading mornings change each term to give everyone the opportunity to come along and this term are:

- Thursday: Year 2
- Tuesday: Year 1
- Wednesday: Reception

Additional Funding for your child
All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to the universal free school meal, however, if you are unemployed or on benefits then you may still be entitled to support with buying school uniform. This additional funding might not only help you but it would definitely help us as well. Schools are given additional funding called Pupil Premium by the Government for each child who is entitled to Free School Meals. This funding allows us to improve the education for all the children here at Inglewood. If you think your family might qualify, please complete the application form at www.cumbria.gov.uk or pick up a form from school. If you would like us to check this out for you, please pop into the school office with your National Insurance number and date of birth and we can help you with the paperwork.

Road Safety
Our children are very happy to come to school and are also very happy to go home again at the end of the day. Sometimes they are running on ahead to get into school or to be home before you. Sometimes they are deep in conversation with you or with one of their friends. Some children cycle and some scoot to school. We want to help you to keep them safe. If you drive to school, please can we ask you to drive at no more than 10mph down Mayfield Avenue and School Road and to avoid parking and turning where you might put someone else's child in danger. Thank you.

Reminders

Please can you ensure your child has their name in their uniform and that they have a PE kit in school at all times. It is also useful for your child to have a pair of wellies in school for wet play. Water bottles are great to have in school but must only contain water not juice or squash. Water is available all day in every classroom.

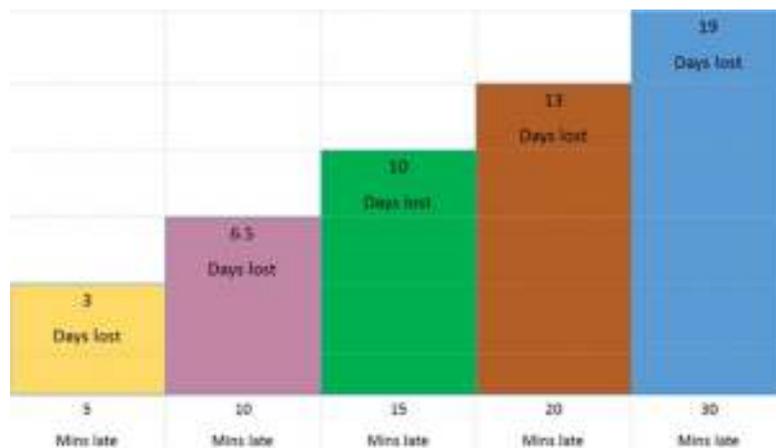
Attendance and Punctuality

Lots of people think that missing the odd day here and there does not do much harm. But it can make a crucial difference. Your child might fall behind and struggle to catch up. Your child might miss out on the social side of school which can affect friendships and groupings. Unless your child is ill-, when the best place to be is at home – please make sure that s/he is in school every day.

Attendance facts:

- ◆ Above 97% means less than 6 days absence a year! This is excellent and supports your child to make the best progress possible
- ◆ 95% attendance means missing 18 sessions or 9 days a year.
- ◆ 90% attendance means missing 38 sessions or 19 days a year. This is almost a month off school and your child may fall behind in English and Mathematics and other subjects. It will be harder for your child to do well in school.
- ◆ 85% means missing 58 sessions or nearly 6 weeks of school a year. It will be very difficult for your child to keep up.
- ◆ 80% means missing a day a week each week. It will be almost impossible to keep up with anything and maintaining friendships will be difficult for your child .

Attending is great but being on time is just as important. Our doors open at 8.50 am. Our registers are taken at 8.55 am and our teaching and learning begin at 9.00 am. If you are often late, the missed minutes soon make the equivalent of a day!



Days lost through being late over an academic year

If you would like to talk to Miss Holland or Miss Boekestein about your child's attendance or punctuality, please let a teacher know and we can arrange a meeting sooner rather than later.

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Tuesday 6th February
3pm
School Hall

Cake Sale



Home baked donations gratefully received
at the main reception
on the morning of Tuesday 6th February.