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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Leamington North Cluster Song Writing

Children from across our local cluster of schools were invited to join a song writing workshop at Milverton School before Easter. The session was led by Craig McLeish, who has been musical director of Young Voices UK for over 24 years and has worked with an array of top artists. The workshop was designed to develop pupils' creative expression, open mindedness and collaborative skills.



Attendance Matters

The Department for Education (DfE) is keen to improve attendance levels across schools nationally. The DfE wants schools and families to work together to ensure children are in school whenever possible (understanding that in certain cases there are genuine medical reasons for a child not to be attending school).

Why is good school attendance important?

Regular and punctual school attendance is essential to supporting a child or young person to flourish, fulfil their potential and enables them to:

- Learn.
- Make and manage friendships.
- Develop new skills.
- Have fun.
- Experience new things in the world around them.
- Develop awareness and respect of other cultures, religion, ethnicity, and gender differences.
- Build confidence and self-esteem.
- Achieve and thrive with a sense of belonging to their school community.
- Prioritise their well-being and happiness.
- Be given the best start in life, enabling the best possible choices in their future.

Missing school ... missing out

When looking at attendance percentages, it is worth considering how much lost school time is involved:

Attendance during one school year	Equivalent days missed	Equivalent weeks missed	Average number of lessons missed
95%	9	2	54
90%	19	4	114
85%	29	6	174
80%	38	8	228
75%	48	10	288
70%	57	11.5	342
65%	67	13.5	402

How you can help your child or young person to have excellent attendance in school

- Always inform the school if your child is absent.
- Talk openly to your child about school and work in partnership with the school to best support them.
- Encourage your child to attend regularly and share any concerns with the school.
- Arrange medical or dental appointments outside of school hours when possible.
- Establish good morning and bedtime routines.



- Support your child to arrive at school on time.
- Take truancy seriously – consider where are they? Who are they with? What are they doing?
- Where possible attend parent consultations and school events.
- Value and acknowledge achievements in school.
- Take family holidays, visit family outside of term time.

Y3 History Day

This week the Y3 children enjoyed a history day, enhancing their understanding and knowledge of Roman history.







Steel Pan Performances – Thursday 25th April at 9.30 am

If your child participates in steel pan lessons at school, we would like to inform you that **all year groups** will be giving a performance for parents/carers on Thursday 25th April at 9.30am. The performance should last approximately one hour.



Year Group Padlet Links

Please follow the links below to the Year Group Padlets, for information about year group activities and home learning:

Year 3: <https://padlet.com/suzishields/2023-2024-year-3-home-supported-learning-puw37sllwi0mf9ng>

Year 4: <https://padlet.com/powells16/2023-24-year-4-home-school-partnership-zf5w3kur2s562fvv>

Year 5: <https://padlet.com/thompsonn11/year-5-home-school-partnership-2023-2024-x6ztz07p2aysfsl2>

Year 6: <https://padlet.com/shiell11/year-6-home-school-partnership-2023-24-lozirbjqw3w8ueug>

Summer Term Calendar

Wednesday 24 April	1.30 Rehearsals for Talent Show at NLS 7.00 Talent Show in North Leamington School Theatre
Thursday 25 th April	9.30 am – Steel Pans Performances for Parents/Carers
Thursday 2 May	Local Elections & Teacher Training Day – school closed
Monday 13 May Tuesday 14 May Wednesday 15 May Thursday 16 May	End of Key Stage 2 Tests for Year 6 pupils
Saturday 18 May	School Fair
Monday 27 May – Friday 31 May	Half-Term Holiday
Wednesday 5 June Thursday 6 June	School Photographs
Monday 24 June Wednesday 26 June	Year 5 ECO sessions at North Leamington School
Wednesday 10 July	Central Area Induction Day: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Year 6 pupils attending their new secondary school.- Year 2 pupils joining the Junior School for the day.
Wednesday 10 July	Information Evening for Parents/Carers of children joining the school in September 2024
Monday 15 July	Years 3 and 4 Sports Day
Tuesday 16 July	Years 5 and 6 Sports Day
Friday 19 July	3.20 End of Term

With best wishes for the weekend,

Richard Siviter

