



New End News



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Wintery Weather

With the wintery weather about this week, thank you to all those parents and carers who sent their child / children into school with appropriate clothing and footwear. The paths around the school can be icy, so please take care in getting to school. Please leave extra time to make your way in so as to ensure you do not have to rush to get into school on time.

Any forced closures (eg: due to extreme weather, no water or electricity in the school, etc) would be emailed as soon as possible to parents and carers. Parents who receive electronic newsletter would receive an email and the class reps would also receive an email to be passed around. Where possible, we would also send a text message - although this would be reliant on power and a member of staff being able to get to school. If you would like your name added to an emergency email list, please email head@newend.camden.sch.uk

Events over the next Week

- ◆ Thurs, 1st March
World Book Day
and start of New
End's Book Week
- ◆ Thurs, 1st March
Y6 School Journey
Meeting - 6.30pm
- ◆ Sun, 4th March
NESA Movie and
Popcorn afternoon
- ◆ Mon, 5th March
1D Class Assembly

Just to show we keep going no matter the weather...Here's our boys' football team waiting to collect their medal and trophy on Tuesday after winning the borough competition. Congratulations! (More details next week.)



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Attendance and Punctuality Update

Here is the last week's attendance and punctuality.

	Attendance	Unauthorised Absence	No of Lates (no of chn)
RG	91.15%	0.77%	3 (2)
RS	96.25%	0.83%	0 😊😊
1D	93.60%	2.40%	4 (3)
1K	88.33%	2.50%	4 (3)
2B	95.86%	1.38%	8 (6)
2E	89.64%	0 😊	4 (4)
3C	95.86%	2.07%	7 (3)
3P	95.17%	0.69%	5 (4)
4T	99.29%	0 😊	4 (2)
4W	92.14%	1.43%	5 (4)
5H	97.04%	0 😊	3 (2)
5W	91.60%	2.00%	2 (2)
6G	90.36%	1.07%	2 (2)
6J	88.97%	6.21%	6 (4)

Well done RS, 4T and 5H - all above 96% attendance!

Well done 2E, 4T and 5H - no unauthorised absence!

Well done RS - no lates!

Attendance across the school last week was 93.78%, with an unauthorised absence level of 1.53%. Remember that good attendance is seen as 96% or better. Attendance to date this academic year is 94.84% with an unauthorised absence level of 0.71%. Let's keep working together to improve these figures even further! Parents and carers are reminded that any absence from school is considered an absence on your child's record.



Remember...when your child is not in school, they are always noted as being absent. Please ensure you contact the office to explain your child's absence. A reason of "sick" or "unwell" **IS NOT** sufficient and will not be recorded in the register as authorised.

Nine families received letters this week informing them that they will require a doctor's note / appointment card to have any absence authorised in the future at the start or end of a half term or term. A further ten families are being monitored for future absences around a holiday.

There were 57 lates last week (1 more than the previous week) involving 41 children (7 more than the previous week) throughout the school. **Let's make sure we continue to improve this!**

New End Book Fortnight

Our Book Week got off to a great start today by reading for five minutes every hour (**Drop Everything And Read**). We also revealed our **class doors**. Each class has chosen a different book or character and displayed them on their door for everyone to see. They look great! We were planning on inviting parents and carers in tomorrow to look at the doors. However, with the adverse weather conditions and trying to limit the number of wet feet coming into the building, parents and carers are now more than welcome to come inside next Friday, 9th March between 9 and 9.30am to have a look at the doors. (Please allow children to come into school first at 8.55am before making your way into the building to avoid congestion.)

All children have today received a **book token** which can be used at a variety of bookshops.

Children have also received a bookmark on which to record their after school reading minutes as part of The "**Million Minutes**" campaign. Please support your child to complete this daily and send back into school. Remember all reading counts including newspapers, instructions and for younger children being read to!

Due to the adverse weather, the dress up has been postponed until Friday, 9th March. Children, staff and parents are encouraged to **come dressed up as a favourite book character**. A £1 donation is requested which will go to World Book Aid. Every child who donates will automatically be entered to the raffle. Good luck!

Raffle tickets are on sale from next week for £1. They will be available in the infant playground from 8.50-9am and again at home time. There are a variety of prizes to be won and the draw will take place at the **Second Hand Book Sale and Tea** next Friday, 9th March.



Junior Travel Ambassadors

Congratulations to the following children who will be receiving their official badges soon - Alex, Alfie, Bay (absent), Fatima, Hillary, Laith, Layla (absent), Lily Rose (absent), Leon and William.



Illegal and Dangerous Parking in the Area around the School

One of the first jobs of the JTA's will be to write to local community members to support the upcoming consultation to close off roads near the school at drop off and collection times. This is a project that the school has been working on alongside the local authority for some time. (You may have seen some people around in December, January and February with clip boards too as they are doing some preliminary traffic counts for the local authority as part of the final preparation for the consultation.) Unfortunately consultations such as these do not happen overnight and there is no guarantee that members of the community living close to the school will want to go ahead with the plan. A timely letter from the children at New End might help persuade them that the overall safety of the children (and parents / carers) is very important and outweighs any negatives they feel on a personal level!

PS Look out too for some new moveable signs that we have ordered after a successful bid for funding from Camden in December. These signs will also remind those individuals not doing the right thing that their actions are dangerous to children.

Reception News



After reading the Chinese zodiac story and watching dragon and lion dances, **RG** were inspired to make our own dragons! We also had a special visitor in **RG** who came to talk about Chinese New Year. Ethan's mum agreed to explain some of the Chinese New Year celebrations to us.



In celebration of Chinese New Year, **RS** engaged in a range of fun activities such as making and tasting stir fry, making dancing dragons and lions, counting money in Laisee packets and listening to and play acting the story about the Chinese Zodiac.



NESA News

BORN LEADER Popcorn Film Sunday presents:
The Boss Baby & Captain Underpants
 At New End School
 On Sunday 4th March
 Doors open at 2.00 pm for film start at 2.30 pm
 Come and watch a movie with your friends!
 Children must be accompanied by an adult for the duration of the event
 Suggested donation of £2 per child - adults free

Popcorn Movie Sunday - THIS SUNDAY 4th March

You'll be pleased to know that we now have both films confirmed for Popcorn Movie Sunday on 4th March. Boss Baby and Captain Underpants. Make a date in your diary to join us at school (on the first floor). Doors open at **2pm** with the films starting at **2.30pm**. Popcorn, ice cream, cakes and drinks all on sale. £2 per child entrance fee.

International Quiz Night - 24th March 2018

Tickets are selling well for this great night out. If you want to come along, ask your class rep for a ticket or email me direct and I'll arrange it. Just £10 each and if you can get a team together you can have 6 tickets for £50. I've chosen some new red and white wine specially and there'll be some great nibbles on the table. It's not hard, just a bit of fun, come along and help raise some funds for the school. 7pm doors, 7.30pm start.

NEW END PRIMARY SCHOOL **ADULTS ONLY**
 International **Quiz NIGHT**
 Saturday 24th March
 7.30pm
 Snacks included with ticket
 Cash bar!
 TICKETS £10 EACH OR £50 FOR A TEAM OF 6
 GET TOGETHER A TEAM, DEVISE A GREAT NAME AND COME ALONG FOR A FUN NIGHT OUT!
 Tickets on sale from your class rep or via nesachair@gmail.com

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Headlice

A number of cases of headlice have been reported over the last week. Classes where there have been outbreaks have been informed.

Head lice are tiny insects about the size of a sesame seed. They move from one person to another by head-to-head (hair-to-hair) contact. They cannot jump to another person's head. Head lice lay eggs which hatch after 7-10 days. It takes about 10 days for a recently hatched louse to grow into an adult and start to lay eggs. Nits are the empty white egg shells which are left when the lice hatch. Nits look like dandruff but stick strongly to hair. Unlike dandruff, you cannot easily brush out nits.

Children who get head lice may feel embarrassed or ashamed, but they shouldn't. Anyone can get head lice. It has nothing to do with being dirty or clean and lice do not spread disease or illness.

Advice to Parents

How to Find Head Lice

- Severe itching is the most common sign of head lice.
- Look for head lice and tiny white or grey coloured eggs called nits. Nits look like tiny water drops and are stuck on the hair. They are hard to remove. While nits might signal a live infestation, they don't necessarily mean that live head lice are present; the eggs may have already hatched.
- Check your own head and the heads of everyone who lives in the home.
- Advise school that your child has head lice, also tell the parents of your child's friends to check their child for head lice.

How to treat Head Lice

- Information about special medicated treatments is available from the pharmacist or doctor.
- Only use medicated treatments on your child's head if you find live, moving head lice. Follow the manufacturer's instructions carefully.
- Do not use medicated treatments if you just find eggs or nits.
- After treating your child's hair, make sure there are no live head lice. If you still find head lice that are moving, go back to the pharmacist or doctor for help.
- You can choose to remove nits from the hair by pulling them off with your fingernails or a special lice comb, but this is not necessary.

After the first treatment parents should:

- Check the child's head to make sure the treatment was successful. It was successful if no live lice are found.
- Speak to a pharmacist about another chemical treatment if you still find live lice.
- Continue to check the child's head every day for 10 days. This is important as eggs that you are unlikely to have seen will continue to hatch.
- Do a second treatment 7 to 10 days after the first successful treatment. Chemical treatments do not completely kill eggs. The second treatment will kill lice that hatch after the first treatment.

After the second treatment parents should:

- Visually inspect the child's head to make sure the treatment was successful.
- Parents can remove any nits if they choose.
- Inspect the child's head every two days for 10 consecutive days.
- After 10 days of inspecting without detecting more live head lice, return to checking the child's head once a week for nits and lice.

How to Prevent Head Lice

Knowledge is one of the most important steps to both prevention and treatment. Parents and school staff both play key roles in preventing head lice. It is important that parents regularly check their child's head and encourage their child not to share personal items, such as combs, hats and scarves; to tie long hair back.

And Finally

Once again can I remind parents to inform the school office if you change address or phone number. It is very important that we have the right contact details in case of an emergency. This week we have sent out texts to the first named contact for every child in the school. If you or your partner did not receive these texts, we do not have a number for you on file.

Continue to take care of yourselves and look out for each other.



Karyn Ray Headteacher

2017-2018 Dates for your Diary

Mon, 19 th March	3C Class Assembly
Wed, 21st March	4W Class Assembly - Change of Date
Sat, 24 th March	NESA Quiz Night
Mon, 26 th March	RS Class Assembly
Thurs, 29 th March	Last Day of Spring Term
Mon, 16 th April	Children return for the start of the Summer term
Fri, 20 th April	Star Assemblies
Mon, 30 th April	RG Class Assembly
May	KS1 (Y2) Testing Period
Thurs, 3 rd May	INSET DAY / POLLING DAY
W/B 14 th May	Year Six SATs
21 st - 25 th May	Year Six School Journey
Mon, 21 st May	1K Class Assembly
Mon, 28 th May - Fri, 1 st June	Half Term
Fri, 8 th June	Star Assemblies
W/B 11 th June	Year One Phonic Screening
Mon, 11 th June	Nursery Class Assembly
Mon, 18 th June	2B Class Assembly
Mon, 16 th July	3P Class Assembly
Fri, 20 th July	Last Day of Academic year - School closes at 1.30pm
Mon, 23 rd July	INSET Day

2018-2019 Dates for your Diary

Mon, 3 rd September	INSET Day
Tues, 4 th September	Children return for the start of the Autumn term
Mon, 22 nd - Fri, 26 th October	Half Term
Fri, 21 st December	Last Day of the Autumn Term - School closes at 1.30pm
Mon, 7 th January	INSET Day
Tues, 8 th January	Children return for the start of the Spring Term
Mon, 18 th - Fri, 22 nd February	Half Term
Fri, 5 th April	Last Day of Spring Term
Tues, 24 th April	INSET Day
Wed, 25 th April	Children return for the start of the Summer term
May	KS1 (Year 2) Testing Period
Mon, 6 th May	May Day Holiday
Mon, 13 th - Fri, 17 th May	Year 6 SATs
Mon, 27 th - Fri, 31 st May	Half Term
W/B 10 th June	Year One Phonic Screening
Fri, 19 th July	Last Day of Academic year - School closes at 1.30pm
Mon, 22 nd July	INSET Day
Tues, 23 rd July	INSET Day

IF A DATE CHANGES OR IS ADDED, IT WILL BE HIGHLIGHTED IN THIS SECTION.

DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE - OFTEN BY OUTSIDE FORCES!

IF A DATE CHANGES OR A NEW DATE ADDED IT WILL BE HIGHLIGHTED IN BOLD.