
LANGSTONE INFANT ACADEMY

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School Lunch – Thursday 18th January

The Local Education Authority has decided that **Thursday 18th January** will be the Spring Census day. This date is particularly important in terms of our school's future allocation of funding for Universal Infant Free School Meals, as the funding we receive will be based on the number of children who have a school meal on this day. **As a result of this decision it is vital that as many children as possible have a school meal on this day to secure the maximum funding for our school.** The menu on this day will be RED: Thai chicken curry, GREEN: Margherita Pizza, YELLOW: Mac & Cheese.

Walk to School Challenge

We are taking part in the Pompey Monster Walk to School Challenge. To take part you need to register your child at www.portsmouth.gov.uk/pompeymonster before Thursday 18 January. Full details are on the attached leaflet which was also sent home earlier this week.

100% Attendance

Congratulations to the 79 children who achieved 100% attendance for the Autumn Term. Certificates will be given out next week.

Absence from School

If your child is unable to attend school due to illness please contact the school on the first morning of the illness by 9.30am and on each subsequent day of absence unless told otherwise by the office staff. If your child is absent for 5 or more consecutive school days you will be required to provide medical evidence. Medical evidence may be in the form of an appointment card, note from the medical practitioner's reception, copy of a prescription, copy of any medication given, etc.

Please make all routine medical & dental appointments out of school hours and allow plenty of time for travel after school. If your child will be late for school or needs to be collected during the school day due to an appointment please inform the office in advance **and provide a copy of the letter/appointment card.**

If you wish to take your child out of school for any reason other than medical/dental appointments you will be required to complete a **Leave of Absence from School Form** and return to office at least 5 days in advance of the absence.

Footwear

We would like to clarify what footwear can be worn to school. **ALL** footwear should be **plain black** (no coloured motifs or soles), low heeled and without laces (unless your child is proficient at tying them). It is acceptable during the winter months to wear boots providing they are **plain black leather/leather look.** All other boots (ie fur, wellingtons, ugg etc) must be changed on arrival in the classroom so please ensure your child brings their school shoes with them.

Dates for the Diary

Friday 9th February – INSET Day (School closed)

10th – 18th February – Spring Half Term Holiday

Thursday 29th March – INSET Day (School closed)

30th March – 15th April – Easter Holidays

Monday 16th April – First day of Summer Term

Wednesday 18th April – Year R Screening by School Nursing Service

Thursday 19th April – Year R Screening by School Nursing Service

Thursday 26th April – Year 1 Trip to Longdown Activity Farm

Monday 7th May – Bank Holiday

Thursday 17th May – Class Photographs

26th May – 3rd June – Summer Half Term Holiday

Monday 4th June – INSET Day (School closed)

Tuesday 24th July – Last day of Summer Term