



Successful Learners & Responsible Citizens

Autumn Term 2015 Newsletter - Issue 1

Meet the leadership team.



## Message from the Headteacher

I would like to welcome you back to the new school year at Ladypool School and hope that you all had a great summer. Everyone looks refreshed and ready for another exciting term. I would also like to welcome new families to our school. We look forward to working with you to ensure your child has a happy and successful time with us. Over the coming weeks and months we will be sharing with you all our plans to help our children become successful in their future careers. Welcome also to our new revamped monthly newsletter which will give you lots of upto date, information and news. I would like to introduce to our senior leadership team and also to the newest members of our school staff below.



### Attendance

Class 1L—95%	Class 4P - 97.7%
Class 1P - 92.1%	Class 4L- 98%
Class 2P - 97.5%	Class 5L - 93.7%
Class 2L - 95.8%	Class 5P - 97.3%
Class 3L - 98.7%	Class 6L - 90.0%
Class 3P—94.4%	Class 6P - 92.5%
	Class 6S - 98.1%



Hello My name is Ms Grandison. I was lucky enough to be appointed to the post of Deputy Headteacher this September. My mission is to work closely with you the parents, staff and Mrs Aslam to transform Ladypool into a centre of educational excellence. A place where your child thrives, is confident, achieves their very best and most importantly is happy, safe and secure. I recognise that we are lucky to have parents who are truly aspirational for their children and together we will ensure all children receive the high quality education experience they deserve.



Welcome to the start of a new school year. My name is Miss Khan and I am an Assistant Headteacher at Ladypool Primary. I am in charge of KS2 and Maths. We want learning for all our children to be fun. practical and engaging. We strive our best to ensure your child will succeed in every aspect of their primary education.



Hello my name is Mrs Delgado I am the AHT with responsibility for Nursery, Reception and KS1. I will do my best to get to know each individual child. I will be checking that they are all learning and progressing well. If you have any questions about your child's education please feel free to come and see me.



Hello, my name is Mrs Harries. This is my second year at Ladypool Primary School and I know that this year will be even more successful for the children and the school. I oversee Behaviour, Safeguarding and SEND in school to support children feeling safe, happy and included in all aspects of school life. Please feel free to come and see me about successes or concerns.



Miss Sandhar Year 2

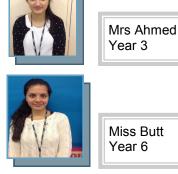


Miss Shafiq Year 4



Mrs Hussain Year 6

## Meet the new staff



Miss Butt Year 6



Miss Basmah Mockbil Parent Support Advisor



Mrs Hussain ICT Teacher



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## Important Dates

24th September - Eid- UI-Adha .

25th September - Parents/pupils Eid party

28th September—Harvest festival.

2nd October-Roald Dahl day.

8th October-National Poetry day

14th October - Open day/Evening for prospective students.

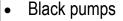
19th - 23rd October—Black History week.

26th - 30th October - Half term holidays.

2nd November—Teacher training day.

## **PE Kits**

- White T-shirt
- Black shorts/ trousers



## Stay and play

Stay and Play will take place in the nursery every Thursday afternoon from 1.30-3pm. This is an exciting opportunity for parents and carers with children aged between 0 to 3 years old, to enjoy a range of fun, educational and exciting activities with their child. The registration session will take place on Thursday 1st October at 1.30pm. Remember all Parents are welcome to attend. If you want any further information please speak to Mrs Mockbil.



## Free school meals—Do you qualify?

You can register your child for Free School Meals at the school office if you get any of these benefits:

Income Support

Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance

Income-related Employment and Support Allowance

Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

I The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit

Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190

Working Tax Credit 'run-on' - the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

## **E-Safety**

E-safety is vitally important to ensure children stay safe on-line. To learn more about the risks facing our children when they use computers, please log on to http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk . Watch this space for parent sessions in school.

Other useful websites you might like to visit:

http://support.xbox.com/en-GB/xbox-live/online-privacy-and-safety/onlinesafety

http://www.childnet.com/ufiles/Parent-Factsheet-0413.pdf

http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/ufiles/Facebook-checklist-Nov2013.pdf http://www.digizen.org/downloads/cyberbullyingOverview.pdf

http://www.connectsafely.org/guides-2/ Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP)

## **School Uniform**

Please ensure your child is in the correct school uniform. Parents are asked to take responsibility for ensuring that all clothing is clearly labelled with the child's name and that students wear uniform. Parents will be notified by letter when a pupil is not in uniform .

- Purple Ladypool Primary School sweatshirt
- Purple jumper/ cardigan (Girls) •
- White shirt/ polo shirt
- Grey dress/ trousers/ skirt
- Black shoes
- No heels



### Parent dialogue

Class teachers know that they are able to have a brief chat at the end of the day-please feel free to ask questions if you need to know anything about your child at school. If a longer discussion is needed please make an appointment to see your child's class teacher . We want to 'nip' issues before situations escalate. We have a new Parent Support Advisor Mrs Mockbil who is also on hand to support you.

### King Edwards open day.

There will be an open day for year 6 boys at King Edwards school, Edgbaston Park Road, on Saturday 3rd October from 10::00 until 12:30pm.





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# Reading at home

Well done to our new reception children who have settled in wonderfully. What a good start!

This term at school we have a big focus on reading. In school we have dedicated more time to high quality reading sessions. We have given every child a book bag, two reading books and a reading log. For children to be even more successful we would like you to encourage your child to ready at home and record it in their logs.

If you need any support with this please see our Parent Support Advisor Mrs Mockbill, your child's class teacher or a member of the senior leadership team. Over the course of this half term we will be holding reading workshops. These sessions will give you lots of tips on how to support your child's reading.



# Year 2 trip news

On Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September, Year 2 went on a trip to The Black Country Living Museum as part of our topic, Street Detectives. We learned about life in the past by visiting houses and shops from different eras. We travelled on a tram and went to a silent movie show. We even had a Victorian school lesson.



## **Parent Governor vacancy**

- Are you interested in driving improvements at Ladypool?
- Do you have experience of being on a board or committee already?

If you have any valuable skills that could benefit the school please do not hesitate to put yourself forward for nomination as a parent governor. Watch out for the letters with your child.

# **Eid parties**

The children and parents celebrated Eid - ul - Adha in style at Ladypool Primary school. They all looked fantastic in their Eid clothes.

The festival, also known as the Greater Eid, is the second most important in the Muslim calendar. It remembers the Prophet Ibrahim's willingness to sacrifice his son when God ordered him to..

The afternoon was enjoyable and the children and staff were entertained by Dippy the Clown! Equally the parents party was also a success with a number of parents enjoying themselves.

The partying continued long into the afternoon with fun, games and delicious party food kindly supplied by parents.



# Year 6 - SATs

Year 6 children take their tests on set dates in mid-May 2016 and are completed over the space of a week.

Ways To Help Your Child With SAT's Revision

- Don't worry or panic your child.
- Give them practice papers to complete, so that they get used to the type of questions they will be asked.
- Practise the basics with them e.g. times tables, adding/taking away in their head.
- Give them the chance to write for different purposes e.g. a letter, an information page about something that interests them (space, lions,etc) instructions for making a sandwich, a story.



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## Should my child go to school today? Think twice - everyday counts.

Headache, Earache and stomach ache can go to school just let the staff know they have felt unwell. Give paracetamol and plenty of fluids to drink. If headache, earache or stomach ache persist please seek medical advice.

### High temperature.

Give paracetamol and plenty to drink. After paracetamol, if your child feels better, bring them into school. If the child's high temperature continues for three days or more please seek medical advice.

### Coughs & colds

Children should be given paracetamol, plenty of fluids to drink and can be sent to school. If your child is asthmatic, remember they may need their blue inhaler more often.

### Flu & Swine flu

Children should go back to school when recovered. This is usually about five days.

### **Conjunctivitis**

Children can go to school. They should wash their hands to prevent further infection.

#### Sore throat, tonsillitis and glandular fever

Children should be given paracetamol, plenty of fluids to drink and can be sent to school.

### Diarrhoea & vomiting

Children can return to school 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhea or vomiting.

### **Headlice**

Children can go to school with headlice but they must be treated for the condition to prevent further spreading. Parents should treat their children and family members.

### **Scabies**

Children can go back to school after first treatment.

### Threadworm

Children can go to school when they have started their treatment. Everyone at home should be treated.

In order to make this school year as productive as possible, a student must be in school on a regular basis with little or no absences.

# Year 1—Ladypool's Got Green Fingers!

You may have noticed that strange things happened in the playground vegetable beds over the summer holidays! Last term, each class planted a different fruit or vegetable as part of our "Health for Life" project. The Lunchtime Gardening Club, (set up and led by Ishaq in Year 5) carefully tended the plants every day. We returned to school in September to discover enormous marrows and pumpkins, dozens of tomatoes and corn on the cob as tall as Mr. Crogan!! The children have been picking the produce and handing it into the school kitchen for Mrs. Loughran, the cook, to add to the school meals.

Our favourites so far are the tomatoes, which are so sweet that they often don't make it as far as the kitchen! We will be picking the corb over the next week or two so look out for it on the salad bar and enjoy!



## Gardening award

