

#WeAreLemington



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NEWSLETTER: May 3rd 2019

Dear Parents, Carers and the community of Lemington,

LEMINGTON RIVERSIDE JOINS THE GREAT NORTH MATHS HUB:

We are delighted to confirm that we have been successful in our application to join the 'Great North Maths Hub'. Our staff will get to work alongside maths specialists from across the North East to continue to develop our teaching of maths across the school.

LITTER PICKING LEGENDS!

Thank you to our children who have continued to impress the local community with their lunch-time litter picking efforts recently. We were even noticed by Lee Corby from Newcastle City Council who popped into school to present our children with some brand new litter pickers and litter picking bibs. Thanks Lee and well done to our awesome children!



A VISIT FROM AN INTERNATIONAL RUGBY STAR!

We are delighted to be the first school in the west of Newcastle to form an official partnership with Newcastle Thunder Rugby League Club. Coach Dan Gilroy runs a lunch-time rugby club every Wednesday with us and also coaches our Year 2 and Year 3-4 classes on a Wednesday afternoon. In our first session we were also joined by Newcastle Thunder and Cook Islands international rugby star Carne Doyle Manga – he thought our children were amazing (and we agree!).

ST. GEORGE'S DAY CELEBRATIONS!

On Tuesday 23rd April we celebrated the national day of England, St. George's Day with a day of English-themed lessons and activities across the school. We feel it's really important for our children to understand big events that are happening around them in the world, and also for them to learn about their own culture and identity.



LUNCH-TIMES:

We continue to work hard to make your child's lunch-time experience here at Lemington Riverside as enjoyable and exciting as possible. We have now invested in new equipment for all of our playgrounds. We have noticed a real improvement in the atmosphere at lunch time in school!

LEMINGTON FESTIVAL 2019:

This year's Lemington Festival takes place on Saturday 29th June 2019. We will be sharing more information nearer to the time and are currently in the process of planning the event with other groups from the community. I am looking for a group of parents to organise a raffle to raise funds for the school on this day – if you are interested in being involved in this, please do come and speak to me!

EARLY YEARS BUILDING WORK:

An update on the Early Years building work... due to an issue with the floor in this building there is going to be significant building work taking place in this building over the next couple of months. Whilst this is unfortunate, once the work is completed we will have a nicely upgraded building for our Nursery and Reception children to learn in. We thank you for your patience during the building works and will continue to keep you updated to the progress of the work. For now, the children have settled brilliantly into the main building and should continue to be dropped off and collected from the main entrance.

YEAR 2 & 6 SAT's/YEAR 1 PHONICS SCREENING:

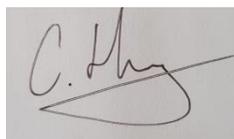
It's that time of year when our Year 2 and Year 6 children take their SAT tests. These tests are a measure of the progress our children have made in school in English and Maths. They are nothing for your child to worry about and I would appreciate if you could re-assure them about this at home! We know that our children have talents in so many areas (not just English and Maths) and whilst we want our children to do their best, we would like to remind you that these tests only measure progress in these two subject areas!

UNIFORM:

The vast majority of our children look extremely smart in their school uniform every day! Please can I remind all parents that children should always attend school in uniform unless there is a genuine reason why they can't (blue jumper/cardigan, white/blue polo shirt, school trousers/skirt). Thanks for your support with this!

Thank you for continued positivity and support! Have a lovely Bank Holiday Weekend and we'll see you all on **Tuesday 7th May**.

Take care,



Mr. Heeley - Head Teacher

Up and coming holiday dates:

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday

Friday 24th May – Break up for Half Term

Monday 3rd June – Back to school after Half Term.

Friday 19th July – We break up for the Summer Holidays.



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