

# NEWSLETTER

## NELSON PRIMARY SCHOOL

26TH APRIL 2024



### HEADTEACHER MESSAGE



Dear Nelson Families,

I'm delighted to welcome you back for the summer term! We've got a vibrant schedule planned, filled with exciting learning opportunities and fun activities for the children.

#### Save the Date: Summer Fair!

Pencil in your diaries for our highly anticipated Summer Fair, happening during the week of July 1st (weather permitting)! We'll have all the usual favourites: delicious food stalls, engaging games, and lots of entertainment. This year, we're especially excited to showcase the talents of our school's Djembe Music and Dance Club – their rehearsals have been fantastic, and I can assure you you're in for a real treat!

#### Growing Together: Our School Allotment

With the summer term here, and as it finally looks like we are getting some much needed sunshine, the children in each class, along with the Nelson Gardeners, are busy planting a variety of vegetables for their cooking projects. We're also growing a surplus that will be available for purchase at the Summer Fair – a chance to stock up on fresh, healthy, homegrown produce!

#### Rock Steady Bands

The Rock Steady Band program is off to a fantastic start! Children who signed up have formed their own bands and even come up with some creative names – The Walking Penguins and The Flaming Ducks, for example. We can't wait to see their musical talents develop! There are still a few spots available if your child is interested – you can sign them up on the Rock Steady Music School website:  
<https://booking.rocksteadymusicschool.com/>.

#### Year 1: Learning About Our Planet

Last week, Year 1 had a fantastic workshop called "It's My Planet Too!" performed by The Playhouse Company. This interactive experience explored themes of environmental issues and caring for our planet.



Our Allotment



The children learned about the importance of rainforests and how our actions can affect the world around us. Year 1 also enjoyed a trip to Ash End Farm, where they got to meet various friendly animals.

### **Celebrating Earth Day and the Arts**

This week, the entire school celebrated Earth Day, a crucial opportunity to teach our children about protecting our planet. Year 4 was treated to a performance of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" by The Shakespeare Company. With a focus on great writing in mind, Year 2 parents also attended the Writing Parents Workshops to support their children's learning and development in writing. We're thrilled to be supporting your involvement in your child's education.

### **Other Announcements**

#### *Ladywood Regeneration Information Events:*

There will be a series of information events about the Ladywood Regeneration Project at the Ladywood Health SPC Community Centre. No appointment is necessary. These will be held on:

- May 2nd, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- May 16th, 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
- June 6th, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- June 20th, 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
- July 4th, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

### **Congratulations to 3CC!**

A huge round of applause to Miss Chatz's class (3CC) for achieving the highest attendance rate: a remarkable 97.23%! Parents will receive a well-deserved £20 Tesco vouchers as a reward. Parents can collect this from the school office.

We would like to remind all parents that regular school attendance is essential for a child's academic progress and social development. Booking leave during term time will not be authorised. The Department for Education (DfE) expects all students to attend school during term time, and unauthorised absences may result in fines. There are 13 designated non-school weeks throughout the year, providing ample opportunity for family vacations and travel. We encourage parents to plan trips during these designated school holidays.

### **School Closure – May 2nd**

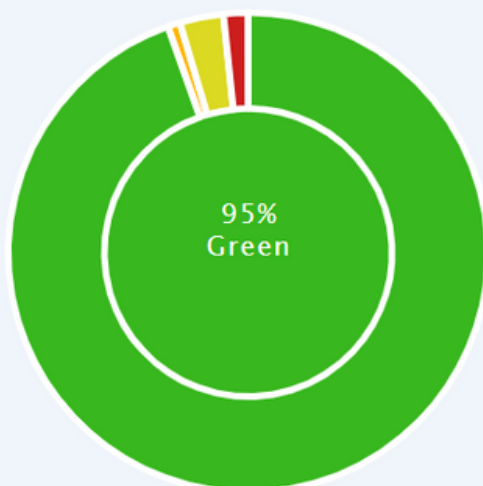
As a reminder, the school will be closed on Thursday, May 2nd due to the Combined Authority Mayoral Election and Police and Crime Commissioner Elections. Children will return to school on Friday, May 3rd as usual.

We look forward to another successful and engaging **term!**

**Sincerely,**

**Miss Forrest Headteacher**

**BEHAVIOUR**



To manage and report on behaviour, we use the -Lights system. This is a four-tiered system that utilises colours to represent different levels of behaviour: red, green, orange, and yellow.

Since the summer term began, a whopping 95% of all recorded behaviours have been green! This incredible achievement shines a light on your fantastic commitment to following our Diamond Rules. Keep up the excellent work – your positive choices are building a fantastic learning environment for everyone!

# ATTENDANCE



	01/08/2024	Total for Term
F2SK	94%	92%
F2CB	91%	94%
Y1PH	98%	95%
Y1DM	95%	94%
Y2TK	96%	96%
Y2LB	89%	93%
Y3CC	98%	97%
Y3DD	92%	96%
Y4RR	95%	96%
Y4MS	90%	95%
Y5ZR	99%	96%
Y5AI	93%	96%
Y6VD	95%	96%
Y6DC	98%	95%
Average	95%	95%

<90%	Serious Concern
90%+	Significantly Concern
92%+	Very Concerning
93%+	Concerning
94%+	Needs to improve
95%+	Good
96%+	Very Good
97%+	Excellent
98%+	Outstanding
99%+	Wow!
100%	Incredible

Well done to all the classes who have hit 95% or above. Remember that the class with the best attendance **all term** will receive a £20 voucher.

## DIARY DATES



THURSDAY  
2nd May

All Day  
School closed for local elections

MONDAY  
6th May

All Day  
Bank Holiday. School is closed.

THURSDAY  
23rd May

All Day  
Last day of the this half term.

FRIDAY  
24th May

All Day  
Teacher Training Day-School is closed

## COLLECTION TIMES

### SUMMER 1

INITIALS A-K: 3:05PM

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