

# February 2019

## Ivy Road Primary Newsletter

### **Dates for your diary:**

#### **Wednesday 30 January**

Year 6 class assembly. **Parents and carers are invited to attend this.**  
Swimming lessons - Years 4 & 5.  
Football Club for Years 1 & 2 with NUFC after school (Session 4 of 6).

#### **Wednesday 6 February**

Swimming lessons - Years 4 & 5.  
Football Club for Years 1 & 2 with NUFC after school (Session 5 of 6).

#### **Thursday 7 February**

Early Years (Nursery and Reception) class assembly. **Parents and carers are invited to attend this.**

#### **Tuesday 12 February**

Year 6 at Newcastle University (all day).

#### **Wednesday 13 February**

Swimming lessons - Years 4 & 5.  
Football Club for Years 1 & 2 with NUFC after school (Last session).

#### **Thursday 14 February**

Year 1 class assembly. **Parents and carers are invited to attend this.**

#### **Friday 15 February**

Maths parents morning.  
**Break up for half term holiday.**

#### **Monday 25 February**

**Back to school after half term holiday.**

#### **Wednesday 27 February**

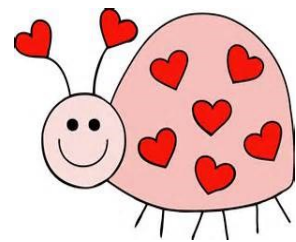
Swimming lessons - Years 4 & 5.  
Football Club for Years 1 & 2 with NUFC after school (1 of 6 sessions).

#### **Thursday 28 February**

Newcastle Eagles Basketball tournament for selected children from Years 4 & 5 (all day).

#### **Wednesday 6 March**

Swimming lessons - Years 4 & 5.  
Football Club for Years 1 & 2 with NUFC after school (2 of 6 sessions).



**Please note that dates are correct at time of going to print but may be subject to change.**



You may already be aware that Mrs Clark, our Administrative Assistant left us at the end of January to take up a new position. We are very sorry to see her go and wish her success for the future. Mrs Clark will however continue to serve on our Board of Governors.

**Please see over**



If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, it is essential that you telephone the school on the **FIRST** morning of absence and leave a message on the answer phone stating:

**Your child's name**

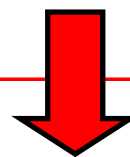
**Class**

**Reason for absence eg. vomiting, headache etc.**

(Please do not just say that your child is not feeling well.)

It would be helpful if you could telephone again on **each** subsequent day of absence.

Attendance is checked on a regular basis by the Local Authority Attendance and Placement Office who will follow up any absence that is not accounted for. Absences without a valid reason will be marked as 'Unauthorised'.



### LATENESS = LOST LEARNING!

A minority of our pupils are often late.

Please ensure that they are here **on time** and enter school through their designated door **NOT** via the school office.

- 5 minutes late each day works out at **3 days lost** over the school year.
- 15 minutes late each day works out at **10 days lost** over the school year.
- 30 minutes late each day works out at **19 days lost** over the school year.

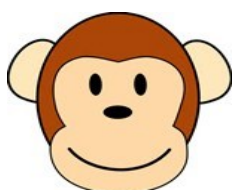
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Attendance is monitored closely. Each week the class with the best attendance wins 'Popcorn' the monkey. List of winners:

w/c 07/01/2019 - Years 2 & 6 with 100%

w/c 14/01/2019 - Year 2 with 100%

w/c 21/01/2019 - Year 6 with 100%



**On the subject of absence.....**

### **Vomiting and/or Diarrhoea**

**Please allow 48 hours since the last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea before sending your child back to school.**

#### Out of School Club

We provide competitively priced childcare in our Out of School Club for children in Reception to Year 6.

The club runs from Monday to Friday term time, from 3.15 pm until 5.45 pm. We offer a sibling discount and accept childcare vouchers.

**Children do not have to be booked in for the full week. You may book odd days.** If, for example you are planning a shopping trip and don't want to rush back for 3.15 pm; you could **in advance**, book your child into the Out of School Club allowing you some extra time.

If you are interested, please contact the school office who can provide you with the relevant information.

