



The Lower Halstow News

Lower Halstow/Newington CEP Schools Federation

Summer Term

June 2017

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Once again it has been a busy but ultimately successful year and I would like to thank everyone for their contributions. It is now time to look forward to next year and inform you of some changes.

At the end of term Mr Krafft will be leaving the school to become Head of School at Newington. Mrs Hayward will be taking up the position of Head of School at Lower Halstow School in September. Miss Gilbert is also leaving as she has secured a teaching position closer to home. We would like to thank Miss Gilbert and wish her every success in her future career.

New classes and staffing will be announced in the reports which are due out on the 6th July.

KS2 Production

The KS2 Production, 'Ali Ba Ba and the Bongo Bandits', will take place on the following days:-
Tuesday 4th July @ 2.00pm - Dress Rehearsal

NB. We invite all parent/carers to attend this performance with Babies/Preschool children

Wednesday 5th July @ 2.00pm to Parent/Carers

NB. We ask that Parent/Carers do not bring babies or Preschool children

Thursday 6th July @ 6.00pm to Parent/Carers

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E-safety Tip

Talk to your child about cyberbullying, just as you would about other kinds of bullying, and encourage them to come to you if anyone ever upsets them when they're on the internet, their mobile or other devices.

Children often upload videos to their own YouTube channels for others to view. Please monitor your child's use of YouTube to ensure what they are viewing is appropriate and if they are uploading anything themselves.

Attendance

I am disappointed that whole school attendance has slipped down to 94.8%. Our target this year was 96%. A high level of school attendance is important and it has a direct impact on our Ofsted rating. A number of unauthorised absences over a period of time can result in a penalty notice being issued. If your child is arriving after 9.00 am, this is marked as an unauthorised absence and may lead to a penalty notice if a number of late marks are accumulated. We would also like to remind you that holidays will not be authorised and again this may lead to a penalty notice being issued.

Appointments

If your child has a medical appointment please let the school know, in writing, in advance so a leave of absence can be prepared.

Dates

July	4	Visit from Joe Ikhinmwin - London Lions Basketball Player
	4	KS2 Dress Rehearsal 2:00 - 3:30
	5	KS2 Production 2:00 - 3:30
	6	Race for Life - Fun Run and Tag Day
	6	KS2 Production 6:00 - 7:30
	7	INSET DAY - No Children to attend
	13	Open Evening 3:30 - 4:30
	14	Transition Afternoon
	14	PFA Disco 4:30 - 6:00
	17	School Trip - Reception Class
	19	Talent Show 2:00 - Parents Welcome
	21	Leavers' Service / End of Term 6

We welcome comments on how to make our school a better school for our children and are happy to meet parents/carers at mutually convenient times.

Our newsletter can also be seen at

www.lower-halstow.kent.sch.uk

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