

LAND OF LEARNING NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL



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SUMMER 2017

Message from the Head

Welcome to the Summer Newsletter. It has been a very busy term with Ramadhan, sports day, fun days and working with charities. We are very proud of our children and parents for coming to the end of the 2017 academic year with bright smiles and ready for a well deserved summer break!

This term is always filled with a mixture of pride and sadness for me. I am proud to see how much the children have achieved through the year, but it is also time to say goodbye to our Year 6 children. We have equipped them with strong foundations to develop into well-rounded young adults. We pray that as our Year 6 leave us they will continue to make us proud. We hope they will have a positive impact in their new school, the community and the world. Best wishes to our Year 6 pupils for every success in the future.

Thank you to all my colleagues, teaching, non-teaching and support staff for their commitment to the school over the year. Finally I would like to say thank you to all parents for your valuable partnership.

We pray for guidance, blessing and success in our work. We look forward to welcoming all the children back in the new academic year. Have a great holiday!

Mrs S Vania



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In light of recent events and tragedies in our local communities, nearby regions and nationwide, I have felt it a duty as a Muslim, a member of the community and as a head teacher to inspire our children at Land of Learning to be an advocate of peace in these troubled times. It is a responsibility of every individual to understand the requirements of a human being, to live in peace side by side with all he meets on a daily basis and with neighbours. One of the main focuses this Ramadhan at Land of Learning has been to keep peace with our neighbors and the people around us, the rights of neighbors and the little things we can do to spread peace around the community.



Ramadhan and Sadaqa

Ramadhan 2017 at Land of Learning was an auspicious and beautiful occasion whose light emanated throughout the school corridors and into the local community. Our children took part in many activities during this month which helped enhance their spiritual qualities and better themselves. We had many charity representatives who came to our school to speak to our children about those less fortunate than us and what we could do as individuals and as a school to help the wider community and people around us.

Some of the charities we were involved in this term; Age UK, the food bank, food drive and city retreat.

Our children were engrossed in making different Ramadhan and 'Eid gifts for the various charities. Children made iftaar packs with dates, zam zam water and chocolates. They also made gift packs for the homeless, sweet cones and many other gestures of generosity and peace.

Land of Learning were also hosts of an 'Eid assembly in other schools whereby our children performed plays and read nasheeds to share and celebrate our 'Eid festival with different children of different races, cultures, beliefs and backgrounds.

This Ramadhan the children were encouraged to learn and perfect the 99 names of the Almighty. Their hearts were opened to the memorisation of these beautiful words and the walls of Land of Learning echoed with their recitation during the blessed month. Some of the children further went on to accomplishing the task of memorizing Surah Rahman which they recited harmoniously in assembly.

It was a sad time to bid the blessed month of Ramadhan a farewell at Land of Learning this year as the children had learnt so much and the calm peaceful atmosphere around the school showed an indication of the knowledge and understanding of our children during this month. However, to bid this month goodbye and welcome the Eid festivities, we made gifts for the neighbours around the school which the children took around to show our appreciation for our neighbours and to spread peace and unity around our neighbourhood.



Sports Day

Land of Learning Sports day 2017 was won by Team Oak! Well done to the team and all the children who took part in our sports day. It was a wonderful summers day at Davenport sports field where our children took part in many races including the race for life walk which the children were sponsored for.



Art Week

To celebrate art week, all the children were involved in different activities around the school. We made tie-dye t-shirts and mosaic tiles which the children really enjoyed. We were also visited by a selection of artists who showed the children an insight into their artistry. A calligraphy artist



came to KS1 and taught the children the motions of a calligraphy pen to produce beautiful flows of writing and Arabic words. Another artist was organized to visit KS2 who showed the children the art of mosaics and mathematical patterns that are used in mosques and buildings around the world. It was a wonderful insight to see how mathematical



shapes such as circles and triangles, makes a huge contribution to the architecture of the Islamic world. The children had an opportunity to create their own models of buildings with plasticine and colored toothpicks. They also made mosaic 3D shapes which the children decorated and took home.



Goodbye Year 6

The time of year has to come to say goodbye to our year sixes. It has been a tough but inspiring journey as they have grown from little seeds into blossoming trees; ready to take on the world.

The end of the year was a fruitful one as the children went on the annual residential trip. The outdoors was a fresh start for our year sixes and a beautiful way to end the final chapter of their primary years, completing this volume of their life and preparing them for the future memories they will write.

Land of Learning Primary School KS2 results compared to the National Average(2017)

Land of Learning Primary School is pleased to announce their KS2 SATS results for 2017. The Key Stage 2 assessments are the new, more challenging national curriculum which was introduced in 2014.

Subject	Land of Learning Primary School 2016	National Average 2016	Land of Learning Primary School 2017	National Average 2017
Reading, Writing and Maths combined	65%	53%	90%	61%

Reminders

- Please park considerately and make sure school gates are not blocked. We are expanding in numbers and we definitely do not wish to upset our neighbours.
- We are a healthy eating school, so no crisps, chocolates, jam or chocolate spread sandwiches please.
- Punctuality is an essential part of life please instil this in children by always being on time.
- Label all uniform

End of Year Production

The end of year production 2017 took place on the 11th of July at the new Evington Community centre on Kedleston road. It was a great joy to see parents of KS1 and KS2 come together to watch the performances of the children which they have worked extremely hard for these last few weeks. The theme of this years assembly was the beauty of the Almighty and His Creation. We had nasheed group praising the Almighty in Arabic and English . It was a wonderful sight to see our children in their performing roles from plays about the beauty of the world to performance poetry/nasheeds about the attributes of the Almighty.



The year 5 children then gave us an insight into the diseases of the heart, self reflection and how to better ourselves. Finally, we finished off with our year sixes who gave a brilliant court case regarding 3 children who had been put to trial for immoral behaviour and attitudes. A big thank you to all parents for taking the time out to come and see the children perform and collect their certificates of achievement, effort, star child and 100%attendance.

Dates for Your Diary

Tuesday 29th August 2017	School reopens for the new
Monday 16th October 2017	Autumn half term
Monday 23rd October 2017	School reopens



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