

Lighthorne Heath Primary School Newsletter



Our staff team returned to school on Monday this week and have benefitted from a number of professional development training sessions over Monday and Tuesday.

It has been a short week for our children in school but everyone has settled very well and we are pleased to be able to welcome a number of new faces.

Here are our new Early Years class enjoying getting to know one another.

Staffing Updates...



We are delighted to welcome back Mrs. Lisa Cox to our school. Some families may remember that Mrs Cox worked at Lighthorne Heath Primary School between 2017-2021 (she was then Miss Clifton). Mrs Cox joins us as a class teacher and will be working in our EYFS class on a Thursday and Friday.

We are very pleased to welcome two new Teaching Assistants to our team. Mrs. Bush will be working in our Early Years team and Miss. Gilchrist will be working with Years 3 and 4.



Many of our parents and children met Mr. Arman Sangha at the end of the Summer Term. Mr. Sangha joins us as a class teacher and will be teaching our Year 3 & 4 class.

Our lovely Early Years colleague (formerly Miss. Belton) got married over the summer holiday, wasn't she a beautiful bride? Her married name is Mrs. Maull.





Physical Education

Our PE lessons are delivered by our wonderful colleagues at Onside Coaching.


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Mr. Rellis is our regular lead Coach and he often delivers the sessions personally, although we do have other coaches working in school from time to time. We are lucky that Mr. Rellis knows all of our children very well and is able to tailor each class' PE lesson to meet our pupils' needs while ensuring curriculum progression.



Mr. Rellis often dismisses the children at the end of the day and is always happy to talk to parents about their child's performance in PE.

All of the wonderful Onside coaches are fully trained in delivering the primary Physical Education curriculum and all have full enhanced DBS checks.

Children are required to bring their PE kits to school on the day that they have their PE lesson.

PE Timetable Autumn Term

Monday	Years 3 & 4
Tuesday	Years 5 & 6
Wednesday	Reception
Thursday	
Friday	Years 1 and 2

Swimming Lessons

Swimming lessons are held at Southam Pool on Monday Morning.

This term, Years 5 and 6 are swimming. Please ensure that children have their kit (one piece swimming costume or swimming trunks and towel) in school in order to take part.



Year 1 and 2



Looking at Learning

What a fabulous start to the new school year we have had in Year 1 and 2! I have been so impressed with all of the children's attitude towards their learning, their excitement to try new things and their willingness to have a go! Well done to all of the children in Year 1 and 2, I'm sure we have a wonderful year ahead!

Our class topic for this term is:

Magnificent Monarchs

As we introduced our topic this year we learned what a 'monarch' is. The children thought carefully about what a king or queen does and came up with some wonderful questions for future learning in our topic.

To help us to think about what it would be like to be a king or queen, we designed our own crowns and thought about what rules we might put in place if we ruled for the day.



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Take One Picture



THE NATIONAL GALLERY



Take One Picture is our national programme for primary schools, which aims to inspire a lifelong love of art and learning. Run by The National Gallery, each year a picture is chosen to inspire cross curricular work in primary schools across the country. Children at Lighthorne Heath Primary School enjoy taking part in this project every year.

Just before the summer holiday, we heard news that our Year 3 and 4 class had won recognition for their fabulous piece of collaborative artwork that was submitted as entry into the 2023 project. Their piece of artwork, 'Jungle Flowers.' was created in response to their exploration and learning inspired by Henri Rousseau's painting, Surprised.



This piece of work is now displayed as part of the Take one Picture exhibition at The National Gallery in London. Mrs Hartley went to visit during the summer holiday and was pleased to see our artwork displayed pride of place at the front of the exhibit. Mrs Hartley reports that ours was the largest submission and she proudly saw it being admired by members of the public.

What an incredible achievement for our children to have their work exhibited in the National Gallery.



Jungle Flowers
Lighthorne Heath Primary School,
Warwickshire
Ages 7-9

Rousseau's plants inspired the children to create their own jungle. They researched jungle flowers and chose which ones to include. Paying close attention to the colours and shapes, the children painted their own versions and brought them together in a class artwork.

Sade Singh,
Class Teacher

"I enjoyed being creative and having a chance to do something collectively with my class."

Luka, aged 9



Diary Dates



Spring Term	
September	
Monday 9 th September	Nursery and Reception Stay and Play followed by parents welcome meeting 8.55am- 9.30 9.30-10.00
Tuesday 24 th September	Wildlife Trust visiting. Wildflower planting.
Friday 27 th September	Mufti Day (non-uniform day), please bring a donation (50p suggested) towards school fund
October	
16th-22nd October	Scholastic Book Fair in school
Friday 25 th October	Mufti Day (non-uniform day), please bring a donation (50p suggested) towards school fund
28 th October- 1st November	Half Term Holiday
November	
Monday 4 th November	Autumn 2 begins
Monday 4 th November	Protective Behaviours week
Friday 29 th November	Mufti Day (non-uniform day), please bring a donation (50p suggested) towards school fund.
December	
Monday 2 nd December	INSET day
TBC	Winter performances and celebrations
Monday 23 rd December 2024 to Friday 3 rd January 2025	Christmas Holiday Inset day Monday 6 th January School returns on Tuesday 7 th January

INSET Days 2024/25:

Monday 2nd December 2024

Monday 6th January 2025

Monday 21st July 2025

With best wishes from Mrs Westwood, Mrs Manley and all the staff at Lighthorne Heath Primary School.

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Article 5, Parental Guidance, Article 18, Parental responsibility

School Governor Vacancy

Lighthorne Heath Primary School shares a governing body with our Federation School, Sydenham Primary School. We currently have a vacancy for a school parent governor. It would be lovely to have a representation from Lighthorne Heath Primary School.

By volunteering as a school governor, you can make a difference by shaping the future of our children and young people.

There are no specific qualifications or requirements for the role - every governing body needs a balance and diversity of knowledge, skills and experience.

Our school governing board meets once each half term (at Sydenham Primary School) to oversee, monitor and make decisions regarding the leadership and daily running of each school.

If you are interested in becoming a school governor please speak to Mrs. Manley who can record your interest and give you more information about the role. Mrs. Manley can also be contacted on manley.j@welearn365.com



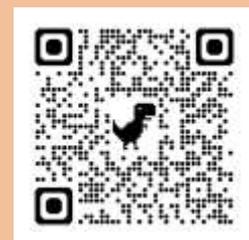
School Uniform

Our school uniform consists of a blue or white polo shirt, navy jumper or cardigan, grey trousers or skirt.

All children should wear black school shoes which are not trainers.



For P.E. lessons, children should wear a plain white t-shirt, black sports shorts and black trainers or pumps.



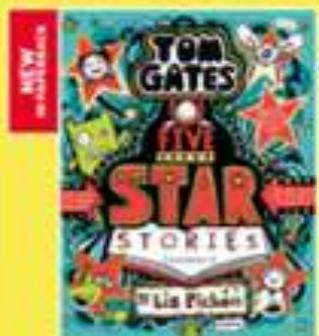
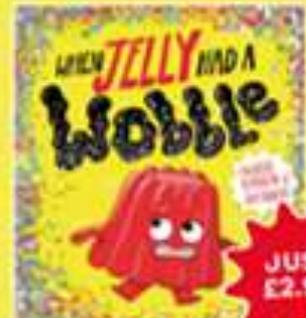
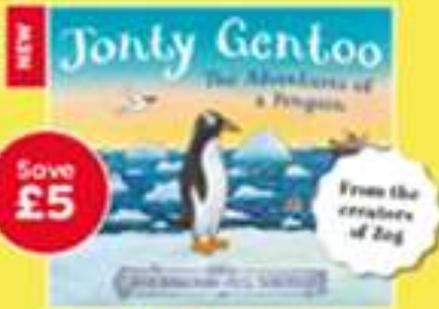
Uniform can be ordered online via www.stitchtech.co.uk or www.myclothing.com

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Date: 3.00 - 3.15pm - Main Hall
Wednesday 16th October
until Tuesday 22nd October





NEW MENU

Week three

Warwickshire, Coventry: 9/9, 30/9, 21/10, 11/11, 2/12, 6/1/25, 27/1, 24/2, 17/3, 7/4
Oxfordshire: 9/9, 30/9, 21/10, 11/11, 2/12, 6/1/25, 27/1, 24/2, 17/3, 7/4

Choose a main meal...

Southern Style Chicken Strips in a Wrap with Potato Wedges (G)

Vegetarian Only

(v) Jacket Potato with Cheese (D)

Jacket Potato – (v) Cheese (D),

Tuna (F.E)

Choose a main meal...

Beef Burgers with Diced Potatoes

Vegetarian Only

(vg) Veggie Bun with

Jacket Potato

Tuna (F.E)

Choose a main meal...

British Rice with Gravy

Vegetarian Only

(vg) Quorn Dippers with Crispy Rice

Jacket Potato

Tuna (F.E)

Choose a main meal...

(h) Mild Curry

Wholegrain rice (D)

Vegetarian Only

(vg) Quorn Dippers with Seasoned Wedges (G)

Jacket Potato – (v) Cheese (D),

Tuna (F.E) or (v) Baked Beans

Choose a main meal... **FISHY FRIDAY**

(msc) Fish Fillet Fingers (G.F) with Chipped Potatoes

Vegetarian Only

(vg) Breaded Vegetable Fingers with Chipped Potatoes (G)

Jacket Potato – (v) Cheese (D), Tuna

(F.E) or (v) Baked Beans

MONDAY

On the side...

Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v)(h) Chocolate Orange Cookie with Orange Wedges (G) or Fresh Fruit



On the side...

Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...

(v) Pancakes with Fruit (G D E) or Fresh Fruit

FRIDAY

On the side...

Fresh Salad Bar
Peas or Baked Beans

For dessert...

(v)(h) 'School Favourite' Sprinkles
Sponge Cake (G.E.) or Fresh Fruit

Educaterers' New Menu

Next week is Week 3. For families who pay for meals, the cost is now £2.66 per day.

Free School Meals

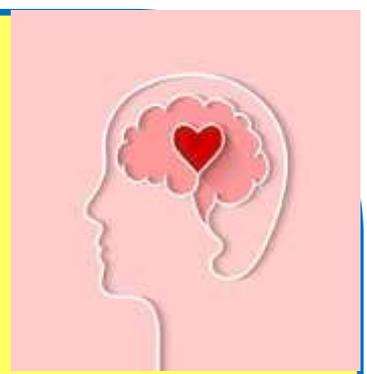
If you think that you may be eligible for free school meals applications can be made online at <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals>



Mrs. Manley and Mrs Hendriksen are happy to help with FSM applications, please ask if you require assistance.

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Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health



We place mental health and wellbeing at the centre of everything we do.

By taking the stigma away from talking about mental health, we want all pupils and staff to know they can ask for help whenever they need it.



Awareness means that staff and pupils are educated in mental health and wellbeing.

Support is about having different avenues of support for everybody

Kindness means that wellbeing runs through everything we do, from being kind to ourselves and each other and by actively promoting wellbeing

These logos represent some of the partners with whom we work to ensure that our we are maximising opportunities to support the positive mental health on all of our young people.



All schools in England must have a Designated Senior Mental Health Lead who has been trained in understanding Mental Health and supporting children, families and staff. Mrs. Manley is our school Senior Mental Health Lead.



Mrs. Manley can support families in identifying early indicators of poor mental health and to respond promptly by implementing a range of support strategies both at home and school.

Please speak to the school office if you would like to arrange to meet with Mrs. Manley to discuss any aspect of your child's mental health.

Lighthorne Heath Learning Heroes

All of our fabulous children and staff have been nominated as Lighthorne Heath Heroes this week.

Everybody has made a wonderful start to the new school year. We have spotted many children demonstrating kindness and care towards one another, so many children demonstrating the skills needed to be an effective learner and lots of smiles and laughter has been heard.

We are looking forward to continuing the year as positively as it has started.



Have a go



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Be curious!



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Use your imagination



My favourite learning character is the frog who reminds us to keep improving. I use this a lot in art as often my first attempt is not my final one.

By Deedee

Our learning characters remind us what we need to do to learn. We talk about them in most lessons and use them to identify what we do well and what we need to get better at.

By TJ

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School admissions



Warwickshire County Council

If you have a child who is due to start Reception or Year 7 next September, you need to apply for their school place. Applications can be made via the Warwickshire School Admissions Service. Visit their website for more information <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/school-admissions-appeals>

Applying for a primary school place



Applying for a secondary school place

