



Holi is a Hindu festival of colour, love and spring.



Thank you to all of the families who joined us on Tuesday afternoon to join in with our Holi celebrations. The day was such fun!

The children all took part in a dance workshop led by Kalpesh and learned a Bollywood dance routine. The children were also taught a meditation technique to help cool their bodies down and to give them some reflection time.

All of the children joined in enthusiastically and really enjoyed learning about the traditional music and colour dance used in this celebration of Spring.

We celebrated Holi this year to support our learning about a variety of religions and religious celebrations. Mrs Hartley is working towards our Quality Mark in RE and this evidence will help to demonstrate our hard work in this area of the curriculum.



There are a number of mythological stories around the festival of Holi



Holi celebrates the arrival of spring, the end of winter, the blossoming of love



Holi is a festive day to meet others, dance, play and laugh, forget and forgive.



Most stories associated with Holi focus on the message that good wins over evil



The main day of *Holi* starts early and is filled with drum beats, coloured powder, and fun activities.





Holi is the only festival where people wear their oldest clothes because getting the Holi colour out in the wash is a difficult task. Recently people have started to wear white clothes so that the colours of Holi stand out in photographs.



The colours people used long ago for the celebration were derived from flowers and herbs.



This festival has reference in numerous paintings, mural and other artworks in the temples of India.



During the festivities, people often throw colour at strangers on the street.



Design a Future Garden.

Science Week competition 2023

WINNERS!



Several weeks ago, Mrs Hill launched a competition for children to design a sustainable garden as part of our Science Week Celebrations. We were delighted to see so many families and children join in with this task.

Our friends at Barratt Homes selected a winner from each class. This was based on children's design and what they wrote about their consideration of the aesthetics, different uses for potential visitors to the garden, sustainability factors and how their garden would attract wildlife.

Congratulations to Isla, Stefan, April and Lola for their winning gardens.





The second of our two science themed family learning sessions took place on Tuesday. Our families enjoyed exploring magnetic materials, they found out about forces and gravity with tubes and balls and explored textures of different materials by creating wax rubbings with a variety of objects. Thank you to Jan from Warwickshire learning and Emma Hills from Trust Green for organising and supporting this experience.



Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health



Everybody at school has been delighted to see the weather improve this week. Spring is certainly in the air and what better way to boost your emotional wellbeing than to do some outdoor activities?

One wonderful spring and summer activity to boost your mental health and emotional wellbeing is gardening. Studies have proved that gardening (this can include outdoor gardening, window boxes as well as the caring for indoor plants) promotes social relationships and family connection, emotional and mental wellbeing, reduces stress and anxiety and improves cognitive and educational outcomes in children.

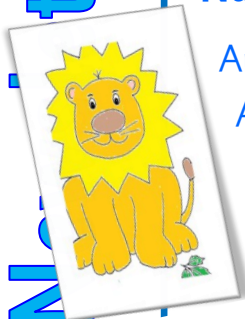
Children can begin gardening at any age and can join their parents in digging, planting bulbs, seeds and young plants, helping to push the wheelbarrow, watering crops, adding weeds to the compost and harvesting home grown veggies!



Lighthorne Heath Learning Heroes

Nursery and Reception

Autumn is our class hero this week for her amazing manners. Autumn often can be heard thanking other children and the adults. She really enjoyed our Holi dance workshop and had a great go at following some of the movements. Well done Autumn!



Co-operate



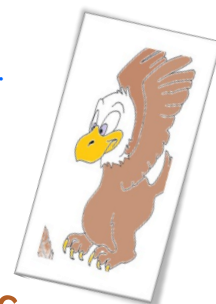
Have a go

Year 1/2

Mrs Munday and Mrs Hill have selected Mimi as their Hero this week. Mimi has shown a wonderful attitude towards her learning challenges. She has shown great perseverance and has been a wonderful learning partner.



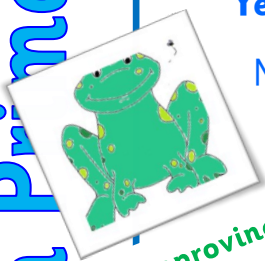
Persevere



Concentrate

Year 3/4

Miss Singh has chosen Aashna as this week's hero for making a marvellous start at Lighthorne Heath Primary School. She has shown lots of kindness, an excellent attitude towards learning and has joined in with all the learning. Keep up the great work!



Keep on improving



Year 5/6

Mrs Cox has chosen Mrs Thorneywork as her hero this week. Mrs Thorneywork comes to school every day with a smile on her face and works hard to support every child in Years 5 and 6 as well as other classes. We couldn't do without her.



Use your imagination



Enjoy learn-

Diary Dates

Spring Term	
Thursday 30 th March	Family Easter egg bingo after school 
Friday 31 March	School breaks up for the Easter Holiday Mufti Day
Monday 3 April 2023 to Friday 14 April 2023	Easter Holidays

Super Star Reading!

Our Reading superstar this week is Niamh

Congratulations., Niamh

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

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SWIMMING

Our families may be aware that we currently take our Key Stage Two children swimming as part of their PE curriculum.

Children enjoy their swimming lessons with school and these are designed to support children develop their swimming capabilities rather than to be a child's sole opportunity to learn to swim. Children can only become confident swimmers with regular visits to the pool.

We are fortunate that there are a number of council owned pools locally (run by Everyone Active) and these include Southam Leisure Centre, St Nicolas Park and Newbold Comyn. These offer family swim sessions and private lessons. A number of private swimming lesson options are also available locally and these include Mad Fish (at Wellesbourne Primary School), Swim in a Tin (at Squab Hall) and Warwick Swim School (at Warwick Boys School). Most take children from around age 5.

Swimming could save a child's life. Drowning is the second-biggest cause of accidental death of children aged 1-14 years old in the country, meaning it is vital that your child knows how to react should they find themselves in trouble in the water. Starting swimming lessons will help your child to become as strong a swimmer as possible and give them the best chance of survival should a potential tragedy occur.



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SWIM CRASH COURSES

AT YOUR LOCAL EVERYONE ACTIVE CENTRE

Week 1 Mon 3rd – Fri 7th April or Week 2 Monday 10th – Friday 14th April
5 x 30minute lessons £36.50

09:00 – Stage 1 Skills (Full time education with no prior experience & exceptionally nervous)

09:30 – Stage 2 Skills (Full time education with no prior experience)

10:00 – Stage 3 Skills (completed stage 2 / can swim 5m front & back)

10:30 – Stage 4 /5 Skills (completed stage 3 can swim 10m front & back / completed stage 4 can swim 20m front & back can swim underwater and tread water)

To book your place call: 01926 817788

Speak to the team at your nearest Everyone Active centre
for more information or to book your child's space today!

MAKE A SPLASH WITH **EVERYONE**

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School Attendance:

All parents have a legal duty to ensure that their child receives an education suitable to their age and ability.

Most parents fulfil their legal obligation by registering their child in a school.

Regular attendance at school is good for children. It helps their social development, health, and mental wellbeing. Pupils who attend school regularly improve their chances of being academically successful.

Poor attendance can have an adverse impact on friendship groups, self-confidence, resilience, and social, emotional and mental health. It can have a damaging effect on a child's education and most work missed during an absence may never effectively be made up. There is a proven link between poor school attendance and low levels of achievement.

A pupil with attendance below 90% is classed as persistently absent, even if the absence has been authorised.

Please make sure that your child attends school every day. Absences can only be authorised if a child has an illness that is infectious to other people (such as sickness and diarrhoea, chicken pox etc.) or has an urgent medical appointment. Please bear in mind that minor ailments (such as headaches, sore throat or tiredness) usually feel much better if a child continues their normal routine— we would always call parents if a child needed to be collected during the school day. Similarly, non urgent medical appointments such as routine dentist should be made for after school or holiday times.

If your child (all year groups, Nursery to Year 6) is going to be absent from school it is important that the school office are informed (by email on admin2064@welearn365.com) or telephone (01926 640326) no later than 9.30 am on each day of absence. Failure to notify the school raises safety concerns about the absent child and causes additional work to investigate by the school office.

Attendance Matters





SUPPORTED BY:

**Warwickshire
County Council**

HAF (Holiday, Activities and Food) Club is a food programme run by Warwickshire County Council for families whose children are in receipt of benefits-tested free school meals.

This Easter, the Museum is running activities from 10am to 3pm on the following dates:

- Tuesday 4 April
- Wednesday 5 April
- Thursday 6 April
- Tuesday 11 April
- Wednesday 12 April
- Thursday 13 April



Each day will consist of several activities, including STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths) topics, crafts, drawing and physical activities.

All children aged 7-12 are welcome, and we can welcome sibling groups, even if one child is over 12 years old. The club has a maximum of 10-15 places available, depending on the subject, and needs to fill a minimum of 5 places each day in order to run. We will inform you well in advance if the day is not going ahead.

Please email us at community@britishmotormuseum.co.uk and include the number of children and ages.

We will email you back with a link to a form where you can book your children into the club.

If you have any questions please email us at the email address above or give us a call on 01926 895238 - Mon to Fri 9am to 4pm.

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Article 31: Leisure, play and culture



THE KING'S CORONATION CELEBRATION LUNCH

Friday 5th May 2023



GREAT BRITISH FISH & CHIPS

or

(vg) **BREADED
VEGETABLE FINGERS**



Chips

Garden Peas

Baked Beans

ICED CELEBRATION CAKE

or

ICE CREAM

RUGBY CAMP 2023

TRAIN LIKE A PRO



BOOK: www.warwickschool.org/rugbycamp

The Warwick Rugby Camp is back for Easter including new skill blocks, new age groups and a girl's camp.
ALL ABILITIES WELCOME!

APRIL 2023

MON 3RD

**GIRLS
Y6-8**

TUES 4TH - THURS 6TH

**BOYS
Y5/6**

TUES 11TH - THURS 13TH

**BOYS
Y7/8**

For more information, call 01926 77 64 66 or
email sportscentre@warwickschools.co.uk