

Super Star Readers!

To promote our love of reading for pleasure at Lighthorne Heath, we are celebrating our fantastic home readers. Regular reading at home is one of the most valuable things you can do to support your child's progress. Each Friday, as part of celebration assembly, a superstar reader will be selected to take home our reading sack. The sack contains a story-loving furry companion, hot chocolate, biscuits and an age appropriate story to be enjoyed over the weekend. Every child who has had their reading diary signed at least 3 times during the week, will be eligible to be selected to receive the reading sack. We were delighted to award our reading star sack to **Aaron** last week to celebrate all the valuable home reading that takes place outside of school. This week's Super Star Reader is **Jessica**. Keep recording your reading in your diary and it could be you next week!

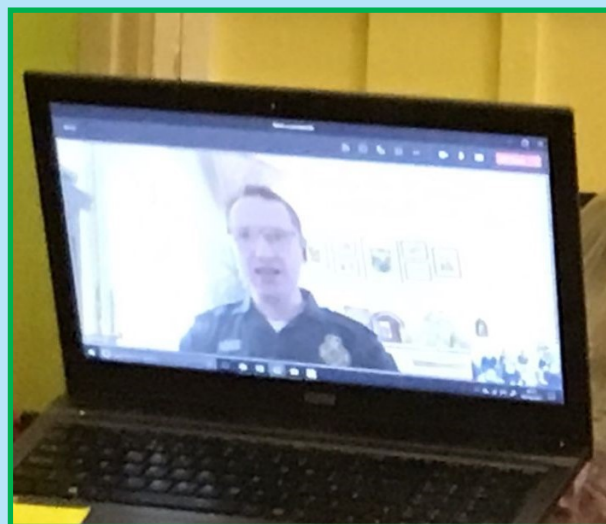


Nursery and Reception Me and my community

This week, as part of our topic 'Me and My Community', we have been finding out about people who help us in the community. We enjoyed spending time with Police Youth Engagement Officer, Robbie Williams, who spent time talking to us about his job. He showed us the tools that help him do his job and let everyone try on some real police uniform. We also had a Microsoft Teams chat with a paramedic called Joseph Hill, who showed us his uniform and spent time talking about his job. A big thank you to Robbie and Joseph for their time!



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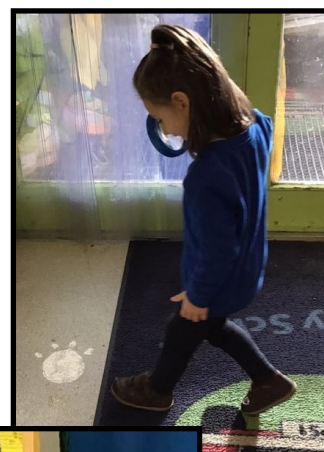


Looking at Learning

Nursery and Reception CRIME SCENE!

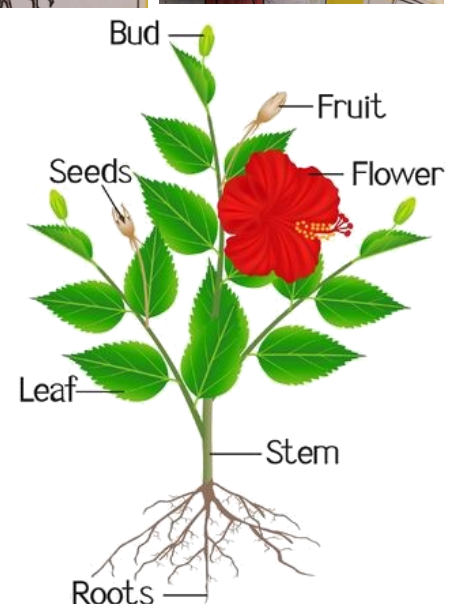
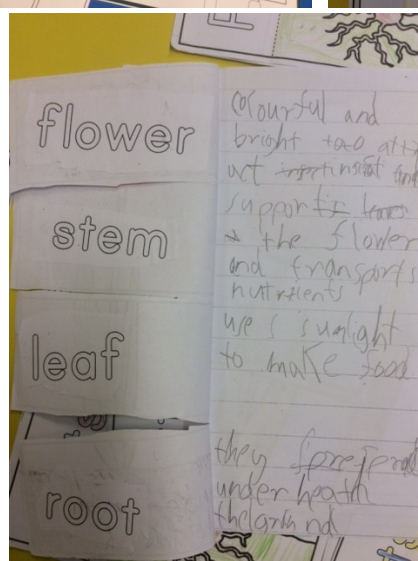
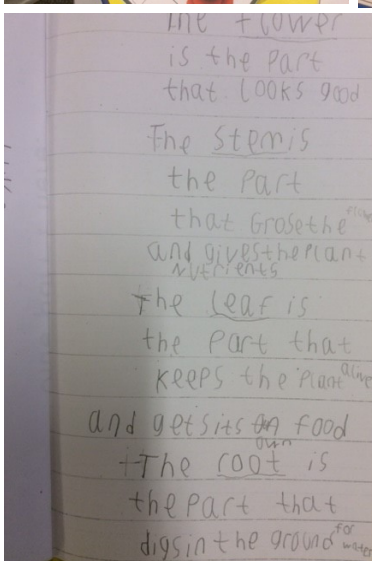
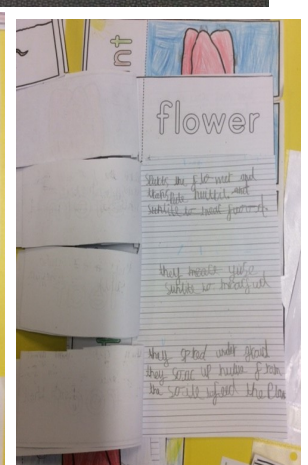
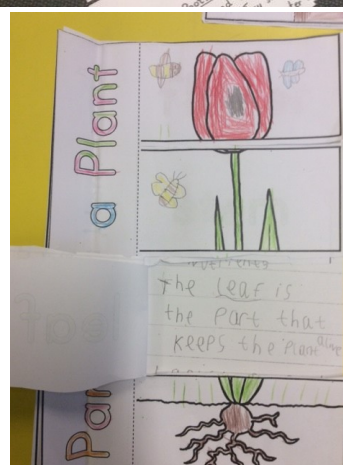
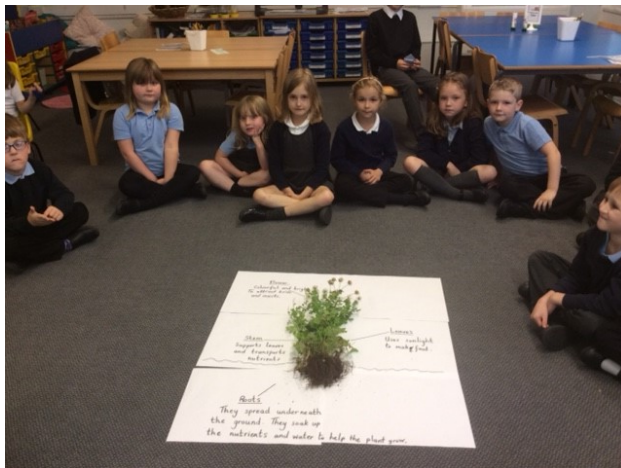
We arrived at school one morning to a shocking crime scene!

Someone had been into our classroom and drunk our milk, eaten our fruit and cereal and left a terrible mess! The children helped to gather evidence to give to the police. We swabbed the milk cup for DNA, put a paw print left in some play dough into an evidence bag and took some photographic evidence. We were also able to use our phonics to decode a message left on the whiteboard and the other evidence to work out that a hungry bear had stopped off for a snack. The police have assured us it won't happen again and that he is a friendly bear. Just to make sure the children have made signs warning the bear to stay away.



Year 1/2/3 Enchanted Woodland

This week we have been learning about plants. We looked closely at a common plant found in the school garden. We identified the basic structure and labelled each part; **root**, **stem**, **leaf** and **flower**. We learned that leaves make their own food using the sun, the process of **photosynthesis**. We looked closely at the tiny hairs on the roots of the plant and found out that these help soak up the **nutrients** from the soil as well as helping support the plant as it grows. We made our own plant, flap books to record what we had learned.



Year 1 Science National Curriculum Programme of Study

- identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees

Year 3 Science National Curriculum Programme of Study

- identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves & flowers

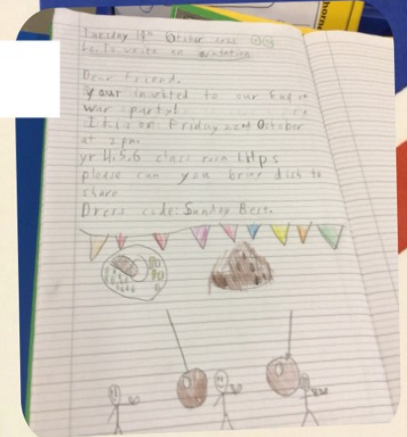
Year 4/5/6

A Child's War

Our 'Innovate Board' has us planning for an end of war party. We began by listening to the radio recording of Winston Churchill declaring the surrender of Germany and looked at how the people of Great Britain responded to the news. We are planning a war inspired party for the end of the week, complete with home-made cloth bunting (Make do and mend style) and carefully chosen food to fit in with our knowledge of rationing.

W/C 18th October 2021

LO: TO PLAN AN END OF WAR PARTY



To mark the end of the war people threw street parties. We chose to do the same for the end of our topic. We planned what we would need and started to work on invitations, decorations and everything else needed to make a party a success. To keep in the spirit of WW2 we made decorations from used clothes and are planning our party menu with rationing in mind.



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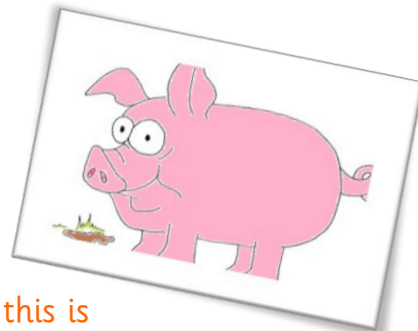
Lighthorne Heath Learning Heroes

Nursery and Reception

Mrs Manley and Mrs Hartley have chosen John as their class hero this week. John really enjoyed speaking with our visitors and had interesting questions to politely ask. He has also developed a positive attitude to having a go at all learning and this is starting to show in his phonic knowledge and letter formation.



Co-operate



Have a go



Persevere

Year 1/2/3

This week Mrs Munday and Mrs Hill have nominated Blake as their hero. Blake has really enjoyed our class stories this half term 'Hansel and Gretel' and 'Little Red.' He is often keen to share and talk about them with the adults in the class.

This week Blake created his own story plan and worked really hard, using his imagination to think of new ideas to change certain parts of the 'Little Red' story. He also made his own 'Little Red' puppet to help retell the story events. Well done Blake, for your super story ideas!



Concentrate



Be curious

Year 4/5/6

Mrs Cox's Lighthorne Heroes this week is Demii. She has worked hard this week, having a go and not giving up in all lessons. She has also shown Mrs Cox her fantastic manners every morning during registration where she never forgets to say please and thank you. Keep up the great work Demii.



Keep on improving



Use your imagination



Enjoy learning

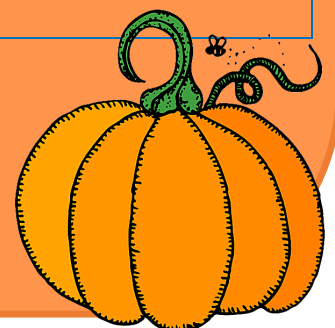


Other Information

Monday 11th October	Deadline for parents and carers to book Parents' Evening appointments
Wednesday 13th October	Parents Evening links to Microsoft Teams meetings will be emailed out
Tuesday 19th October 2021	Parent Conferencing Evening on Microsoft Teams
Wednesday 20th October 2021	Parent Conferencing Evening on Microsoft Teams
Friday 22nd October	MUFTI (non uniform) Day—bring 50p to wear your own choice of clothes to school. All donations to School Fund.
Monday 25th October—Friday 29th October school closed for half-term holiday.	
School re-opens on Monday 1st November	
Thursday 11th November 2021	Individual Pupil Photographs
Thursday 25th November 2021	Year 2 and Year 3 Theatre Trip to The Belgrade to see 'Beauty and the Beast' pantomime 10.15am
Friday 26th November 2021	MUFTI (non uniform) Day—bring 50p to wear your own choice of clothes to school. All donations to School Fund.
Wednesday 8th December 2021	Whole School Silent Disco (details to follow soon)
Thursday 9th December 2021	Whole School Christmas Performance 'Supersonic Lamb' and refreshments 2.00pm
Monday 13th December 2021	Christmas Dinner
Tuesday 14th December 2021	Year 5 and 6 Theatre Visit to the Royal Shakespeare Company to see 'The Magician's Elephant' at 7.15pm
Thursday 16th December 2021	Nursery, Reception and Year 1 Visit to Warwick Arts Centre to see 'The Very Hungry Christmas Caterpillar' at 1.30pm
Friday 17th December 2021	MUFTI Day—bring 50p to wear a festive outfit.
Friday 17th December 2021	Break up for Christmas Holidays
Monday 20th December—Friday 31st December School Closed for Christmas holiday	
Monday 3rd January 2022 school closed for Bank Holiday	
Tuesday 4th January 2022 school closed for in-service (teacher) training	
School re-opens on Wednesday 5th January 2022	
Thursday 10th March 2022	School Nurse Annual Health Needs Assessment Year 6
Thursday 10th March 2022	School Nurse National Child Measurement Programme Year 6 and Reception

Have a lovely half-term break!

With best wishes from Mrs Westwood and all the staff at Lighthorne Heath.



LATENESS

What this means for your child...

Bad start to the day
Missed Information
Different from Peers
Am I in Trouble?
Feel Responsible

Confusion
Anxiety
Worry
Upset
Embarrassment



**BE SURE TO GET INTO
SCHOOL ON TIME!**

**Our school day starts at
8.55am**

- * 5 minutes lateness per day = up to 1 whole DAY missed every TERM.
- * 15 minutes lateness per day = 2 whole WEEKS missed every YEAR.
- * 50 minutes late once a week = 1 whole DAY missed EVERY HALF Term
- * 50 minutes late ONCE a week = 1 whole WEEK missed every YEAR.
- * 50 minutes late every week = 90% attendance over a year.

Other Information

Free Cycle Training



BikeRight will be running free cycle training sessions at Stratford Recreation Ground for Warwickshire children, including:

- **Learn to Ride** for non-riders or those on stabilisers (minimum age 6)
- **Level 2 Bikeability** for riders in years 5 and 6
- **Level 3 Bikeability** for experienced riders in year 6

Please use the link below for more information and to book:

<https://www.bikeright.co.uk/sponsors/warwickshire/>



MHST tips for wellness

Change

This week's theme is Change.

Change is a natural part of life! We are changing all the time. Changes can make us feel happy or excited. But some changes can also be challenging and make us feel worried. Some good questions to ask yourself when you are worried about a change might be "what am I worried about?" and "can I do something about it?"

Try one, or both, of the below activities throughout this week.

1) Do you have any changes coming up that are causing some worries? Try to write them down and put them under 2 headings: 'What can I change?' and 'What can I not change?' If you have no control over the coming change, you can focus on accepting that it will happen.

2) Sometimes it helps to talk to someone. Think about the changes you are going through or will be going through. Is there someone you can talk to about this? Maybe a teacher or family member? Sometimes we don't need advice, and just want to let something out. If this applies to you, try writing down your thoughts. You can either share these with someone you trust, or rip up the paper and throw it away.

The Mental Health in Schools Team provides support to students and schools. We are available during term time and school holidays. Please contact your school's Mental Health Lead, or your Education Mental Health Practitioner for information and advice.

Useful dates for October:
International Walk to School Month

RISE & Shine Fest

A festival for emotional wellbeing
for children and young people across
Coventry and Warwickshire

- Animal fun with the Horse and People Project
- Mindfulness work-outs
- Twitter take-overs
- Library Events
- Help and advice for young people
- Support for parents and carers



Click on the below link:

<https://cwrise.com/rise-shine-fest>
to see the full Festival Programme

October Half-Term
25th - 30th October 2021



Peer support groups for Warwickshire Parents/Carers of young people who **self-harm**

You are not alone in how you feel.
Please get in touch for support.

This free service aims to:

- Bring people together who are looking after a young person who self-harms, and support each other in an informal setting.
- Provide a safe space where individuals feel understood and supported.
- Support parents understanding, and support their child.
- Offer support, self-care, and signposting information.



Please note this group is unsuitable to bring children to.

For further details please contact us:

Email: SPPARK@Kaleidoscopeplus.org.uk
Call: 07970040016



UN Convention on the Rights of the Child

Article 24: Health and Health Services

Christmas



Reception and Year 1

The Very Hungry Christmas Caterpillar

At Warwick Arts Centre

On Thursday 16th December at 1.30pm

Children will eat their lunch at school and then travel by coach to Warwick Arts Centre. The children should be back in school by the end of the school day at 3pm.

The cost of this visit is £12.95 per child

Please note that school is significantly subsidising the cost of the trip and meeting the costs for all adults. Payment can be made in instalments via Parent Pay.



Years 4, 5 and 6

The Magician's Elephant

At the Royal Shakespeare Company

On Tuesday 14th December at 7.15pm

Children will go home at the end of the school day for their dinner and then return to school at 5.45pm, for departure by coach to Stratford-upon-Avon. The show will finish late (approximately 10pm) so children will be allowed to come into school a little later on 15th (details to follow nearer the time).

The cost of this visit is £16.50 per child

Please note that school is significantly subsidising the cost of the trip and meeting the costs for all adults. Payment can be made in instalments via Parent Pay.



Christmas

Years 2 and 3

Beauty and the Beast

At The Belgrade Theatre

This year The Belgrade presents the enchanting tale of **Beauty and the Beast**. One of the most popular panto titles ever, this long awaited production will be extra special and guaranteed to bring a touch of magic, mayhem and monstrous fun to your festive celebrations.

Things are looking bleak for beautiful Belle! Kidnapped by the beast, she is locked away in a castle with little hope of escape. But unbeknownst to her, the beast is actually a handsome prince under the curse of an evil enchantress. Only by changing his selfish ways and finding true love can he ever hope to break the spell.

Will the Beast change his ways in time? And will Belle ever get back home? There's only one way to find out!

On Thursday 25th November at 10.15am

Children will travel to Coventry by coach, and have a slightly later packed lunch (snacks will be provided at the theatre by school). The children will be back in school by the end of the school day at 3pm.



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