

Newsletter 17 Friday 17th January 2020



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Eco-Schools

Morning Routines

I would like to improve how our days start off and so will be making a few minor changes.

- Breakfast Club children will be brought outside to line up with the others for our 08.55 start, when all children will be brought in by their respective class teachers.
- I will **ring a bell** outside as a signal to line up. You as parents are encouraged to leave at this point so that the teachers can assume control.
- **Reception children** should line up in front playground with the other children. Nursery children should continue to use the side gate into the classroom as they do now where they will be met by Mrs Stafford who will help settle them.
- Children wanting to eat a Breakfast in school should please arrive by 08.40 to give staff sufficient time to serve them and to tidy up the hall.

Polite Notice

Please note that the entrance hall is often a space where people need to have confidential and sometimes difficult conversations with members of staff. This is often difficult when there are a lot of people sat in there at the beginning and end of the day. Please try to use the space only when you need to.

Communication with the office

It can often be hard to get hold of Mrs Hendriksen or your child's teacher at busy times of day. Please remember that email is a great way to send messages to so that you don't have to wait around or phone up. Please email: admin2064@welearn365.com











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Homework

We would like to have a homework push over this next term. We are running two in-school clubs to assist children with homework tasks and would encourage children to attend. We are keen for the quality of homework to be improved and so will be giving set tasks extra focus and specifically rewarding excellent effort.

Nurture Groups

The Parents of children attending our first wave of nurture group Interventions have all been informed and the groups have begun on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. The children who have been selected are those who would benefit from activities intended to improve their communication skills, empathy and self esteem. The programmes are intended to run for 6 weeks.

Reading in Class

Reading is at the heart of your child's learning. It needs daily practice and encouragement. We would like to invite all parents/carers into our classes each Friday morning for 10 minutes at the beginning of the day to read with your child and to discuss any issues with your child's teacher.

ICT at LHPS

I am delighted to inform you that we are shortly getting 20 new laptops for the children to use to replace obsolete computers and each class will have the use of a new tablet too. I have exciting ideas how we can move forward with this improved technology to improve the children's learning and our communication with you as parents.

Jacquie Birch Associate Head Teacher









Diary Dates

Monday 20th January — Eco initiative — Switch off Fortnight

Wednesday 29th January—Road Safety Visit.
Wednesday 29th January—KS2—'Boy in a Dress'
Theatre Visit.

Friday 31st January —School closed INSET training.
Friday 14th February—Sharing afternoon in Classes/
Break up for half term

Monday 24th February—Return to school. Thursday 27th February-Whole School- Cadbury's World Trip.

Thursday 5th March—World Book Day.
Tuesday 31st March—Parents' Evening 1
Thursday 2nd March - Parents' Evening 2
Friday 3rd April— Break up for Easter.
Monday 20th April— School closed INSET
Tuesday 21st April—Return to school.



Mad Science Assembly

On Monday, we were visited by Mad Science for a special assembly. Mad Science are the world leaders in science enrichment programmes.

They made a fabulous impact showing the children science at its exciting best! There were 'tricks', special effects and huge impact. The children loved it!











Mad Science has offered a variety of learning opportunities one of which includes providing us with an after school club which they would run, on a **Thursday** packed full of fabulous and practical science experiments.

The club would run for an hour after school, from 23rd January and would be at a cost of £7.50 per child for a six week programme.

We are also offered a one off half day science workshop at a cost of £3.00 per child.

If you are interested in your child participating in either of these events, please would you let Mrs Hendriksen in the office know so we can collate numbers to see if it is viable. We need 15 children to sign up.









Bronze Award



Congratulations to all of this week's Lighthorne Heath Heroes and of course our Smiler! 
