Lane End Primary School Newsletter

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Could we slowly be heading back to 'normal'?

Time is speeding by, and we are approaching the final half term of this 'far from usual' school year. We would once again like to thank you all for supporting school in the COVID safe arrangements we have had to put in place, and I am sure we are all hopeful that we will soon be able to get back to some kind of 'normal'.

We continue to follow the Leeds City Council's Health and Safety Team's guidance on matters related to schools, and as we have updates on safe changes we can make—such as those related to school drop off and pick up times—we will let you know.

Hope you are all well and safe

Herd Farm Residential Trip Parents Information Meeting

We are glad to share with you that the 2 planned residential trips to Herd Farm will be now going ahead!

HURRAY!

Next year's Year 6 children will be going on: Wednesday 15th - Friday 17th September 2021 (as they were unable to go in last year)

Next year's Year 5 children will be going on: Wednesday 22nd—Friday 24th September 2021.

Tony Edwards, the Herd Farm centre manager, has been in contact with school and will be delighted to hold a parent information session as he has done previously. This will probably by via a virtual Teams Meeting. As soon as we have set a date and time for this, we will let you know.

A link will be sent via email and text to all parents this involves.

This is so that both children and parents can get an idea of the centre that they will be staying at, some of the activities they will be getting up to, and what they will need to start preparing to pack.

It will be a chance to think about any further questions that you might want to ask also—which we might be able to do as part of the meeting, or we can collect them all, send onto Tony, and get the information back to you.

If you are new to school, and do not know anything about the trip—don't worry, we will make sure you get a pack of all the information about the trip — including the cost. We will also give payment and trip costs updates to all families too.

PE KIT

Children in Year 1 and upwards will need to come into school in full outdoor PE kit, on the days their class has PE. This means jogging bottoms and top, t-shirt and trainers.

AFTER THE MAY SPRING BANK HALF TERM BREAK THE DAYS WILL BE:

Year 1a Silver Birch—Thursday
Year 1b Elm—Thursday
Year 2a Aspen—Friday
Year 2b Hawthorn—Monday
Year 3— Monday



Year 4a Hazel will have ***one more swimming session on Thursday 10th June*** as they missed a slot, then will need to come to school in ***outdoor PE kit on a Mondays after*** that—from ***Monday 14th June onwards***

4b Cherry class will be going swimming on a ***Thursday mornings from Thursday 17th*** June onwards. They need to come to school with their swimming kit on underneath their outdoor PE kits and bring a towel and underwear in a bag to change into after swimming. ***On Thursday 10th June, they can come to school in outdoor PE as normal.***

Year 5— Wednesday
Year 6 —Tuesday

Important dates coming up....



These are the dates and events that we know at the moment—we will let you know as other events are booked or arranged. Some classes will send out separate information about trip, visits or visitors.

Thursday 27th May 2021—school closes at 3:00/3:15 for half term

Friday 28th May—school is closed for a training day

Monday 7th June 2021—school re-opens at 8:45/9:00

Friday 23rd July 2021— school closes for the summer holidays 3:00/3:15

Mon 26th and Tues 27th July—schools are closed for training days

As last year, we are unable to hold a Sports Day where families come along and watch the fun. The children will be doing some in-school physical challenges and competitions and we will share pictures on the website after these have happened for you to enjoy.

A LANDMARK MOMENT...



Our wonderful Year 6 children (the first Lane End Year 6 children ever!!) will be leaving us at the end of July, and are starting to get ready for their next new adventure..... starting secondary school in September.

The Year 6 staff team are planning some leavers events (some of which we are just checking we can ensure are COVID safe) and as soon as we have things finalised, we will let both parents and children know.



A very big thank you to all parents and carers that managed to make and attend the virtual parents meetings this month—through a video call using the Teachers 2 Parents app. This 'new' safer way of communicating with parents is still very new and strange for us all—so thank you for your patience, especially when technical difficulties added to the challenges!

The Pastoral Team will try to contact all parents that made an appointment but were not able to attend so that we can check if it was a technical issue that was the barrier to the meeting taking place. If it was, we will try to offer you another way of chatting to your child's class teacher instead—such as a phone call.

Your child's annual school report will be coming out to you later in the Summer term too, and more information about that will follow.