# Lane End Primary School Newsletter

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## Welcome Back (finally!)

**It was so wonderful to see all the children back in school from last week—although it has been in very unusual circumstances! Can I say a very big thank you for your support, help and understanding in making the school drop off and pick up systems as safe as we can make it. To the parents that have had chance to say thank you for our efforts—it means the world! Thank you. If you do have any worries or questions, please let the school office know and we will contact you as soon as we can. This is a strange and ever changing time for all of us—thank you for your patience and support.**

## Contacting teachers



Putting in place social distancing measures and wearing masks means that school drop off and pick up times feel very different to our 'normal' arrangements. It does mean we cannot chat to parents as we usually would have done—as we need to minimise contacts, to keep you and the staff as safe as possible. If you do need to get a message to a teacher—the safest and best way is to text, ring the office or email the class email accounts and the teacher will get back to as soon as they can.

Please don't think we are being impolite—please be reassured we need to do this, for safety.

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## 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.

**Tuesday 22nd September**—Rowan Class trip
**Wednesday 23rd September**—Maple Class trip

**Half term break:**
**Friday 23rd October** school closes at 3:15pm
School re-opens on **WEDNESDAY 4th November** at 8:45 as there are 2 training Days.
School is closed on:
**Monday 2nd November**
**Tuesday 3rd November**

**Wednesday 4th November—**Individual School Photos (no family group photos this time)
No school disco this term sadly

**Friday 4th December**—Leeds NHS Immunisation Health team in school

**Friday 18th December 2020**— school closes at 3:15pm for the Christmas break

**Monday 4th January 2021** - school re-opens 8:45am
We will update you later, as we know more, about how we can organise and arrange parent consultations this term also.

**Let's Get Physical....**

As you will have read from the school website and texts, 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. This is something schools have been asked to do, as part of the overall safety measures.

Year 1 - Tuesdays
Year 2—Tuesdays
Year 3—Mondays and Tuesdays
Year 4—Wednesdays and Fridays
Year 5—Thursday and Friday
Year 6—Mondays and Thursdays



**Swimming in Year 4**

We are still waiting for the sports centre to give us permission to start swimming lessons for our Year 4 children. As we have our own transport, we are hoping they will give us our lesson slot back sooner rather than later, as we don't need the local authority to provide safe travel to the pool, but we will keep you updated!

## Home Reading Books



Thank you to all those families that have already returned school reading books to school that they had at home. If you haven't had chance to do that yet, please could you send all books back to school, with your child as soon as you can.

Starting next week (from 21st September) reading books will be sent home with your child, to share and enjoy at home. They will only be sent home and changed once a week for the foreseeable future as we have to ensure the returned books are kept safe in school for 48 hours before they are shared with other children.

# Keeping Safe at School

***We know there has been lots of information given to you, both before and since school re-opened. Below are the headlines again for you.***

***We know things keep changing slightly—we are doing this as we see and review how things are working in practice, and try to make changes to make it as safe for you all as possible.***

- Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 children MUST be at school and in class lines for 8:45. If they do not arrive on time, you will have to wait with them until staff are free and school corridors are clear to take them into the building. If you are on site with older children and have younger children to drop off too, please wait in the playground but keep well back from the barriers, and space yourselves out in the playground until the younger children are called in.
- Reception, Y1 and Y2 children need to be in school and to classroom doors for 9:00. Please wait outside the school site unless you have to go in with older children.
- This helps us to keep class and year group bubbles separate as they move around school to cloakrooms, and classrooms.
- The one way system in and out of the school gate helps us to avoid crowds of parents on the pavement or on the playground paths - please support this as we need every-one to stay at least 1 –2 metres apart from other families whenever possible.
- Please wear a mask, unless you are medically unable to do so, when on site at all times.
- If you need to go into the school office, please wait until all the children have been tak-en into school and then there will be a socially distanced queuing system.
- All children need to bring in, and then take home again, their own water bottle each day.
- If your child is ill—please keep them off school, and let the office know. If you think they may have the COVID symptoms (temperature, constant new cough and loss of taste and smell) please let the office know and contact NHS 119 for advice as to what to do next. To book an online test you can also go on line at www.nhs.uk/coronavirus
- If your child becomes ill at school, we will contact you straight away to come and col-lect them. We will keep them safe in the school medical room until you arrive. PLEASE keep your mobile phone details up to date with the office.
- If you, or any member of your household has tested positive for COVID, please let school know immediately as we need to speak to the health and safety team for ad-vice.
- If anyone in a class or year group bubble is confirmed as having COVID, that bubble will be closed and all the children in that class will need to stay at home for 2 weeks, to self isolate. You will be notified by school immediately if this every needs to happen.