Lane End Primary School Newsletter

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World Book Day

Here at Lane End, we LOVE to read, and so we really enjoy World Book day every year, especially as this is Leeds City Council's year of Reading too.

On Thursday 5th March, we will have lots of exciting reading events going on in school, including our 'Stop Everything and Read', and the incredible, amazing Lane End Poetry Slam competition. If you would like to dress up as your favourite book character for the day, you can. It doesn't have to be fancy—some book characters just wear everyday clothes.

We need your help

We found out this week that a project idea we sent to the Tesco 'Bags of Help' scheme has been put forward to go into their stores. In April, May and June, customers can vote which project idea should get the £1000 award! Our project idea was about 'Growing Healthy Minds and Bodies'. We asked for the money to go towards buying large polytunnels and gardening equipment that we can use in our wildlife area garden. This will help us to grow our own food, which we can then use in our cooking lessons.

So… this is where you can help. The blue token voting stations are going to be in lots of Tesco stores across Leeds in April, May and June, including the Tesco Express on Dewsbury Road, and many in the city centre. When you are out and about, and happen to be in a Tesco store—see if you can vote for our project.

Fingers crossed—we will let you know if we are awarded the money.



Important dates coming up….



Thursday 5th March 2020 —World Book Day
Children are welcome to come to school dressed up as their favourite book characters for the day. Please remember it is still quite cold outside—for playtimes and lunchtimes.

9th—13th March 2020 —Science Week in school

Y5 Herd Farm Payments due to be paid by **3rd April 2020**

Friday 3rd April—2020 school closes at 3:15 for the 2 week Easter break
Monday 20th April 2020 —school re-opens for all children

Throughout May 2020—Year 2 children will be completing KS1 Statutory Assessment tasks (KS1 SATs)

Friday 22nd May 2020 —school closes at 3:15 for the half term break
Monday 1st June 2020 —school re-opens for all children

8th June— 12th June 2020 - Phonics Screening Check for Y1 and Upwards and Multiplication Check for Y4

From Monday 29th June onwards—parents meetings and sharing your child's report. Letters will follow nearer the time.

Wednesday 8th July 2020 —Disco

Friday 10th July 2020—school is closed all day for all children as it is staff training day

Friday 17th July 2020—school closes at 3:15 for the summer break

The school term in Leeds starts again on **Monday 7th September 2020** for Y1 upwards, however, Lane End school training days have not been finalised yet so please look out for this further information in newsletters.

There are also lots of trips and experiences that some classes will be enjoying too. Please look out for letters in your child's book bags.

Early Collection of Children

IMPORTANT: If you ever need to collect your child earlier than 3:15, for example for a medical appointment, you MUST provide evidence before you can take them. The children can only miss any school time when this is shared with the office staff. If the appointment is yours, and not your child's, you still need to provide this evidence.

Lane End Challenges…..Completed!

As you might remember, we have introduced a programme of 'Lane End Challenges' here at school—that are 'surprise' challenges that the children get presented with unexpectedly in an assembly, in a Golden envelope. Back in class, they find out what mission or task they have been given to do—and set about making it happen!

Some challenges are **'LEARN'** challenges—where the children will be learning practical skills, and more about the world around them. Acorn class in Nursery had a 'Learn' challenge—where they had to get ready for the great outdoors. Y4 were challenged to 'learn' some skills when they had to prepare for, and then enjoy, a Wintery Picnic.

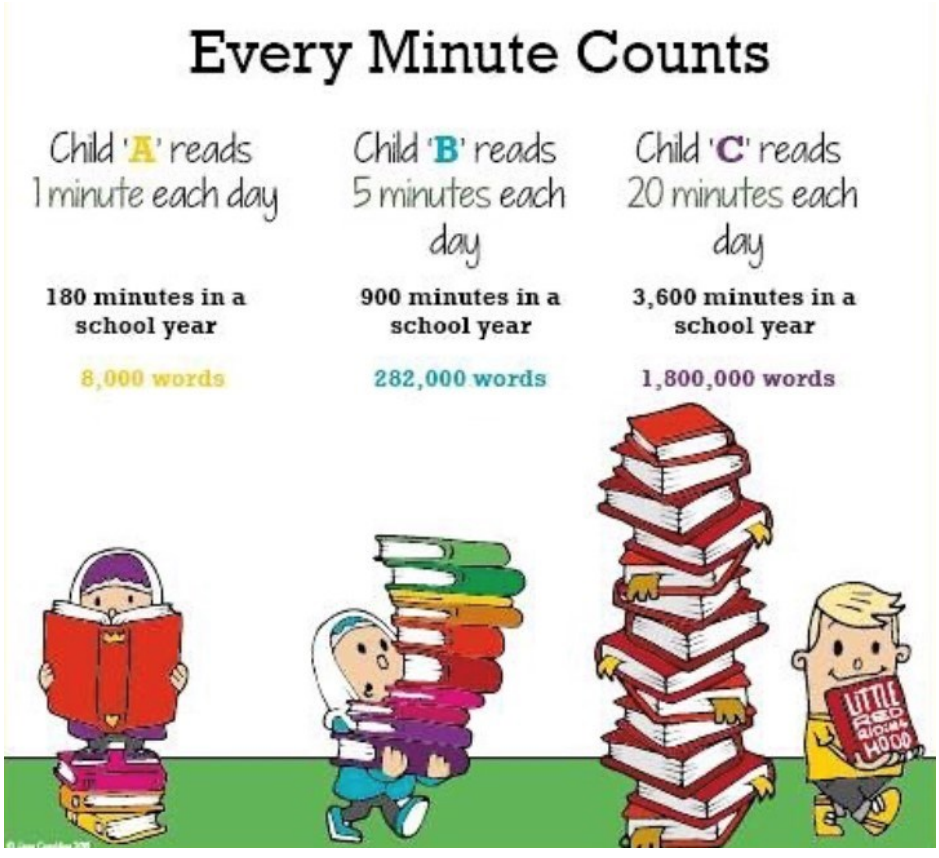
Other challenges ask our children to **'BELIEVE'** in themselves, and their abilities, and then be proud when they **'ACHIEVE'** the challenge. Acorn class 'believed ' they could be a good friend to the new children starting in the Nursery—and they did this so thoughtfully. Y3 were given a 'daring and dangerous' challenge of facing a climbing wall , and all the children 'achieved' this mission with bravery and skill. Y5 Ash class had the challenge of staying upright and gliding with style at the Ice Cube, and all 'achieved' master ice skater status.

Reception classes had a **'VOICE'** challenge—where they had to be C Beebies story tellers, and share stories with confidence in nice, loud and clear voices.



And there have been many more too—do keep looking on the class pages, and chatting to your children about any challenges they have been given ...and completed!

Well done, children, I will be listening out for that Challenge Bell ringing.





Sporting Success

A big shout out to the Year 5 Netball team that attended their first tournament just before the half term break. They competed against three other teams (Sharp Lane, Hunslet Moor and Middleton Primary Schools) at Rodillian High School and showed super team spirit. Team Lane End played really well—and drew their matches against Hunslet Moor and Sharp Lane, and won against Middleton. This meant overall that the tournament winners were……

LANE END!!!!

Well done girls:

* Sonali B - Dina A
* Valentyna D - Everlove A
* Alisha L - Enya D
* Laura G - Elyana A
* Megan B - Peyton C

and your behaviour was a credit to the school too.