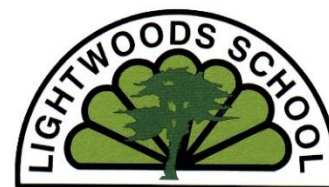


Lightwoods Primary School



Newsletter



Friday 7th February 2020

Issue 20

Learning is Fun

It's wonderful to walk around school and witness children at Lightwoods having so much fun, the photos on Twitter show happy and engaged learners, when walking into classes children are bursting with enthusiasm. Last week Y2 pupils had great fun at Oldbury Fire Station, this was linked to their Great Fire of London topic. Next week Reception will be holding a wedding for letters q and u to demonstrate and emphasize how the letters are always together.

Competition

On Monday Miss. Bone took a group of Y3/4 pupils to a Maths competition at a Dudley school, this was a competition between several schools within the Midlands. We are pleased to say Lightwoods got through to the final in the Summer, the children demonstrated great teamwork and even better maths skills. WELL DONE.

On Wednesday KS2 Girls participated in a football competition. This was their first football match in a tournament. They did us proud. Unfortunately they won't be going through to the next round.

The Wider World

Pupils in Y5/6 had a fantastic time in Paris, making so many fond memories and developing a love for travel. We are proud that Lightwoods is one of the very few Sandwell schools who take pupils in Y6 on a residential.

Next week Y3/Y4 pupils are off to Frank Chapman residential centre, we wish them a happy and fun week.

World Book Day

Some parents have expressed a wish for their children to dress up as a book character. Therefore, we thought that you could have the choice of either wearing your PJ's or coming as a book character. The choice is yours

Children's Mental Health Week

This week marks children's mental health week, we feel as a school we support mental health throughout the year. We pride ourselves in providing a very caring and nurturing school.

Reminder – A letter was sent home on Thursday about our whole school competition for internet safety. Enjoy creating your own Avatar, we look forward to receiving your entries.

	Learner of the Week:	Theme for the value leaf this week: Forgiveness
Reception Ash	Ryan M	Aria W
Reception Oak	Edison M	Etienne S
Year 1 Elm	Nevan M	Leonora C
Year 1 Fir	Komar M	Arlo J
Year 2 Cedar	Alannah R	Oliver M
Year 2 Pine	Aadil A	Millie P
Year 3 Beech	Kane D	Georgia W-B
Year 3 Maple	Joseph W	Frank L
Year 4	Harry K	Abi H
Year 5	Kieret G	Hannah P
Year 6	Tyler C	Elliot H

House Points

This week's winning house was;

Equality



223 points



184 points



174 points



142 points



141 points

Spring Term 2020



909 points



872 points



814 points



799 points



709 points



Attendance Trophy



The top attendance were: Year 1 Fir & Year 2 Pine with 99.3%

Reception Ash & Year 3 Beech = 99%

Year 3 Maple = 98.6%

Year 1 Elm = 98.3%

Year 5 = 98.3%

Year 4 = 96.3%

Year 2 Cedar = 95.7%

Year 6 = 94.3%

Reception Oak = 93.7%

Whole School Attendance = 97.4%

School Attendance Target = 97.5%



Weekly Winners

Year 3	2309
Year 1	2212
Year 2	886
Year 4	466
Year 5	204

Parent Sports at Castle Road East Site

Mondays – 9:00 – 10:15 am Ladies Football – 50p
Tuesday – 9:00 – 11:00 am Ladies Badminton– 50p

Schools Direct at Lightwoods - September 2020

Are you interested in a career in Teaching?

We work in partnership with Newman University and local primary and secondary schools across Sandwell to deliver high-quality teacher training based on in-depth classroom experience. In addition, you will receive a professional studies programme to support your academic development. On successful completion of the Initial Teacher Training Programme, Schools Direct trainees will be awarded with a Post Graduate Certificate of Education (PGCE) and Qualified Teacher Status (QTS).

For further information, please contact the school office and we will arrange for someone to contact you.



Lightwoods PTA

PTA will be selling sweets in the playground after school on Friday 14th February. Please remember to bring small change.

Thank you in advance.

Twitter Accounts

Reception Ash	LWPS_Ash
Reception Oak	LWPS_Oak
Year 1 Elm	LWPS_Elm
Year 1 Fir	LWPS_Fir
Year 2 Cedar	LWPS_Cedar
Year 2 Pine	LWPS_Pine
Year 3 Beech	LWPS_Beech
Year 3 Maple	LWPS_Maple
Year 4	Year4LWoods
Year 5	Year5LWoods
Year 6	Year6LWoods

SchoolGateway - Communication for Parents

Lightwoods uses School Gateway, the UK's best parent engagement software, for our communication, newsletters, club and dinner payments.

To help the school save money sending individual text messages, please can you make sure you download the free app which will send you notifications on any important school news. Just search 'School Gateway' in your App store and download. It's that simple!

Your login details will be automatically generated using the contact information the school already has.

You can check and change these details by sending an email to: sarah.verrecchia@lightwoods.sandwell.sch.uk or by ringing the school.

You can also login to the online version of School Gateway '<https://schoolcomms.com/>' if you do not have a smart phone, although we do recommend using the app if possible as it makes it far easier to get hold of parents when we need to.



Spring Term 2020

Monday 10th February – Y3 & Y4 – Frank Chapman Residential
Thursday 13th February – ECO Bus to visit KS2 pupils
Friday 14th February – ECO Bus to visit KS1/EYFS pupils
Monday 24th February – Training Day (Closed to Pupils)
Tuesday 25th February – Y3 Swimming - BEECH
Thursday 27th February – Parent e-safety workshop 5pm – Castle Road
Thursday 5th March – World Book Day, PJ/character dress up. Parents will be invited in more details to follow.
Friday 13th March – Sports Relief, non-uniform/sports outfits
Wednesday 18th March – Reception Mother's Day Assembly
Wednesday 18th & Thursday 19th March – Parents Evening
Thursday 19th March – KS1 Mother's Day Assembly
Monday 30th March – Y3/Y4 show – 1.30pm
Tuesday 31st March – Y3 Trip to Chedworth
Tuesday 31st March – Y1 Trip to Black Country Museum
Wednesday 1st April – Y3/Y4 show – 6pm
Friday 3rd April – Merit Assembly
Saturday 27th June- Summer Fayre

THESE DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Training Days:

Monday 24th February 2020
Monday 29th June 2020
Monday 20th July 2020

Spring term 2020

Term starts: Monday 6 January 2020

Half-term holiday: Monday 17 February 2020 to Friday 21 February 2020

Term ends: Friday 3 April 2020

Easter holiday: Monday 6 April to Friday 17 April 2020

Summer term 2020

Term starts: Monday 20 April 2020

Early May Bank Holiday - Friday 8 May 2020

Half-term: Monday 25 May 2020 to Friday 29 May 2020

Term ends: Monday 20 July 2020

Summer holiday:

Tuesday 21 July to Monday 31 August 2020

Academic Year 2020-2021

Autumn Term 2020

Tuesday 1st September 2020 – Friday 18th December 2020

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