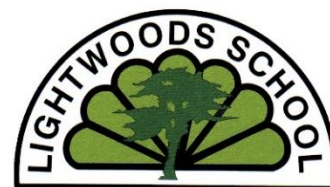


Lightwoods Primary School

Newsletter



Friday 27th November 2020

Issue 11

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope everyone is well and staying safe. Many of you will be aware that although the national lockdown ends next week, it will be replaced with a tiered system. Sandwell will be placed under Tier 3 restrictions due to the very high and rapidly rising rate of infections. As there are no changes affecting schools in Sandwell, we continue to adhere to the safety measures in place at school currently.

KS2 Christmas Performance

Key Stage 2 children will be filming their Christmas video on Friday 4th December. On this day, they can come to school in festive clothing or accessories! As Year 4 have P.E. on this day, they can wear their usual P.E. clothing but bring in something they can easily change into, such as a Christmas jumper. If you have not already done so, please make sure you have returned your child's consent form, which was emailed to you, if you are happy for them to appear on the video that will be posted on Seesaw.

Christmas Cards

To ensure children can still enjoy the festive cheer sending and receiving Christmas cards brings, we have put in place some safety measure to minimise risk and to ensure that this can still be a feature of Christmas this year.

The safety measures are:

- Children will only be allowed to send cards to children in their own bubble
- Children will only be allowed to bring cards in on Monday 14th December
- On Monday 14th December, cards will be put into a quarantine box in classrooms
- Cards will be organised into piles for each child using appropriate safety measures and on Thursday 17th December, they will be handed out for children to take home

Home learning/Blended learning Reminder

If your child is required to self-isolate, it is crucial that they access blended learning, provided by school, to ensure they continue to thrive in their learning. If you need any support with accessing Seesaw or Tapestry, please contact the school office.

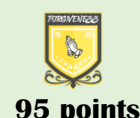
Thank you for your continued support. Remember if you have any concerns or issues please contact a member of the senior leadership team.

	Learner of the Week:	Value Leaf
Reception Ash	Aleksandra	Autumn
Reception Oak	Leena	Lizzie
Year 1 Elm	Sophie	Adrianna
Year 1 Fir	Poppy	Gursahib
Year 2 Cedar	Michael	Bhavika
Year 2 Pine	Avni	Harjun
Year 3 Beech	Elliot	Oliver
Year 3 Maple	Harleen	Sophia
Year 4 Chestnut	Soraya	Bethany
Year 4 Hazel	Zac M	Iyara
Year 5	Luca & Phoebe	Amar
Year 6	Indeya	Reem

House Points

This week's winning house was;

Respect



Autumn Term 2020



Attendance Trophy



The top attendance award goes to:

Reception Oak, Year 1 Elm, Year 2 Cedar, Year 4 Hazel & Year 6 with 100%

Year 5 = 98.3%
 Reception Ash = 97.8%
 Year 2 Pine = 97%
 Year 1 Fir = 96.1%
 Year 3 Beech = 95%
 Year 3 Maple = 94.7%
 Year 4 Chestnut = 94.4%

Whole School Attendance = 97.8%
 School Attendance Target = 97.5%

Mobile Phones in School

Please ensure your child only brings a mobile phone if they are in Year 6 and walk to school alone. Children must hand these to their class teacher in the morning. No other child should bring a phone to school.

Reception 2021 Admissions

If you have a child born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017 and to due to start reception class, then please ensure you apply for a reception place by 15th January 2021.

If you require help or further information, please phone the Admissions Parent Support line on 0121 569 6765.

Christmas Hot Meal

Further to a text sent last week, the menu is:

Roast Turkey, Gravy, Cocktail Sausage with Sage & Onion Stuffing
Or
Quorn Roast Wellington with seasoning and Gravy

Roast and Creamed Potatoes
Carrots & Peas

Christmas Pudding & Vanilla Sauce
or
Strawberry & Vanilla Swirl Ice-Cream Tubs

Price £2.40 (KS2 only)
The office need to know by
Monday 30th November

We appreciate how important it is for all of our children to be able to attend school and maintain some form of normality during these unusual times. In order to keep school running in a way that ensures everyone's safety, it is important that we continue to do the following to minimise risk:

- Do not send your child to school if he/she has any of the Covid symptoms and arrange for your child to be tested ASAP.
- **Do not send your child to school if anyone in your household has any symptoms.**
- Adhere to the staggered drop offs and collection times and please ensure you use the correct entrances/exists.
- Wear face coverings when in the school grounds and maintain social distancing.
- Only 1 person per family to come on to the school grounds to drop off/collect.
- Leave the school site and area as quickly as possible and please do not loiter at the school gates/grounds.
- Please keep your children with you while waiting on the school grounds and do not let them run around, mixing with others.
- Please ensure that social distancing and gathering rules are adhered to before and after school.
- If you need to speak to your child's class teacher, please contact through the school office where the message will be passed on or a mutually convenient time will be arranged for your child's teacher to contact you.



AUTUMN TERM

THESE DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

- 4th December – KS2 festive clothing for Christmas video recording w/c 7th December – Christmas Lunch
- 7th – 11th December EYFS and KS1 Christmas Class Events shared on Tapestry/Seesaw
- Friday 11th December - Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)
- 14th – 16th December - KS2 Christmas Class events shared on Seesaw
- Monday 14th December – Christmas cards to be brought in
- Wednesday 16th December – Party Day (party clothes)
- Thursday 17th December - Merit Assembly in classes
- Friday 18th December – Inset day school closed to pupils
- Monday 4th January – Inset day school closed to pupils

New Intake Meetings

Intake Meetings have been cancelled until further notice

Training Days – Closed to pupils

Friday 18th December 2020

Monday 4th January 2021

Autumn term 2020

Term ends: Friday 18 December 2020

Christmas holiday: Monday 21 December 2020 to Friday 1 January 2021

Spring term 2021

Term starts: Monday 4 January 2021

Half-term holiday: Monday 15 February 2021 to Friday 19 February 2021

Term ends: Thursday 1 April 2021

Easter Holiday: Friday 2 April to Friday 16 April 2021

Summer term 2021

Term starts: Monday 19 April 2021

Half-term holiday: Monday 31 May 2021 to Friday 4 June 2021

Term ends: Wednesday 21 July 2021

Summer holiday starts: Thursday 22 July 2021

Visit Our Website

For our latest news and information please check:


www.lightwoods.sandwell.sch.uk

Useful parental websites:

Parent Zone have launched their new app **Ollee**. An early-intervention tool that will help 8-11 year olds with their emotional wellbeing and encourage communication within families.

<https://parentzone.org.uk/ollee/for-parents>

Twitter Accounts

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Year 3 Maple	LWPS_Maple
Year 4 Chestnut	LWPS_Chestnut
Year 4 Hazel	LWPS_Hazel
Year 5	Year5LWoods
Year 6	Year6LWoods
Whole School	LightwoodsPS