

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have enjoyed welcoming all the children back after the half term break and it is great that we have started the second half of the Autumn term with all our classes back in school.

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 Covid.
- Adhere to the staggered drop offs and collection times and please ensure you use the correct entrances/exits.
- 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.

Poppies and Remembrance

A reminder that poppies will be on sale on Monday 9th November. If you wish to purchase a poppy, please send your children in with a donation on Monday. Classes will hold a 2 minute silence on Wednesday 11th November and some of the children's work will be posted on Seesaw/Tapestry.

Children in Need

On Friday 13th November, children are invited to come to school in non-uniform; donations to Children in Need are welcome.

This year, the focus for Children in Need is to supercharge our school's mental wellbeing. We will be following their Five to Thrive campaign which is led by Joe Wicks, Dr Radha and Blue Peter. Inspired by the 5 ways to wellbeing, it's designed to help children feel better about themselves as well as helping others. The children will be able to come to school dressed as themselves, in what makes them comfortable and happy.

Birthday Sweets

Children can still wear their own clothes on the day of their birthday, however, children cannot bring anything from home to share with other children, including sweets. We understand this might be disappointing, however, our risk assessment states that equipment should not be shared and this has been extended to all items. As the rates of infection are rapidly rising in Sandwell, we feel this is a necessary measure.

Thank you for your continued support. Remember if you have any concerns or



Attendance Trophy



The top attendance were: Year 4 Hazel with 100%

- Reception Ash & Year 6 = 99.2%
- Year 2 Pine = 98.7%
- Year 2 Cedar = 98.3%
- Year 1 Elm, Year 3 Maple & Year 5 = 97.5%
- Year 1 Fir = 96.7%
- Year 3 Beech = 96.3%
- Year 4 Chestnut = 95%
- Reception Oak = 93.9%

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

	Learner of the Week:	Value Leaf
Reception Ash	James	Ted
Reception Oak	Khloe-Grace	Harrison
Year 1 Elm	Anu-Aradhna	Rufus
Year 1 Fir	Zachary	Aria
Year 2 Cedar	Anika	Caleb
Year 2 Pine	Keeva	Sophie
Year 3 Beech	Kendall	Harper
Year 3 Maple	Nate	Scarlet
Year 4 Chestnut	Junna	Sarneet
Year 4 Hazel	Zachary	Oscar
Year 5	Amelie	Sartaaj
Year 6	Hannah and Eloise	Phoebe

House Points

This week's winning house was;

Kindness



190 points



180 points



155 points



139 points



124 points

Autumn Term 2020



562 points



501 points



491 points



450 points



376 points


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.

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



AUTUMN TERM

THESE DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Starting Thursday 12th November – Hot Meals
Non Uniform Day – Friday 13th November – Donations for Children in Need
Light Day, non-uniform for Divali Monday 16th November
16th – 20th November Anti-bulling week
7th – 11th December EYFS and KS1 Christmas Class Concerts
Friday 11th December Christmas Jumper Day Save the Children
14th – 16th December KS2 Christmas Class Concerts
Wednesday 16th December Party Day
Thursday 17th December Merit Assembly in Class Rooms
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

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