



Friday 29th November 2018

Lickey Hills Primary School and Nursery

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete and return the Parent Questionnaires for the governors, they are being reviewed and the outcomes will be shared with you. We were really pleased with how many of you responded.

The Christmas tree is decorated beautifully, the stage is up and there's lots of beautiful singing around school in preparation for our concerts and performances which we warmly welcome you too.

Tomorrow is the PTA Christmas Fayre, please come along and support our fundraising and perhaps pop in and see our special visitor dressed in red! On Sunday our School Choir will be singing at Lickey Church at 4pm and then helping Father Christmas turn on the lights and the decorations for the Lickey Hills - there will be mince pies, refreshments and everyone is very welcome to attend.

On Monday I'm sharing a very special advent calendar with everyone, look out for it coming home.
Yours in learning - Miss Salisbury



Miss S's Golden Book Stars

Amazing Australian Power point Presentation - Jude 6CW

Fantastic weekly spelling scored - Dillon 5AB

Excellent anti bullying poster - Eleanor 4LH

Beautiful Diva Lamp - Joshua DDD and Max 1KG

Super painting - Jasmyn 3HC

Pen License - Izzy, Scarlett and Kassaye 3HC Ambur D 2AH

Great peer critique work - Mayah, Evie and Keeley 6MT

Fabulous Non Chronological Report writing - Niamh, Amelia, Rosie, George F and Simon 6MT



Attendance Award

KS1
2AH
97.82%

KS2
3HC
98.17%



★ LHPSN Wow News

The KS2 Singing club will be performing at two events this weekend. On Saturday at 2pm they will be opening the Christmas Fete with a collection of Christmas songs to get everyone in the festive mood and on Sunday the Parish Council have asked them to perform at the light switch on event at Lickey Church at 4pm. There will be a prize giving for winners of the Christmas picture competition along with refreshments and word has it a special red clothed Christmas visitor may be there too!

Safeguarding News

KS2 End of the School Day: Please ensure you are on the KS2 playground, or the place you have agreed to meet your child, by 3.20pm prompt. We suggest you collect KS2 children first as EYFS and KS1 staff do not release pupils unless an adult is present. Please do not call school after 3pm to make different home time arrangements unless it is an absolute emergency, the size of the school and capacity of staff at this time means we cannot guarantee messages can be passed on with such short notice.

Dates for the diary

04.12.18 - KS1 Production to Parents - 2.15pm

05.12.18 - KS1 Production to Parents - 6.30pm

06.12.18 - KS1 Production to Parents - 6.30pm

06.12.18 - Songs around the Christmas Tree - EYFS - 2.00pm

07.12.18 - Songs around the Christmas Tree - EYFS - 2.00pm



What have we been up to this fortnight?



EYFS

This week Nursery have been sharing photos of special celebrations with their friends. They have enjoyed acting out different celebrations in the role play area, especially birthday parties! They have also been busy practicing for the Songs Around the Christmas Tree event and are getting very good at remembering the songs and actions. We hope you are looking forward to it! Miss Cooke

Reception have shared the funny bones story and we have been learning about what a setting is and how to describe one. We then used labels and captions to write one. In our maths groups we have been comparing the lengths of different bones and learning how to measure. Dr Kirby and Mrs. Reading

KS1

We have been working so, so hard in Year 1 this week- we are getting performance ready! We have been developing our drama skills by understanding how to behave and perform on a stage and how to project our voices if we are saying a line. We have also been continuing our understanding of adjectives in Writing as we have explored how we can describe the Gruffalo. We are continuing to put our all into everything and we know our efforts will pay off in our three amazing shows next week!

This week year 2 have been grouping and sharing in Maths as part of our work on division. We've also been practicing our drama skills so that we're ready for the production- we're very excited!

KS2

We got new books from the book fair with the money raised during parent's evenings. I have been reading Granddad Mandela, it is about a man called Mandela who was fighting for the freedom of black people. It's really good because it shows that no one is better than anyone else. Granddad Mandela was put in jail because the white police thought he was a trouble maker. Everyone was protesting for him to be set free. By Izzy 3HC

I've been reading Chinese Cinderella. It is about a Chinese girl, she was blamed for the death of her mother. She gets a gold medal from school. It's a very interesting book. Rio 4SR

I have been using the new Thesaurus books given to us by the PTA. They are very useful for our literacy lessons. I used it for finding new words and for SPaG lessons - Sophie 4SR

Language Base 1

L1 have been busy creating Rainbow sensory bottles as part of their new theme work on weather. The children explored with the help of prisms how rainbows are made and what weather types are needed in order to be able to see them in everyday life. Our new travel agent role play area has also been a huge hit promoting the children's speaking and listening skills whilst allowing them to explore how different countries experience different weather types.

Language Base 2

Christmas is approaching fast and we are making preparations for our KS2 carol concert at Lickey Church. We are busy fine tuning our voices with singing carols as well as practicing our lines for the reading - our part is the story of the Three Wise Men. It gives the children a good opportunity to use their speaking skills when addressing an audience as well as practicing their SaLT sounds.

Additional News

Can we remind parents/carers that there is a 48 hour period following any sickness and/or diarrhea before children are allowed to return to school - we have a pupil in school with very low and at times no immunity so please do stick to this time frame before your child returns. Many thanks - The office.

News from the Hive

Parents Please Note: Children who need to use The Hive on an adhoc basis must be officially registered with The Hive and all paperwork signed and completed in advance. It is not acceptable to ring the school and inform them on the day that you cannot collect your children and that they must go into The Hive. Whilst we understand that sometimes there are unavoidable circumstances, we have to follow statutory age related pupil numbers and staff ratios therefore we cannot guarantee that last minute requests can be accommodated. Registration is free and we do encourage everyone to register. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Next week in the Hive we look forward to our monthly 'Top Table' celebration we will also be choosing children each day to find out if there is an advent surprise in the Hive Advent Calendar. Also look out for Christmas themed toast! Miss Lynch

PTA News

The PTA are thrilled to announce we made just over £1,000 profit from the Halloween disco which is amazing. Thank you to everyone who supported this event either by attending or volunteering to make it a huge success. So far this term we've been able to order the listening equipment for nursery and reception, and a full set of thesaurus's for KS2 as well as new art resources for the Nurture team. Our next focus is the Christmas fayre taking place tomorrow (01/12/18) from 2-4pm so we hope to see lots of you there to continue achieving our fund raising goals. If you would like to know more about the PTA or would like information regarding helping at one of our events please email lickeyhillspta@outlook.com.

Mrs Millward - PTA Chair