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# The Hive

# Lickey Hills Primary School & Nursery School Newsletter

Friday 28th January 2022

This week's total school attendance is 87.33%

Dear Families.

It has been lovely to be back in school following my special covid Christmas present, I don't remember putting it on my list but there it was and unlike the Christmas chocolates the cough is still lingering! We have a fluctuating number of covid cases across the year groups including our staff and key worker colleagues. We are rather thinly spread but everyone is working extra hard to keep our school routines going. Thank you to everyone for being so vigilant with lateral flow testing and isolation dates, I really appreciate your efforts in helping us to keep the school community safe and happy.

Spring term has started well, the roots and shoots of our learning is lovely to see and hear in school. I was so impressed with Nursery and their funky fingers last week they worked so hard with their fine motor skills and dancing! Reception enjoyed listening to the story of Foxy and the Egg in assembly so much that we are now looking for more books by the wonderfully talented author Alex T. Smith. I joined Year 1 for their maths learning this week and was incredibly impressed with their accuracy counting in 2's and 5's. I popped in to Year 2 as they had asked if they could show me their writing, I especially enjoyed looking back at their writing in September 2021 and comparing it to their writing now - it was AMAZING to see the progress they have made with their handwriting, spelling and punctuation. George in Year 3 showed me his super diarry writing and you'll be able to read about Year 3's visit to the Stone Age at Bishop's Wood in the newsletter this week too. Amelia, Year 4, shared some great division (with remainders) work with me, I was most impressed with her quick recall of timetables. Year 5 and Year 6 thought more about their dreams and goals in assembly. Joe used my electronic skipping rope to challenge himself (109 skips in one minute!) and we talked about how it helps to set targets and write plans to help us improve and persevere. Jasper and Gabriel, Year 6, shared their detailed work on Revolution and Empire with me and the legacy of Richard Arkwright. There is so much great learning going on and it's a pleasure to have such fantastic children to work with at LHPSN. After every educational visit, I am always told by the venue how wonderfully behaved our children are and how much they enjoy their questions and ideas. We have visits planned to a Roman Village and Worcester Cathedral this term, so look out for the children's reports on their 'culture' experiences in the upcoming newsletters.

As we approach Easter, I wanted to remind you that following a request from a group of pupils last summer, the governors approved a change to the school uniform policy. From Easter, when the summer uniform can be worn, all children may wear grey tailored shorts. I know some of you are highly organised and despite the cooler weather may already be thinking about buying summer uniform.

P.S. A HUGE thank you to 1HB for sharing their knowledge of Africa this morning - their singing, dancing and speaking was wonderful. Many thanks to 1HB parents for your encouragement and support, how lovely to welcome you into school, your children are a credit to you.

Miss A Salisbury

Headteacher

#### Holy Trinity Church Events

We have a number of weekly activities taking place that we would love you to be part of. Simply turn up or get in touch with Rev Sheri Gidney for more details 0121 445 1185 <a href="mailto:sherigidney@gmail.com">sherigidney@gmail.com</a>

- Mondays 10:30am 12noon Coffee, Cake and Chat, with wheelchair access and a
  designated area for under 5's play. This is a space to enjoy a cake and coffee in
  the company of all ages.
- Wednesdays 10am 11am Midweek Communion, a quiet reflective service, a perfect pause in a busy week, followed by a cuppa.
- Wednesdays 11:15am 12:45 Tiny Church, our Stay and Play for under 5's and their careers.

All of the above take place in Holy Trinity Church, Lickey and are free of charge, although donations to help cover costs are very welcome.

#### Dates for Diary

01.02 - PTA Meeting 17.02 - KS1 Achievement Assembly

04.02 - NSPCC Number day 18.02 - Awards assembly

09.02 - Yr 3 Ancient Egypt workshop 18.02 - Last day of term

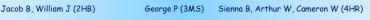
10.02 - Yr 2 SATS parents meeting

11.02 - 2HB Class assembly

15.02 - Yr 4 Roman workshop



## Happy Birthday! (29<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Feb)



Evie M (4SB) Brandon MB (5CW) Jasmyn F (6MC) Amelie H (NURS) Sofia T (RKG)

### Year 3 Bishops Wood Trip

On Wednesday, 3MS and 3HT went to Bishops Wood to try and survive a day in the Stone Age. Thanks to their expert problem solving, survival skills and creativity, every student and adult on the trip came back to school almost on time. During the day; we were creating shelter in small groups to survive a storm, using flint to start a fire, weaving willow to create the walls of a roundhouse, hunting animals with our throwing sticks, gathering edible materials from the woods and making flour using stone tools.

#### Golden Book Stars

Troy G (1MK)	Eliza B (4SB)	Isabelle C (4SB)	Connor J (3HT)
Finley M (3MS)	Ambur D (5CW)	Phoebe C (5CW)	Leila A (5CW)
Mia K (5CW)	Isbah K (4HR)	Jake W (4HR)	Matilda P (5CW)
William R (45B)	Danny J (3HT)	Isla M (1MK)	Eren H (1MK)
Arley M (4SB)	Kieran A (45B)	Gabriel J (1MK)	George C (1MK)
Mason T (1HB)	Billy T (2HB)	Josephine T (25H)	Jessica L (1MK)
Jacob B(2HB)	Finley B (2SH)	George M (3HT)	Ayla H (1MK)
Darcey R (1MK)	Alexia B (1MK)	Jenson R (1MK)	Anna-Mae (1MK)
Erin W (1MK)	Orla B (1MK)	Lola MS (1MK)	Amber H (1MK)
Florrie K (1MK)	Jack D (1MK)	Abbie S (1MK)	Abigail G (1MK)
Amelia W (4SB)	Jasper C (6AB)	Gabriel C (6AB)	Edward E (RKG)
Isabelle M (RJR)	Freddie C (RJR)	Robert C (RJR)	Jack O (RKG)
Max B (RKG)	Louie F (RKG)		<i>a</i> _∧ <b>3</b>

