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# Lickey Hills Primary School & Nursery School Newsletter

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022

**This week's total school attendance is 93.2%**

Dear Families,

Spring has sprung this week with the vibrant yellow of the sunshine and daffodils filling the Lickey Hills. We are so fortunate to be surrounded by nature and feel the benefits of the fresh air on the hill! We're taking advantage of our beautiful location again to enhance our curriculum; last week Reception classes had a wonderful walk around the Lickeys looking for signs of spring with the ranger. Year 2 and Year 5 are planning to visit Lickey Hills Country Park before Easter; Year 5 are going to sketch landscapes from their view of hills. I'm really proud that our 'Culture Vulture' offer to children has ensured that everyone is able to benefit from visits and visitors to enrich our teaching and learning. Next week, Year 1 and Year 2 are taking part in an athletics festival with our local schools, as we approach the summer term we look forward to sports festivals, outdoor clubs such as orienteering and bell boating and of course our Year 6 outdoor adventure residential event.

This weekend we celebrate 'Mothering Sunday'; for some it will be an opportunity to tell mum's how wonderful they are with kind words and actions. For others, it's a time to remember and reflect. To all mums, however you spend your day, thank you for all you do for your children and families. I will leave you with a quote from an unknown source which made me smile; Mothers don't sleep. They just worry with their eyes closed.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the spring sunshine.

Yours in Learning

Miss A Salisbury

Headteacher



## Golden Book Stars



Martha N (2HB) Anna-Mae P (1MK) Abbie S (1MK)

Owen R (LB1) Indybella P (2SH) Olivia F (1HB)

Blake S (LB1) Lucas L (RJR) Bella S (RJR)

Aria RJ (RJR) Freddy K (RJR) Ivy J (RJR)

Bodhi H (LB1) Isla C (RJR) Freddie C (RJR)

Isabelle M (RJR) Jeremiah MB (RJR) Theia K (RKG)

Charlotte F (RKG) Ella P (RKG) Spencer R (RJR)

Freddie K (RJR) Jacob G (LB1) Toby H (LB1)

Jasper B (3HT) Alan H (6MC) Harry H (6MC)

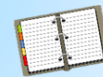
Orla-Rose B (5CW) Jake B (LB1)



Reminder to all parents, the governor questionnaire went live on parentmail last week, we would love to hear your thoughts and views as they are important to us, as they help us to improve our school community.

## Dates for Diary

01.04 - Reception Class assembly  
07.04 - KS2 Achievement assembly  
08.04 - Nursery Easter event  
08.04 - Awards Assembly (EYFS, KS1, KS2)  
08.04 - Last day of spring term  
25.04 - Back to school  
02.05 - Bank holiday Monday  
06.05 - 5CW Class assembly



## Year 5 trip to Bishop's Wood

We arrived at Bishop's Wood and met our Viking teacher in the classroom. Where we got to look at different Viking objects (tools, weapons and armour). We then went on a journey across the sea in a Viking long ship, pretending to be Vikings. When we arrived in Viking Britain, we made some Viking objects that they would have used or traded. We made brooches by getting some copper, and hammering it on both sides to form it into shape. We were able to fasten them onto ourselves and wear them! Next, we spun sheep's wool into thread. We did this by tying the wool onto the end of the spindle, and spinning it slowly round to make the thread! Lastly, we made clay pots by pressing our thumbs into the clay until it turned into a small pot. We then decorated it with Viking runes. In the afternoon, we made Viking shelters using natural resources. We had to make the shelters waterproof, and the sticks that we used needed to be secured so they didn't fall down on us whilst we were inside! We used leaves to make them waterproof and some moss for the final touches! We all had a great time being Vikings for the day! We arrived at Bishop's Wood and met our Viking teacher in the classroom. We all had a great time being Vikings for the day!

Written by Bunny, Gabriella and Gabriel.

## UNICEF

Thank you so much to everyone who baked, bought and donated so much to this wonderful fundraising opportunity. I was overwhelmed by the generosity and support of the LHPSN school community on Friday. Together we raised £480.04 for UNICEF.

Whether you donated a packet of biscuits or baked beautiful buns your contributions have ensured that we can help children and families in Ukraine through the excellent work of UNICEF. As a result of the generous donations we were also able to send unopened packets that we didn't sell off to the B30 foodbank to help those in need in our local community. Thank you Mr and Mrs Naughton for taking our donations on the school's behalf.

## Comic relief

We had a wonderful day on Friday 18th March raising funds for Comic Relief and UNICEF. Thank you to everyone for sending in your donations for wearing red - we raised a super £490.18. During the afternoon every class took part in the LHPSN Poetry Slam Competition; each class performed a poem and our panel of Y6 Ambassador Judges helped Miss Salisbury decide on the winning classes. There were some super stand out performances of poems; I saw my Teacher on a Saturday, ABC, if you're swallowed by an Elephant and A Little Bit of Food and so many more that made us laugh long and loud!

The winners of the Comic Relief Poetry Slam 2022...

- **EYFS and KS1 category** - 1MK - 'Pull a Funny Face' (1st)
- LB1 - 'Red is the colour of...' (Runner up)
- **KS2 Category** - 5CW - Strict (1st)
- 3HT - I Hypnotised a Teacher (Runner Up)

Thank you children and staff for helping to raise lots of laughter and money for this worthwhile charity.

## Safeguarding

The Worcestershire Starting Well Partnership offers a range of courses and workshops for children, parents and families covering a range of activities, interests and developments. These courses and workshops are fully funded for those families with a child on the special educational needs register, those on free school meals, those who need support with their own or their child's mental health and wellbeing, and those who earn below £17k annually. Courses include topics such as: SEND - Understanding Dyslexia, Managing Mindfulness and positive behaviour strategies, Early Phonics for Parents, Family Wellness, Art for Parents, and Art for your child - ideas for parents, Family Cooking Class, Cooking on a budget, communicating with Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

For further information on how to book a place on any of these please follow this link

<https://www.lickeyhills.worcs.sch.uk/pupil-wellbeing/>

## Reception's trip to the Lickey Hills

Reception had a wonderful time at the Lickey hills learning all about spring. We were exceptionally well behaved and had lots of fun with Steve the ranger, trudging through mud and throwing leaves. Thank you so much to all the grownups who came and supported us.



## Happy Birthday! (26<sup>th</sup> March - 8<sup>th</sup> April)

Troy G (1MK)

Viren D, Freya G, Freya L, Emilia P (2HB)

Ariya D, Hayato E (2SH)

Cara M, Sophie S (3HT)

Oliver B (4HR)

Amber R (4SB)

Asavari B (6AB)

Corey G (NURS)

Sophia C, Isabelle D (RKG)



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