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Lickey Hills Primary School & Nursery School Newsletter

Friday 1st July 2022

This week's total school attendance is 94.8%

Dear Families,

We have had another busy fortnight of sporting activities with Year 1, 2 and 3 pupils joining with our local primary schools for our Grove sports festivals, the children have really enjoyed the opportunity to participate and compete, you can read reports about their experience below. We've also been sharing our beautiful singing voices at St John's church and joining in with the BIG Sing. We have another couple of weeks of educational visits ahead as our Culture Vulture passports take us to the Safari Park (Year 1) and Twycross Zoo (Reception Classes) and we look forward to welcoming our Year 3 and 4 families for our musical celebration FAME concert next week. In between all of this we have been 'Jumping Up' to our new classrooms and meeting our new teachers - it's always a time of mixed emotions as we prepare to say goodbye and also look forward to a new term.

At the end of this school year we say goodbye and good luck to Mrs Valentine (was Miss Holmes) who is leaving us to follow her passion of teaching in a special school. In a similar vein we say goodbye and good luck to Mrs Chivers who is leaving to pursue a new and exciting challenge working as a Pupil Premium leader supporting disadvantaged children and families. We also say goodbye and good luck to Mr Brewer who has secured his much wanted and well deserved Assistant Head position after doing a wonderful job as Acting Assistant Head at LHPSN. As much as it's always difficult to say goodbye to such wonderful teachers and people, I'm so proud to see colleagues able to dream, believe and achieve their goals and ambitions because of their learning and experiences at LHPSN - what wonderful role models for our children! We have appointed three new members of staff to our teaching team who bring new skills and expertise and great enthusiasm for working at LHPSN. We have also recruited a new full time teaching assistant for KS1 and a new receptionist, Mrs Jalporte, to join our busy administration team. We continue to recruit over the holiday for a part-time caretaker to join our site team.

I look forward to welcoming you to our PTA Fete and school enterprise event today.

Yours in Learning,
Miss A Salisbury
Headteacher



Golden Book Stars

Freya L (2HB) James E (2HB) Jacob B (2HB)
Sophie B (2HB) Eden H (2HB)



Dates for Diary

04.07 - Reception to Year 1 transition talk via zoom
05.07 - Year 1 Trip to West Midlands Safari Park
05.07 - Year 2 to year 3 transition talk via zoom
06.07 - Fame concert (Year 3/4)
08.07 - Reports to parents
08.07 - Revd Sheri Gidney visiting Year 4
08.07 - Language Base picnic
11.07 - 4HR/4SB/LB2 Walk to the Lickey Hills
13.07 - Year 6 production to parents
14.07 - Year 6 production to grandparents
15.07 - PTA Beach Day



Safeguarding

The children across school have had their transition afternoons this week. For some of our children, particularly those with additional and/or mental health needs, this can be an unsettling time. The Mentally Healthy Schools website has a range of advice for parents to help support their children through this period of change. You can also contact the office and ask to speak to Mrs Williams SENDCO and DSL or a member of the Nurture Team.

Year 4 - St John's visit

Some of our Year 4 children were lucky enough to spend a day at St John's church in Bromsgrove on Tuesday. We rehearsed and performed a piece that was written for the Jubilee by internationally renowned composer Alexander L'Estrange. Alexander really inspired our children with his knowledge and musical expertise.

After a full day spent rehearsing, we performed the piece to parents from our school and several others schools. Included in the piece were arrangements of Zadok the Priest and Rule Britannia as well as 'God Save The Queen' which certainly brought back special memories of our Jubilee Celebrations. Our children were all perfect role models and were also wonderful singers. There were certainly a few goosebumps moments during the performance. Thank you to all Year 4 children who came - you were all brilliant!

Grove sports Event Year 3

We were able to take 30 Year 3 pupils to Beaconside Primary school this week, where they took part in the 'Grove Invasion Games Festival'. We had a fabulous afternoon taking part in a range of sporting activities with children from other schools in the local area. We worked our way around Beaconside's school field, playing games focussing on our hockey, basketball, handball and football skills. The activity leader commented on the children's excellent behaviour and listening skills and we're so proud of how well they all worked together, showing sportsmanship and 'have a go' attitudes! Well done, Year 3!



Providing Free Preloved school uniform to Birmingham and beyond!

No swops needed, no questions asked.
Opening Hours
Monday and Wednesday—11.30-2.
Friday and Saturday—11-2.
Closed bank holidays.

Year 5 Big Sing

Last Thursday, Year 5 enjoyed a trip to Worcester University Arena to participate in the Big Sing. During the afternoon, they sang a variety of songs from around the world and premiered a song written to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee! It was very fun and the children were fantastic ambassadors for the school!

Reminder

All transition meetings will take place via zoom. You should have received the link early this week.

As of Wednesday 6th July we will no longer be using parentmail, all school communications will be coming to you via Arbour. If you haven't yet signed up to the arbour app please do so as all meals, clubs and trips will be arranged through here.

