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Lickey Hills Primary School & Nursery School Newsletter

Friday 15th July 2022

This week's total school attendance is 94.1%

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of the 2021/22 school year, I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for your work in partnership with the school this year. It has been a huge relief to be able to return to 'business as usual'. At long last, our children have been able to venture far and wide on educational visits. They have expanded their cultural horizons in cathedrals, museums, country parks and safari parks. They have rolled their sleeves up and got stuck into science, art, design and technology and taken their learning outdoors in our fabulous forest school. LHPSN has participated in sports festivals and tournaments. Our extracurricular activities are expanding and children and families are pleased to see these return. For me, hearing what the children say about our school is the most valuable feedback I receive. I know we have a successful school when I hear children from Nursery to Year 6 express their love of learning. Our children tell me they feel safe and happy here. They enjoy their learning and feel proud of their achievements. The Annual Report comments from staff, parents and children have been a joy to read.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each family for the commitment you have shown to your child's education. Ensuring your children attend every day, makes a huge difference. Our average school attendance is 94%. Completing home learning; regular reading and spelling practice, learning timetables and number bonds really supports the work we do in school, thank you for your time on this, I know many of you are busy working families, and how precious your time is.

I am proud to work alongside a most dedicated team of staff and professionals, who have worked relentlessly this year. We have finally been able to deliver our own bespoke LHPSN curriculum putting our beautiful surroundings and rich local geography and history at the heart of all we do. Our teachers love teaching and that is evident in their dedication and exceptional efforts.

Finally, I am absolutely delighted to share our SATS results with you. Tests took place for our Year 1, Year 2 (end of KS1) and Year 6 (end of KS2) children this year. Despite the turbulence of the past two years, children and staff have worked incredibly hard to plug gaps in learning and help our children 'catch up'. I am over the moon with our outcomes this year and delighted that our children and school has achieved so well compared to the national picture. I have highlighted our achievements below. 2021/2022 really has been an exceptional year for our school community.

Thank you everyone for your support and encouragement in all we do together.

Yours in learning,

Miss A.L. Salisbury

Headteacher





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School Test results 2022

Below you will find the results of the statutory tests completed in May and June 2022. I have been able to share the provisional national results so you can see how fantastically well our school has done compared to other schools nationally.

The finalised national results will be officially released in the autumn term but rarely differ from the % shared here.

The expected standard (EXS) is where your child should be at the end of each key stage. In addition to pupils being measured against the expected standard, we are also measured on the percentage of pupils reaching the higher standard in these tests (GDS - greater depth). At the moment we do not have the national results for GDS in KS2 but once everything is released in the autumn term I will share them again.

Reading Expected Standard (EXS)

End of KS2 - LHPSN reading results (83%) have exceeded the 2022 national results (74%) by 9%

End of KS1 - LHPSN reading results (70%) have exceeded the 2022 provisional national results (67%) by 3%

Reading Higher Standard (GDS)

End of KS2 - LHPSN reading results (47%) the 2022 figures are not yet available but school have exceeded the 2019 national results (27%) by 20%

End of KS1 - LHPSN reading results (23%) have exceeded the 2022 provisional national results (18%) by 5%

Phonics Test Results

Year 1 - 84% of pupils passed the phonics test which exceeds the provisional national assessments (76%) by 8%

Writing Expected Standard (EXS)

End of KS2 - LHPSN writing assessments (81%) have exceeded the 2022 national assessments (69%) by 12%

End of KS1 - LHPSN writing assessments (63%) have exceeded the 2022 provisional national assessments (58%) by 5%

Writing Higher Standard (GDS)

End of KS2 - LHPSN writing results (17%) the 2022 figures are not yet available but school is broadly in line with the 2019 national results (20%)

End of KS1 - LHPSN writing results (4%) just below the provisional national assessments (8%)

Maths Expected Standard (EXS)

End of KS2 - LHPSN maths results (83%) have exceeded the 2022 national results (71%) by 12%

End of KS1 - LHPSN maths results (79%) have exceeded the 2022 provisional national results (68%) by 11%

Maths Higher Standard (GDS)

End of KS2 - LHPSN maths results (43%) the 2022 figures are not yet available but school have exceeded the 2019 national results (27%) by 16%

End of KS1 - LHPSN maths results (23%) have exceeded the 2022 provisional national results (15%) by 8%

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar Expected Standard (EXS)

End of KS2 - LHPSN SPaG results (87%) have exceeded the 2022 national results (72%) by 15%

End of KS1 - LHPSN SPaG results (60%) 2022 national results not yet available.

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar Higher Standard (GDS)

End of KS2 - LHPSN SPaG results (37%) the 2022 figures are not yet available but school is broadly in line with 2019 national results (36%)

End of KS1 - LHPSN SPaG results (18%) 2022 national results not yet available.

Combined Reading, Writing and Maths Expected Standard (EXS)

End of KS2 - combined results (73%) have exceeded the 2022 national results (59%) by 14%

End of KS1 - combined results (61.4%) have exceeded 2022 provisional national results (54%) by 7%

Combined Reading, Writing and Maths Higher Standard (GDS)

End of KS2 - combined results (17%) the 2022 figures are not yet available but school have exceeded the 2019 results (10%) by 7%

End of KS1 - combined results (3.5%) are lower than provisional national results (6%)

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the children, staff team and parents for all your hard work this year in delivering our whole school curriculum and ensuring our children have the very best educational opportunities available to them.



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Y6 Netball Tournament WINNERS!!

Congratulations to our TWO year 6 netball teams who attended the Grove Sports Partnership netball tournament on the 13th July. Our teams won 1st and 2nd place and demonstrated excellent skills and sportsmanship throughout. We are so very proud of our year 6 children. Well done year 6 Netballers!

Summer Fete

A huge thank you to all the families who donated for and attended the school summer fete. It was a lovely afternoon with much fun had by all! We also broke previous summer fete records by raising £2300 for the school towards our new iPads - Amazing work Team Lickey!

Safeguarding

The children are looking forward to their well-earned summer break! Please use these links for advice on keeping your family safe during the summer

Water safety - [ROSPA Canal and River](#)

[Trust Kids Health](#)

Beach safety - [RNLI](#) [BBC Safety](#)

Sun safety - [NHS](#) [NCT](#) [British Skin Foundation](#)

Railway safety - [Network Rail](#)

General summer holiday advice - [Child line](#)

We hope the advice on these pages help everyone to have a safe and happy summer.



Golden Book Stars

Arley M, Ruby W, Evie M, Joshua DD (4SB)

Finley M, George P, Jacob H, Alex E, Erin M, Georgina S, Benjamin H, Isabelle H, Elisa C, Austen B, Sofia D, Bram H, Sophie T (3MS)

Kanna E (3HT)

Ollie J, Barnaby E, Sophia F, Annika (1HB)

Dates for Diary

20.07 - KS2 Achievement Assembly

20.07 - Year 6 Leavers Disco

21.07 - Awards assembly KS1/KS2/EYFS

21.07 - Last day of term

21.07 - Year 6 Leavers Assembly

22.07 - SCHOOL IS CLOSED

05.09 - TED Day

06.09 - TED Day

07.09 - All children return



Celebrating Mrs Crompton

This week we celebrated an amazing milestone for one of our staff members - Mrs Crompton has served at LHPSN for 25 years!

Mrs Crompton said "I have loved all 25 years here at Lickey. We are all so lucky to work in a wonderful school with lovely children and staff. Hopefully I have another few years left in me to stay doing the job I love so much!"

Missing school books

Please could everybody have a look round at home, on your bookshelves and maybe under beds to see if you have any of our school reading books in your home? If you find any then please return them to school before the end of term.

Year 6 Production

Year 6 has been busy this week performing our production of 'Olivia' three times this week to the whole school and our families. Our show is set in Victorian times, traces the steps of Olivia, from downtrodden orphan to star of the stage. On her journey to the bright lights of London, she is befriended by Eliza and, after a series of adventures, becomes a singer in a new Gilbert and Sullivan show, thanks to the unlikely assistance of Fagin and The Artful Dodger. It included some splendid cameos for George Bernard Shaw, Ebenezer Scrooge, Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson. We have loved performing together and working hard to remember all of our lines and dance moves! We are all so appreciative to our parents and carers for providing us with amazing costumes and also the incredible Miss Hughes for her Westend-esque scenery and props. What a way to end this amazing year....nearly!

Twycross Zoo Trip

Reception had a wonderful time at the zoo today. It was lovely to see some of the animals we have been learning about this year. We are really proud of how sensible the children were. A big thank you to all the adults who supported us today.

The Bikeability Team need your help. We have a full programme of Bikeability school bookings ahead of us (no doubt you are booked in or awaiting dates) and a shortage of Instructors. We don't want schools to miss out therefore we are looking for your support. We would be very grateful if you could distribute our advert through your school communities, networks and partners.

<https://www.wmjobs.co.uk/job/131935/cycle-instructor-casual/>

Year 3/4 Fame Concert

Last Wednesday, year 3 and year 4 had a wonderful afternoon performing in front of almost 200 adults. Year 3 and Year 4 have had weekly lessons provided by Severn Arts teachers throughout the year. Year 3 have had weekly ukulele lessons and they loved being able to play such catchy songs and showcase their talents in school to such a large audience. Year 4 have had weekly cornet lessons, and while it is a tricky instrument to learn, they were all brilliant. Everyone was able to show how much they had practised and prepared for the concert. While there were nerves and some technical difficulties, every student should be incredibly proud of themselves for putting on such a great performance.

West Midlands Safari Park

Last week Year 1 went on a trip to West Midlands Safari Park to support their learning about Africa across their Literacy, Theme and Science lessons and what a fantastic day we had! We managed to spot lots of different animals on the drive through safari, the sumatran tigers were a favourite amongst the children but the lions coming extremely close to our coach did cause an absolute stir, we loved being able to see them up close. We also did a walking safari around the African Village which allowed us to get up close and personal with the ring-tailed lemurs, to feed the goats and to watch the meerkats dig new burrows. We really did have the best time and learned so many new and interesting facts about Africa!

