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## Lickey Hills Primary School and Nursery – School Newsletter

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023

This week's total school attendance is 93.3%



Dear Families,

I find myself reflecting on another two weeks absolutely full of amazing opportunities for our children! The work and pictures below outline what an exceptional range of experiences are on offer within our community.

Seeing the children in their spots and stripes for Children in Need to support less fortunate children and raise over £4000 is testament to all our family's commitment to our school beliefs, thank you all.

My favourite part of the last two weeks though has been the parents' evenings. Seeing you all come in and share your children's success with their teachers and leave with the satisfaction that they are being supported by staff who know them and are eager to encourage their success was a real pleasure.

Thank you again for all of your support in and out of school,  
Mr. Dathan  
Headteacher



### Date for Diaries

27.11 – Reception hearing test  
27.11 – YR1 trip to Lickey Church  
01.12 – Rocksteady Concert  
2.12 – SEN Drop in Session – EYFS  
8.12 – SEN drop in session – KS1/2  
11.12 – Christmas Carols on the playground  
13.12 – Well-being drop in session  
14.12 – Carol service at the Church – KS2  
14.12 – Songs around the Christmas Tree  
15.12 – Songs around the Christmas Tree  
18.12 – Yr 4 Trip Hindu Mandri Temple



### Golden Book Stars

Lumai H (4HR) Annabel C (4HR)

Viren D (4HR) Milo E (1HB)



### Fire Officer Visit

What an exciting day reception child had last Tuesday- we were visited by fire officers from Bromsgrove fire station. We enjoyed asking questions about what fire officers do and exploring the fire engine. The best part was when they set off the siren and the flashing lights.

Mrs. Garvey

### Fire Safety Checks

Following a Visit to Lickey Hills School, Bromsgrove Fire Station would like to invite anyone who would like a Home Fire Safety Check to book one. The Home Fire Safety Check is a free service that the Fire Service offers to ensure that you are safe in your home, it will include checking existing Smoke alarms and fitting new ones if required as well as giving advice in regard to fire safety.

As we are an operational crew we will be attending in the Fire Engine and will be more than happy to let children have a look around the Fire Engine while other members of the crew complete the check Please contact Hereford and Worcester Fire Service on 0800 032 1155 if you are interested or for further details.

Many thanks, Bromsgrove Fire Station





### BBC 500 Words

Thank you so much for all of the wonderful entries sent in for the BBC 500 words competition over the past few weeks. The competition closed on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November both nationally and in school. Whilst the winning national entries have not yet been selected, I thoroughly enjoyed reading the entries sent in for our school competition! We have such imaginative writers here at LHPSN and it was so tricky to just choose 1 winning entry per Key Stage!

I did however reach a final decision and have attached the winning entries below for you to read at home! Well done EVERYONE who entered. I hope you enjoy reading the winning entries below and best of luck to all who submitted their entries via the BBC 500 words webpage.

Mrs. Hawthorne

### The Circus

At the circus there was a mad lion with an orange mane and a little, black and white penguin there was even a shark that lived in a water dungeon. They all enjoyed playing with each other, especially playing tag. The next day there was a big crowd of people cheering. The shark did a backflip in the water and made a big splash. The penguin did a good dive in the deep, blue water and the lion did an enormous roar. The crowd said, "WOW"! It was the end of the day and the crowd of people went home to go to sleep. When there were no people at the circus the animals liked to get up to mischief, they tried to escape.

The lion tried to use his claws to grab the key from the shelf, but he couldn't. The shark tried to bash his cage with his head but it didn't work. The penguin tried to escape by going under a little tunnel in the water but, it was blocked. They decided to work all together. The lion saw a button on the shelf and a book fell on it and the button went BEEP, BEEP, BEEP, the cages opened a little bit. The lion did it again and it worked. The cages opened.

The owner woke up and came back to see if the animals were ok. The animals had to quickly get back into their cages and make sure the doors were shut.

The next day the owner of the circus brought a new tiger in. The tiger was stripy, hairy and big, but smaller than the lion. The tiger was scared of the lion and hid in the corner. The lion was sad, he didn't want the tiger to be afraid of him. The lion tried to make the tiger laugh. The lion tripped himself up on a marble but the tiger, didn't laugh. The lion was still sad so he thought of another idea. The lion decided to get bowling pins and try and juggle with them with his large paws but they fell on his head and it hurt and he said, "OWWWW"! This made the tiger roar with laughter and the tiger was happy to have a friend like the shark, the penguin and the lion. He was excited to perform with his new friends in the circus.

Isla D

### The Lawn Mowing Championships

Once, there was a society of animals in a Kingdom called Malland, it was separated into four towns. The first was Pet-Ville, where all pets lived from cats to pigs, then Reptilia where every reptile, big or small lived. Number three was Preyton where prey from voles to moose lived and fourth, but nobody would dare say least, Jeopardy; home of the predators.

The story starts in Preyton, at the local garage, where our champions Millie and Milo are adding the finishing touches to their racing lawnmower. A few days ago, they had been waiting with bated breath in front of the television at Milo's house, as an advert for Moose's chocolate mousse started. A moose stepped into view wearing jeans and a T-shirt and said in an excited voice 'Moose's chocolate mousse uses completely natural chocolate. Scooped up from the chocolate geyser mixed with cream and love. You can find it at supermarkets near you!'. The advert ended as dramatic music started. "This is it!" Millie exclaimed "I feel a daydream coming on" Milo gasped. She pictured herself and Millie revving the engine at the starting line; it was the preliminary round. As the starting pistol fired they sped off. They had to race for an acre and as usual the cheetahs were ahead, but they were gaining on them... The finish line was in sight... They'd worked hard for this... With the wind in her face, Milo stamped on the accelerator, but once again they only managed second place.

"Here are the animals who have made the finals of the lawn mowing championships" the alpaca on the screen read as she flicked through her cards. Chester and Kara, ten-time winners. Next to make it through are ten-time runners up, Millie and Milo and on she went through the list of finalists. "Goodnight Malland!"

The next day Millie woke with a start, it was the first day of the finals and she was meeting Milo at the garage to add finishing touches to their lawn mower. This year we will win, she thought! As they lined up, Kara and Chester smirked. "Gooooo" shouted the referee, they were off! It was exhilarating, the wind was in their faces. They were third, second.... The cheetahs beat them again.

The next few days rushed by second, second, second. With the final approaching they decided to pay the cheaters a visit, but they weren't at home. They spotted the Cheetah's lawn mower and next to it were 2 sacks marked SANDSTON; an illegal product that makes anything go faster. "They are cheating cheaters!" exclaimed Milo, "Quick they're coming! Take the bags."

At the final, the three remaining teams had to race 50 acres. The cheaters were muttering and looking very concerned. They were off!!! Third, second, they were neck and neck with the cheaters. The finish line was in sight, they jumped on the accelerator and... WON!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Finally, the golden lawnmower was theirs. "Cheetah's never prosper" declared Millie in her winning speech.

Orla K







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**Grand total raised for Children in Need this year £4052.36!**

### Children in Need

A fun day was had by all on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> with everyone helping to raise money for Children in Need. There were lots of fabulous Pudsey or spotty themed outfits, a delicious cake sale, a huge amount of fantastic colouring competition entries and a speedy Pudsey run with all children running a mile for RunPudsey. In total we raised an incredible £4052.36!!! Thank you as always for your support.



### Congratulations to all of our Pudsey colouring competition entries

We are pleased to share with you all of the winning entries for Children in Need 2023.

Winner:

Jack D (3MS), Owen R (4SB), Cara M (5HM), Grace B (6CW), Kyrese B (LB2)



### Anti-Bullying Week 2023

Last week was Anti-Bullying Week and the theme being "Making A Noise About Bullying." It began with children and staff wearing Odd Socks to celebrate how unique and different we all are. Throughout the week children have taken part in lessons and assemblies about being kind, friendships and understanding what bullying is and how we can stop it. Mrs Garvey would like to say a big thank you to Isabelle, Constance, Kanna, Phoebe and Abi who helped to organise the event.

Mrs. Garvey

