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Lickey Hills Primary School and Nursery – School Newsletter Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024



This week's total school attendance is 95.1%

Another frenetic two weeks!

We have seen so much action in school over the last two weeks, more visitors in, wonderful Mr Weston coming in to school to say a proper goodbye to all the children and staff. It was lovely to be able to give him a proper send off and the children did an excellent job!

Watching Year Three go out to support forestry work in Cofton Hacket and then seeing them come back having planted over a hundred trees beaming with pride was further testament to the life experiences that we are able to offer alongside the broad balanced curriculum on offer.

Parents' evenings went very well with a really positive atmosphere across the school. It was again really lovely to get a chance to meet so many of you and keep trying to put faces to names!

This is also the final newsletter before Easter, so I wanted to take the opportunity to wish Mrs Bowen all the luck in the world in her new role and first headship as well as thanking her for the years of hard work and commitment she has shown to the school community. Even in the two terms we have worked together, she has been a valuable asset and will be sorely missed.

We are also saying a sad farewell to Mrs Jalporte and Miss Brown in the office. They are always a friendly face at the school's front desk and voice on the telephone for helping our wonderful families to navigate school admin and pass on messages. I am sure you will join me in thanking them both for their devotion to the school over the last few years.

Thank you for all of your support throughout everything that we do,

Mr.Dathan Headteacher

## **Date for Diaries**

18.3 – YR4 trip to Think Tank

21.3 - EYFS Easter Event



22.3- YR1 trip to Blakesley Hall 22.3 - Last day of spring term 11.4 - SEN Drop in Session - EYFS

12.4 - SEN Drop in session - KS1 & KS2

## Golden Book Stars

Annie B (LB1)

Maisie C (1MK)

Cara M, Orla K, Isla C, Imogen T, Constance T, Quinn, Kanna E, Phoebe F (5HM)

Annabel C (4HR)

Danny J (5HM)

Evie B, Emilia P, Annabel C, Charles S (4HR)



Sporting News

Even though the second half of the spring term is only 5 weeks long, it has been one of our busiest for sporting events!

### KS1 girl's shooting stars festival

On Thursday 22nd February, we took 20 very enthusiastic KS1 girls to a Disney inspired football festival at Bromsgrove School. The girls completed a variety of football related activities and it was high spirits and smiles throughout!

#### <u>Year 5/6 netball</u>

On Tuesday 27th February, the Year 5/6 netball teams hosted a tournament here against Beaconside. It was great to see the children using the skills they have been practising in Netball Club and enjoying playing competitively: it's lovely to see our netball team evolve.

### KS2 girls #Letgirlsplay football festival

On Friday 8th March on International Women's day and in association with the FA's Let Girls Play campaign, we took a group of KS2 girls to a football festival. The girls were given the opportunity to practise various skills including defending, tackling and shooting. A really enjoyable afternoon which hopefully enthused some to take up the game!

#### Year 5 Hockey tournament

On Wednesday 13th March, I had the pleasure of taking 20 Year 5 children to a Hockey Tournament at Bromsgrove Hockey Club. The Year 5 children had completed a hockey unit in the Autumn Term and their skill and enthusiasm deserved an opportunity to play a competitive game. The children blew me away and it was a pleasure to observe their team approach, determination and competitive approach with some really fantastic goals!

Well done to each and every child that has taken part in these events. Watch out for more events throughout the Summer Term!

GO TEAM LICKEY!

Mrs. Matthews PE Lead





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# World Book Day

What a great day of celebrating all that is wonderful and magical about books! Our amazing staff and children dressed up as fictional characters, spoke about why they admired their chosen heroes and recommended books to read to their peers. There were some amazing entries in our 'potato character' competition and it was really hard to pick just one winner from each year group!

Congratulations to the following winners and we hope you like reading your prize!

EYFS: George, Y1: Aiven, Y2: Reyan, Y3: Betsy, Y4: Freddie, Y5: Constance, Y6: Tilly

But remember ... everyone's a winner of a FREE book! Children can swap their £1 token for any of the World Book Day books at booksellers (including supermarkets) or you can get £1 off any other book until 31st March.

Keep reading and sharing your favourite stories!

Dr. Kirby and Miss. Williams



