



Lynch Hill School Primary Academy Newsletter



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Aim High, Work Hard, Care Deeply

4th December 2020

A message from Mrs Tomlinson...

It has been a tough week this week and, at the starts and ends of the day, it has felt far too quiet at the gates and on the school drive with the number of children having to isolate. The miserable weather hasn't helped in raising our spirits but we know that we will feel much happier next week when more of our pupils can be back with us once again. For those currently having to access learning from home, work is being made available for you on DB Primary and on the school website. If you need work packs printed, we are more than happy to do this.

As I have said before, we are always grateful for any feedback given to the school and are constantly looking at ways to improve our offer. In light of the increase in confirmed positive covid cases at the school over the last week, we have had some parents suggest that children could be wearing face masks or visors to enter and leave the school site as they recognise that, despite the staggering of times, it can still be hard to socially distance. We have noticed that a growing number of children are indeed wearing masks or visors to and from school and, whilst they are not required for primary school aged children, we are more than happy for pupils to do this.

I hope that you have all now received your child's Autumn target card and the texts and emails regarding booking a telephone consultation with the class teacher. If you are struggling with this or have not received the information, please do call the school office and we will be able to assist you.

For those families eligible for free school meals, a text was sent to you earlier in the week. The text contained a link to a short questionnaire, asking whether you want to receive the winter fund vouchers which will cover the two-week Christmas break. Once we have had a response from all those eligible, we will place our order and you will receive your FSM voucher via email. This can be spent at a range of supermarkets. We will update you with when to expect it.

Have a wonderful weekend and see you next week.

Lindsey Tomlinson



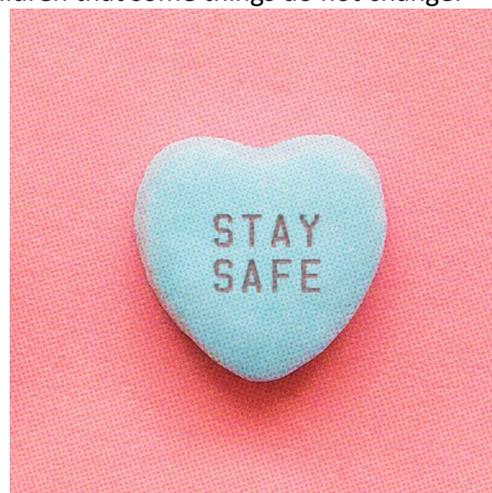
What's your constant?

As the government rules change again with the ending of lockdown and the reintroduction of the tier system, we are all facing change in what our lives look like. 2020 has been a year of many changes and having to be flexible, and for lots of us it can feel overwhelming. For children who gain a great deal of emotional security from consistency, this is especially hard. When we don't know what to expect, it is easy to feel overwhelmed. In your family or household bubble, have a think about what remains the same, no matter what. Name those things aloud with your children and highlight them every day. These things will be different for every family but some examples might be:

No matter what life looks like at the moment ...

- We will still love one another
- We will still have Friday movie night on the sofa
- We will still have bedtime stories
- We will still have breakfast together

Keep it simple, keep it do-able, and keep promoting to your children that some things do not change.



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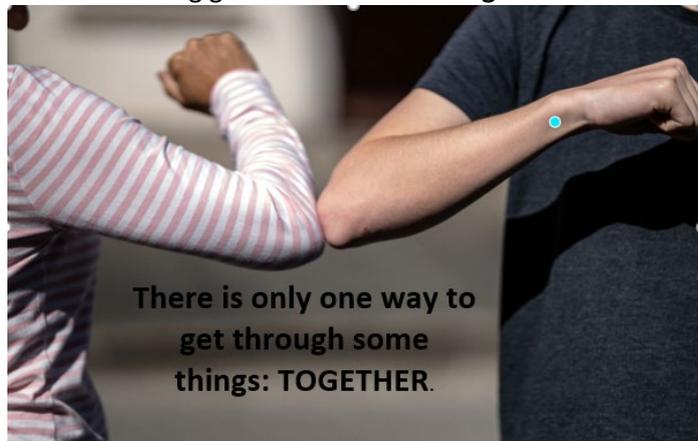
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Thought for the Week

Our IPC learning goal this week is: **Thoughtfulness**



Change of Address?

This week we sent out several target cards in the post, only to find that quite a few families had moved house but not updated their records with the school. If you have moved house, please let the school know by e-mailing office@lhspa.org.uk. Thank you.

Reporting Your Child's Absence

When contacting the school to let us know that your child will be absent please **phone** the school. Please do not send a text – these are not checked – and only send an e-mail if you are unable to phone. Thank you.

Parking (Again!)

Our office staff continue to spend a lot of time placating neighbours of the school whose drives or pathways have been blocked by inconsiderate parents at this school. Today we heard that a neighbour in Long Furlong Drive had their driveway blocked by a dad collecting from our school which meant the neighbour could not collect her own small child from Nursery in Taplow. When the dad was asked to move his car, he just shrugged his shoulders. *This is unacceptable.*

Did you know it is against the law to block a driveway?

Highway Code Rule 243, **you should not park near a school entrance** as well as anywhere that would prevent access for emergency services, at or near a bus stop, opposite or within 10 metres of a junction, **over a dropped kerb, and in front of an entrance to a property.**

Please let the people who drop off your children know about this in case they do not read the newsletter. We want our children to arrive to school safely!

We have been looking at ways that our parking situation can be improved. The Slough Borough website suggests the following:

- If you have problems with **vehicles obstructing the highway or if you think that a car is illegally or dangerously parked please report it to Thames Valley Police by calling 101.**
- If you observe a vehicle being **parked in breach of formal restriction e.g. yellow lines** or residents parking, this can be reported to the Parking Enforcement Control Room on **01753 551018**. There are usually lines or signs on or around the road alerting drivers to the restrictions in place.
- If you would like restrictions on pavement parking, speak to your local ward councillor in the first instance.

The more parents, carers and residents who make complaints to the correct authorities, the better chance we have of keeping the roads around the school clear and safe for the whole community.

School at Home on the Website

Weekly timetables with links to work set are now published on our website on a Monday morning on the School at Home tab:

<https://www.lhspprimaryacademy.org.uk/school-at-home>

Click on the relevant key stage and then on the year group link for the timetable to appear.

Breakfast Club

Please can we remind parents that Breakfast Club cards must be bought in advance. This is to ensure that enough food is prepared and that we have enough staff to cover the club. Thank you.

Christmas Shopping Online?

Please help to raise funds for Lynch Hill School whenever you shop online!



You can use easyfundraising to shop with over 3,300 big name retailers including Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, and eBay – and when you shop, you'll raise a **free** donation for us every time. **Getting a new phone?** Please check out the offers on mobiles through easyfundraising!

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Help support us:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/lynchhillschool/>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



Talking Therapies is a free NHS service here to support the residents of Berkshire aged 17+ who may be struggling with difficulties including:

low mood, anxiety and stress at this unprecedented time. If you are in need of support you can call the Talking Therapies admin team on 0300 365 2000, alternatively you can [Sign Up](#) via their website referral form. To find out more about Talking Therapies and the services they offer please [visit their website](#).

Milk Bottle Tops and Battery Recycling

Containers for these are in the foyer. Please bring in your bottle tops and small batteries so they can be recycled.

We are a Nut and Seed Free School

A reminder to parents that no nut or seed products of any kind should be brought in to school. This includes seeded bread. Even if your child has no allergies, we have a number of children and staff with **life threatening allergies** to the point where even the odour of nuts can induce a reaction. Thank you for your co-operation.

Important Dates for Your Diary

Friday 11 December	Christmas lunch
Friday 18 December	Non-uniform day End of Term 2
Monday 4 January	Inset day
Tuesday 5 January	Children return to school

Extended

Nursery

Places

AVAILABLE

Please contact the school office for more information:

01753 524170

office@lhspa.org.uk

Reception Admissions for September 2021

If you have a child who was born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017, you must apply for a Reception school place for September 2021 through Slough Borough Council

Reception applications:

- Opens - Saturday 12 September 2020
- Closes - Friday 15 January 2021.

More information is available online:

<http://www.slough.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions.aspx>

Our Admissions criteria is available on our website:

<https://www.lhprimaryacademy.org.uk/statutory-information/statutory-information>

Please be aware that, due to the current circumstances, we will not be offering tours of our Reception class or school. Instead, we have a video tour available on our website:

<https://www.lhprimaryacademy.org.uk/returning-to-school/early-years-tours>

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ISOLATING AT HOME

Your child may suddenly have to stay home from school and the family to isolate. Here are lots of ways for you all to keep healthy at home during isolation.

ACTIVE MOVEMENT

HWS HEALTH & WELLBEING SLOUGH

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

- ✓ Be as active as you can
- ✓ Stand up every 20minutes
- ✓ Walk often
- ✓ Try a virtual exercise class



SIT LESS, STAND OFTEN, MOVE MORE

- ✓ Reducing the time you are sitting is important.
- ✓ Play hide and seek around the house
- ✓ Progress to some gentle, frequent walks around the house or garden if you have one.



ACTIVE CHALLENGES

Set you and your family simple daily targets:

- ✓ Stand up together every 20 minutes
- ✓ Go for a walk of 1,000 paces around the house or garden every day (and take the stairs if you have them)
- ✓ Try a standathon. Who can stand up for the longest!
- ✓ Playing board or computer games? Making standing up part of the game (like when you throw a six)
- ✓ Make tidying up an Active Movement
- ✓ Let your child be in charge of being active for the day!



ACTIVE SCHOOLWORK

Being active helps memory, concentration and coming up with ideas.

Remind your child to:

- ✓ Stand up whilst learning important words
- ✓ Walk around whilst learning a phrase or thinking about an answer
- ✓ Stand up when reciting work
- ✓ Walk around the house for 5minutes before doing any mock tests or exams



WORKING FROM HOME

You may have to stay at home to look after an isolating child. Add standing and moving to your work routine too.

Standing conference calls can be much more dynamic!



PROTECT THE NHS

During your isolation period you should not leave your home.

If vulnerable and needing immediate support call **01753 944198**



HANDS



SPACE



FACE

GOOD FOOD HABITS

Now is a great time to develop good food habits.

Follow them as a family or group, then you can all remind and encourage each other to eat properly - and not too much!



ACTIVE SWAPS

Make simple changes by setting yourself some Active Swap days :

- ✓ Swap sugary drinks for water
- ✓ Swap chocolate for fruit
- ✓ Swap white bread for brown
- ✓ Swap a snack for a walk or exercise
- ✓ Swap cereal for boiled eggs
- ✓ Create a fresh food day

And remember standing up or a walk after a big meal is good for your digestion.



MORE TOP TIPS

- ✓ Stand up to brush your teeth twice a day with a fluoride toothpaste
- ✓ Sleep is important:
Primary age 10-11hrs
Secondary age 9-10hrs
Adults 7-9hrs



ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

There is lots of information and ideas of how to look after your mental and physical health on the "Health at Home" website.

For more information, visit:

www.publichealthslough.co.uk/campaigns/health-at-home

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EMOTIONAL WELLBEING

If you require further emotional support check out the following support resources:

- 1) Kooth - For secondary age children
- 2) Every Mind Matters - For all ages
- 3) Public Health Slough - For all ages



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EYFS Head-teacher Awards given to one child for achievement

RP	Oskar Wronowski	for	Making good progress in speed sounds lessons.
RK	Noah Ablott		Sharing his excitement and spreading Christmas cheer!
RD	Terran Bajwa		working so hard and growing in confidence with phonics.
RB	Ayana Riaz		Growing in confidence and making a super effort in her phonic lessons.

EYFS Praise Awards given to two children for achievement

Red	Freddie Smythe	for	Having the confidence to access all areas of learning independently.
	Jasleen Chahal		Joining in well with carpet time
Blue	Skye Newell		Amazing effort in maths.
Green	Hasan Sariq		Being a kind friend
	Hadiyah Ahmad		Amazing effort in maths
Yellow	Darrien Oranken		For amazing participation in our home learning activities
	Zahra Fatimah		Being confident when exploring in nursery
RP	Haniya Seeni Al Ameen		Making good progress in blending.
	Olly Dean Brennan		For making good progress in mark making.
RK	Ellie-Louise Goddard		Showing a keen interest writing numbers.
	Nahiya Fatima		Trying her best to explore activities independently.
RD	Muntaha Hassan		For being a kind friend.
	Yusuf Kureshi		For his independent maths skills.
RB	Eulana Stevenson		Her creative skills and for always being a very kind friend.
	Blu Banks		Making a super effort in his letter formation.

KS1 Head-Teacher Awards given to one child for achievement

1N	Aydin Ahmed		<p align="center">High Fives from Alfie Bear!</p> <p align="center">Congratulations to RP for having 98.7% attendance this week!</p>
1K	Kasim Zulfiqar		
1L	Kaelin Coutts		
1W	Lily Danek		
2G	Nela Galka		
2H	Demi Fleming		
2M	Hibba Zohaib		
2R	Amie Mybe		

KS1 Praise Awards given to two children for achievement

1N	Isaam Ahmed	for	For completing all the maths tasks online! Well done Isaam!
	Jackson Foster		For being a superstar in completing all the tasks online! Well done Jackson!
1K	Japneet Kaur		For super work online this week. Well done Japneet!
	Leon Swiatek		For super online work this week. Well done Leon!
1L	Lexey Ruffle		For being engaged in your online learning. Well done Lexey!
	Hanna Glogowska		For being engaged in your online learning. Well done Hanna!
1W	Thomas Wignall		Engaging really well with online learning. Well done Tommy!
	Svara Kathalana		Engaging really well with online learning. Well done Svara!
2G	Haniya Sajjad		Working hard on her poetry in English this week.
	Tayem Abdelaziz		Working hard to create a great piece of Art work.
2H	Ethel Athekame		Performing a poem beautifully.
	Jaimeson O'Connor		Performing a poem enthusiastically.
2M	Shivansh Mishra		Working really hard in Maths and using the correct methods to solve problems.
	Scarlet Murray		Working hard to improve her spelling and quality of her writing. Well done Scarlet!
2R	Ryan Hammami		For trying so hard all week in English- making fantastic contribution in our class poem performance.
	Haniah Syed		For being much more engaged in her work and for writing thoughtful responses in English.

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KS2 Praise Awards given to two children for achievement			
3R	All of 3R	for	For being resilient and working hard while isolating at home.
3P	Arbi Spahia		For his great ideas to build an amazing marble run
	Tiana Shah		For her great manners to everyone in Year 3
3A	Shannon Potter		For an amazing report which was full of interesting facts.
	Keshigan Ragumaran		For a very informative and interesting report on plants.
3B	Shaurya Yakulur		Always having amazing presentation in her books
	Marshall Scott		Completing his work during lesson time
4H	Zain Zaman		Independently writing a description of character which has wow adjectives.
	Martim Ricardo		His independent efforts in including interesting adjectives in his descriptive writing.
4O	Rehan Shazad		For beginning to put more effort into his classwork
	Aleshba Jones		For taking on feedback given to her to improve her work.
4D	Stuart Stevenson		For always being a great friend to his peers
	Hridyaa Sharma		Consistently trying her best to write extended sentences in English Writing
4P	Paige Legett		For working very hard in maths with division questions.
	Arjun Birring		For having a positive attitude towards learning and always trying his best in lessons
5A	Olivia Taylor		For her impressive writing of Harry Potter quest by using her planning and success criteria
	Moiz Waqas		For starting to volunteer in class. So proud of Moiz and keep it up!
5S	Moosa Mohamed		For showing a good effort to learn class poem
	Archie Messenger		For showing a good effort to learn class poem
5P	Taya Barker		Always showing excellent manners. Well done Taya!
	Panveer Sandhu		For a cheerful and positive attitude towards learning.
5T	Tatu Mushotsi		Always participating in class discussions sharing her knowledge with the rest of the class.
	Arham Shoyeb		His excellent maths work and participation in lessons.
6D	Aadam Faisal		Working very well with his peer and trying his best in all subjects.
	Roza Durlik		Taking advice from her peer in improving her work in English.
6P	All of 6P		For being resilient and working hard while isolating at home.
6S	Liam Okoro	Learning the lines of Graffiti Boy off by heart and inspiring the other classes	
	Aaryan Ali Jan	Working consistently hard in all lessons	
6J	Mohsin Shah	Trying hard to improve the presentation of his work	
	Zeeshan Shahzad	Trying hard to engage in more lessons	

Congratulations to 5T for having 100% attendance this week!

KS2 Head-Teacher Awards given to one pupil for achievement			
3R	All of 3R	for	For being resilient and working hard while isolating at home.
3P	Lian Saeed		For just being Lian. Loyal, well-behaved, hard-worker, funny and adorable
3A	Roseanne Ryder		So proud of Roseanne who is able to add 2 and 2 digits all by herself.
3B	Zoha Janjua		Shining like a star and always being ready to answer questions
4H	Mark Allchin		His efforts in independently completing all his tasks and working hard.
4D	Abdullah Khurram		For demonstrating his knowledge of Electricity in his Science work
4O	Bianca Danek		For paying more attention during lessons and following expectations given to complete her tasks.
4P	Zac Barton		For his engagement in lessons and working hard to complete his work
5A	Meah DoyleMeah		For excellent Quest writing by using excellent Noun phrases and Adverbial phrases. Keep it up Meah.
5S	Assanatou Jammeh		For excellent mathematical thinking in maths
5P	Anshitha Raparathi		Being an enthusiastic learner and working positively on feedback to improve her learning.
5T	Lexie Maringa		Having a positive attitude towards school and coming in with a smile on her face.

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6D	Christopher Daffern		Learning his times table and being a very enthusiastic reader.
6P	All of 6P		For being resilient and working hard while isolating at home.
6S	Cairo Langley		Working independently in maths lessons, adding and subtracting fractions.
6J	Zohaib Khan		Always working hard in all lessons and taking pride in his learning.

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