

29th April 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you so much to year 2 for their engaging class assembly last Tuesday. It was lovely to see them share what they'd learned across the last half term. We witnessed some great dance moves from their PE lessons which followed a Pirates theme which ultimately led to the children sharing their understanding of tempo and many examples of their walking the plank! Well done year 2.



**The Linking
Network**

This year, Year 4 have been taking part in the Linking Schools Project and they have been partnered with a similar aged class from Brookside Primary School. The children have been swapping

work with their partners since September so that they can learn a little bit about each other. Last week they had the opportunity to meet in person for the first-time. They all had so much fun and they can't wait for their new friends to come and visit us at our school in a few weeks!



Term time holidays update:

The government is introducing some new rules concerning Education Penalty Notice fines. These rules come into force on 19/8/2024 will therefore take effect from the start of the 2024-25 school year. The aim of the new rules is to reduce the number of days missed by children due to unauthorised absence, especially for unauthorised term time holidays.

When children miss school for term time holidays not only do they miss out on important learning but they often take time to settle back into their learning routines.

The government is strengthening the rules around Education Penalty Notices. These are fixed penalty fines which can be issued by the Local Authority where 10 or more sessions (5 days) of unauthorised absence take place.

They are most commonly issued to parents when a child misses school for a term time holiday taken without the permission of the school.

The new stronger rules will apply to all offences taking place after August 2024.

- For the first fine issued after the start of the 24-25 school year, the fine will increase to £80 per parent per child if paid within 21 days, or £160 if paid within 28 days.
- If a second fine is then issued to the same parent for the same child within three years of the first fine it will be for £160.
- Subsequent offences - no further fines can then be issued if two have already been issued to the same parent for the same child within the previous three years (starting with the date of the first fine); instead the parent will be prosecuted by the Local Authority in the Magistrates' Court. It's therefore more important than ever that parents arrange to take family holidays in the school holidays and not in term time.

In school we are looking forward to our upcoming class assemblies. All parents are welcome - no need for tickets! Just come to the main entrance for 9am on the day of your child's assembly. Class assembly dates: Early Years: 21.5.24



Best wishes,

Mrs Hill and Mr Bolan Ashworth

This Week our Class Captains are:

Mrs Woodworth: Noor – For always being a kind friend.

Mrs Evans: Corey – for a positive change in his behaviour. Keep it up!

Miss Burke: Ellis – for always working hard and setting a good example.

Mrs Brownrigg: Jumana – for setting a great example in every aspect of school life

Mrs Davies: Amelia – for always setting the best example to her peers.

Miss Irving: Serena – for always working hard across all subjects.

Mrs Parker: Zayyan for always showing kindness to others

This week Mrs Hill's award goes to Mafalda for aiming high in all lessons all of the time.

Mr Bolan-Ashworth's award goes Asher for excellent concentration and answers during maths

Diary Dates

- Tuesday 30th April - 9 o'clock year 4 class assembly
- Monday 13th May to Thursday 16th May – Year 6 SATs
- Tuesday 21st May – 9 o'clock Reception and Nursery class assembly
- Friday 24th May – Break up for half term
- Monday 10th June – return to school
- Wednesday 13th June - meeting for parents of year 5 and 6 meeting about the Sex and Relationships Education curriculum.
- Wednesday 19th June – Year 4 & 5 Halle Stay and Play
- Wednesday 3rd July – Summer Beach Party
- Monday - Wednesday 15th – 17th July – Year 6 Residential trip
- Friday 26th July – break up for Summer Holidays

The class with the best attendance last week was Year 6 class with 93.8%

Children will be given a treat for being on-time for school every day and for 97% - 100% attendance each week. Please ensure that children arrive at school before the bell goes at 8.55 each day.

Good attendance is vitally important for all children in order for them to make good progress. Please ensure that your child is in school on time every day.

PE Kits

PE kits are provided by school for all children from year 1 to 6, parents only need to provide pumps or trainers. PE kits will be washed regularly (as needed) by school in non-biological liquid. If you do not wish to use a school PE kit please let your class teacher know and provide a PE kit for your child.

Year 5 will have swimming on Monday each week, all other classes from year 1 to 6 will have two lessons each week where PE kits are used.

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The school twitter address is @LadybridgePS

The school phone number is 0161 428 5445

School uniform can be ordered from www.tesco.com/ues