

limeacademywatergall.london

# Message from the Deputy Headteacher:

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a very busy half term at Lime Academy Watergall and we would like to thank you for your ongoing support during what has been an unpredictable time. The children have been a real credit to themselves and to the school and we are immensely proud of the way in which they have returned.

Thank you for your cooperation with the site systems and rules that are in place. These will remain in place next half term and we will update you on any necessary changes, which result due to changing legislation.

This week we have had some lovely activities happening around school, including end of topic events such as chocolate making in year 4 and the presentation of the bike ability certificates and badges in year 5. The newly formed school council have also met today and started to make their plans for the year. Well done to all children who completed an application and congratulations to those selected - I know it was a very tough decision!

We also had a videographer spend the day with us on Tuesday capturing moments of excellent learning and the curriculum offer that we strive to provide at Lime Academy Watergall. We are excited to see the final results after half term and look forward to sharing this with you too. The videographer was very impressed with the children's behaviour, their commitment to their learning and the fantastic opportunities that we are able to provide.

Next term is looking likely to be another busy one too with lots of exciting events already planned on the calendar. So please take an opportunity to rest next week and recharge those batteries ready for Autumn term 2.

We hope that you are able to enjoy the half term break, which is taking place next week and we look forward to welcoming you all back for the start of term on Monday 2 November.

Mr Newstead

# **Attendance News:**

For the academic year our attendance target is 97%. As a school we monitor attendance daily to ensure that pupils in school and making the most of the learning opportunities on offer and make expected progress during the year.

Whole School Attendance: 96.42%					
Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
97.09%	95.93%	94.04%	97.04%	98.16%	95.00%

## **Half Term COVID – Updates**

If your child or a family member receives a positive COVID test result or develops symptoms over the half term break please email or call the school immediately on

office@limeacademywatergall.london or 07907 853657. It is very important that we continue to receive this information even during half term.

#### **Individual School Photos**

School photos will be taking place on 11<sup>th</sup> November. Due to the bubble system in school we not be able to take sibling photos this year. The photographer will follow our school rules surrounding Covid-19, they will wear PPE, and children will stand for the photo rather than sit down. All children must arrive in school uniform – 1CL and Year 4 should bring PE kits with them for this day only!

## **Absence**

If your child is off school poorly, please ensure that you call the school office on 01733 264238 and press option 1 by 8.30am. You need to call the school every day during a period of absence. If your child is off school and we have not heard from you as to the reason why they are not in school, it may be reported as an unauthorised absence.



#### **PE Kits**

PE kits for the colder weather should consist of a black or navy tracksuit with a white t-shirt and trainers. As PE kits are now being worn all day on PE days it is important that this standard is followed; as it is now our alternative uniform. Large logos, patterns and bright colours are not permitted.

#### **Dinner menu:**

Week commencing 2 November 2020

Monday	Carbonara Macaroni cheese Jacket potato with cheese & beans	Angel delight Yoghurt Cheese & biscuits Fruit
Tuesday	Cottage pie Quorn pie Cheese sandwich	Cookie Yoghurt Cheese & biscuits Fruit
Wednesday	Roast chicken Quorn fillet Jacket potato & tuna mayo	Flapjack Yoghurt Cheese & biscuits Fruit
Thursday  Bonfire  Special	Hot dog Quorn dog Ham sandwich	Iced sponge with sprinkles Yoghurt Cheese & biscuits Fruit
Friday	Quiche lorraine Cheese & onion quiche Turkey sandwich	Iced buns Yoghurt Cheese & biscuits Fruit

### **Year 6 Secondary School Applications**

Please remember that secondary school applications close on 31<sup>st</sup> October. To apply, please go to: <a href="https://live.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/Peterborough/Synergy/Parents/default.aspx">https://live.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/Peterborough/Synergy/Parents/default.aspx</a>

#### After school football clubs

After school football clubs will be running after half term. Year 5 will be on Thursdays and Year 3 will be on Fridays. Please sign up via Parentmail. You will be notified on Parentmail if your child has been allocated a place in this club during the first week back.

### Questions of the week:

We are aware that sometimes it is tricky for children to talk to parents about their learning from the week or that sometimes you get the answer "nothing" for all school questions. Therefore, we are now going to provide a prompt question for each year group every week, so that you can ask your child and get them talking about their amazing learning.

	Prompt for
	learning question of the week
EYFS	Can you name one of the
	funny jokes that the skeleton
	played on us this week?
Year	Can you think of any
1	exciting verbs (action
	words)?
Year	How many different
2	expressions can you
	demonstrate?
Year	What is the difference
3	between an input and an
	output?
Year	What happened on Mr
4	Romero's day out?
Year	What is the short formal
5	method for multiplication?
Year	How many sports can you
6	name in Spanish?

#### No sweets or treats

Please do not send sweets or treats into school for birthdays or other occasions. As per school policy we are not allowed to give these out.

### **Change to Year 3 PE Days**

Year 3 PE Days will now be Monday and Thursday. Please continue to send your child in suitable PE kits on these days.



#### **Christmas Cards**

This week children have been busy designing Christmas cards in school. Children will bring a copy of their design home and you can decide if you would like to order packs of cards using their personalized design. There will be 12 cards per pack and these will be priced at £5.00 per pack. To place your order please use ParentMail. Orders must be received by Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November. We cannot accept orders after this date.

# **Poppy Appeal**

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal:

From Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November until Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November, the poppy appeal boxes will circulate each classroom throughout the day. Children are welcome to bring money into school to support this appeal and to purchase merchandise. This image shows what is available:



Suggested donations set by the Royal British Legion are:

Poppies	Any donation
Poppy zip pulls	50p
Poppy key ring reflectors	50p
Poppy wristbands	£1
Poppy snap bands	£1.50

UPCOMING EVE	MTS III
2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Start of Autumn term 2
3rd Nov	Year 5 Swimming
4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 6 Anglo/Saxon Day
9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 5 Starlinks mobile planetarium – in school
10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 2 Great Fire of London Day
10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Parents Evening – Video calls
11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Parents Evening – Video calls
11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Individual School Photos
13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Children in Need – details to follow
27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 3&4 Exotic Animal Encounter
10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School Nurse Flu Immunisations
18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Break up for Christmas, <b>1.30pm</b> finish
4 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2021	Spring Term 1 starts