

Message from the Headteacher:

Dear Parents & Carers,

The first week of this half term has flown by! It was lovely to see the critical worker children returning to school on Monday and we are looking forward to welcoming all children back into school on Monday 8 March. A separate letter has been written regarding the reopening of school.

Since Christmas we have been very fortunate to have been invited to take part in some online author events organised by The National Literacy Trust. Years 1 to 6 all participated in different webinars before half term and had the opportunity to listen to different authors talk about their work. This week three year groups were able to join Matt Lucas in a webinar, whilst Guy Bass and Cressida Cowell are being joined by KS2 next week. If your child is remote learning, the links for these live events will be available on Class Dojo, please encourage your child to join in as they provide a fantastic opportunity for children to be engaged in reading for pleasure.

I hope that you will have already seen my recent letter about World Book Day. Please come up to school next week to collect your child's book for the event as this will allow all children to be part of the celebration whether they are in school or working remotely.

Over the Easter break we are having a new school kitchen fitted. As you can imagine, this is a significant job to fit into a relatively short timescale. Therefore in order to prepare the kitchen area and ensure that the work is complete for the start of the Summer Term, the kitchen will be running a reduced service for the last few days of this half term. Wednesday 17 March will be the last day that the kitchen will be providing a hot meal before the Easter break. From Thursday 18 March until Thursday 25 March meals will be a cold option only and will be in a grab and go style. In order to enable the kitchen staff to prepare for the last week of term, please complete the form on Parentmail if you would like to order your child a lunch from 18-25 March.

Mrs Wood
Headteacher

Remote Learning – Important Message

Just a reminder that remote learning set via the online platforms (Class dojo, PurpleMash) for next week is crucial in order to prepare your child for what they will be doing once they are back in class.

Completing the work set online, especially Destination Reader, will ensure that your child does not have a limited understanding of the learning happening in class from the 8th March.

Weekend COVID-19 Updates

If your child has a positive Covid-19 test or develops symptoms over the weekend please contact the school on:

office.watergall@limetrust.org or 07907 853657.

Dinner Menu w/c: 1st March

Monday	Sausage roll or vegetarian sausage roll. Mash potato Peas	Jam sponge and custard, yoghurt, cheese & biscuits, fruit
Tuesday	Carbonara, macaroni cheese, bread, sweetcorn	Waffle and syrup, Yoghurt, cheese & biscuits, fruit
Wednesday	Chicken or Quorn fillet, carrot, broccoli, and roast potatoes	Jelly and ice cream, yoghurt, cheese & biscuits, fruit
Thursday	Savoury mince or quorn mince, mash potato, broccoli	Cornflake tart, yoghurt, cheese & biscuits, fruit
Friday	Beef burger or vegetarian burger, chips, beans, or peas	Frozen yoghurt, yoghurt, cheese & biscuits, fruit

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	Why did Mog have to go to the vet?
Year 1	Which continent would you like to visit the most?
Year 2	What are the key words that you need to remember when designing a chair for a bear?
Year 3	How are volcanoes formed?
Year 4	How would you feel if you found a cursed item like the children in <i>Secrets of the Sun King</i> ?
Year 5	What are the similarities and differences between mammals and amphibians?
Year 6	What do you know about the digestive system and circulatory system?

Chroma Sports

The showroom remains closed until 12th April

In order to facilitate and support the return to school on 8th March Chroma Sports are offering a free click and collect service on the following times and days:

Wednesday 3rd March - 10am – 2pm

Thursday 4th March – 10am – 2pm

Friday 5th March – 10am – 2pm

Deliveries are going out as usual.

National Online Safety

Thank you for the number of parents who have already signed up to support the school through National Online Safety.

There are three online courses available to parents and for the school to achieve their accredited status for this academic year, we need some of you to take part in these please. These are:

- Online Safety for Parents of Children Aged 4-7 with Myleene Klass (5 to 10 minutes)
- Online Safety for Parents of Children Aged 7-11 with Myleene Klass (5 to 10 minutes)
- Annual Certificate in Online Safety Course for Parents & Carers (2020-21)

You can sign up for a free Parent/Carer account by using this link:

<http://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/lime-academy-watergall>

On the National Online Safety platform, you will be able to access a range of useful parental guides linked to e-safety and keeping your children safe online. There are many useful guides, tools and resources linked to the ever-growing list of apps available on mobile devices too, including Whatsapp, Tik Tok, Facebook, Instagram and online gaming.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Thanks,

Mr Ben Newstead
Deputy Headteacher

