

Lakeside News

'If you dream it, you can do it!'

Dear families,

This term has flown by! It has been a period of adjustment for everyone in terms of settling into the new routines which are in place to minimise the risk of Covid. The children seem to have settled into their classes and the 'new normal' very well which has been lovely to see. Thank you to all of our families who have helped with the adjustment by sticking to the allocated times and gates for drop off and collection and for using the year group email addresses to contact the teachers. These small changes really do help to make a big difference.

Our 'HelloYellow' day the other week was a great success. The children loved dressing in yellow and it really helped to brighten the moods of all in times which are perhaps a bit gloomy for some. Not only that, but as a school, we have managed to raise a huge £432 for the charity Young Minds Trust, supporting young people with mental health. Thank you to all of you donated to this important cause. At times like this, we need to support the mental health and wellbeing of all of those around us.

Parent conferences have taken place this week. Although we couldn't meet face to face, the majority of the meetings on Microsoft Teams seemed to work well. It was a great opportunity for parents and teachers to 'meet' for the first time in some cases and to discuss ways of moving forwards with the children. For those of you who had arranged a meeting, but had technical difficulties, the teachers will be in touch to have a conversation via the phone.

As always, we accept any feedback given from the families in our community. This half term has been full of challenges as we have tried to manage the Covid situation in the best possible way of keeping all of us safe. If you have any feedback for us, positive or negative, about your views on how we have handled things, we would very much appreciate it. Please do contact the office if you have any views you would like to share.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a relaxing and safe half term break and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday 2nd November.

Best wishes,

Miss Armstrong and the Lakeside Team

Our Curriculum Drivers

Our four Curriculum Drivers underpin all that we do here at Lakeside. They are Wellbeing, Community, The Great Outdoors and Wider Life Opportunities. This term our focus has really been on what opportunities we can provide to support our learning through wellbeing and being

Wellbeing

We are using our Zones of Regulation to help the children to understand their emotions and how they can be regulated. These are referred to throughout the school day so you might hear the children saying they are feeling a particular colour. Please look at the website for further infor-

The Great Outdoors

Lots of our learning across all subjects are being planned for to take place outdoors. Most children have also been taking part forest school sessions either with their class teachers or Mrs Thomason. Come rain or shine, we endeavour to be outside!





Hello Yellow Day

On the 9th October Lakeside took part in Young Minds, Hello Yellow day to celebrate World Mental Health Day!

We took part in lots of different mental health activities such as creating wellbeing superheroes, wellbeing bingo and developing our strategies to get us back to the green zone!

Each class took part in a photo challenge to take the 'Yellowist' most creative photo. The winning classes photo was... Eagles! Look at how they formed a large H and Y for Hello Yellow!



Collection Times

Thank you so much for all your help in making drop off and collection times work more smoothly. It really does help when you are only turning up in your allocated time slots.

Home times are always more busy than the mornings. In recent weeks, we have seen an increase in the number of cars who are trying to collect children which is causing me concern as we head into the Winter months. Please do try to walk/ bike or scooter into school where you can to help reduce traffic around the gates.

At the front of the school, there have been an increased number of drivers who are using the bay. On some days this has caused severe congestion on the roads due to parents wanting to stop and wait for their child to come out, those who are leaving their vehicles and some who keep circling to re-enter the drop off bay. I have contacted the council as I am highly concerned about the safety of the children who are leaving school as well as the congestion in the roads. Should this continue after half term, I will have to close the drop off bay at this time. We all need to have consideration for everyone in our community and small adjustments such as 'Park and Stride' can really help.

Finally, please can I ask that once you have collected your children that you leave the area surrounding the school. Space is extremely tight on the pavements and pathways and with the volume of people passing through in a small space, with social distancing in place, this is being made more challenging. Younger children who have been collected and are waiting for an older sibling should wait with their parents/ carers.

Thank you so much for your help and understanding in this. I am sure that if we all do our small bits, we will continue to ensure that we have the safest environment for all of us.

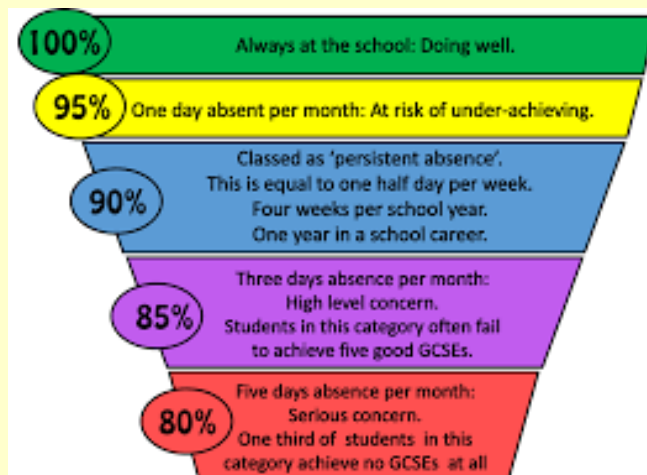
Attendance Champions

Well done to the following classes who have the highest attendance percentages for this half term:

Robins– 98.6%

Hawks– 98.8%

Owls – 98.3%



We do understand that many children are having to isolate due to other family members having Covid symptoms. Please make sure that if your child is off for anything related to Covid that they are accessing the work set by the teachers on Seesaw or Tapestry. If you don't have a login for this, please speak to your teacher.

Gates and Times for Collection and Drop Off

To avoid unnecessary congestion at gates where there is more than one year group, please only arrive in the times allocated to you. Each year group has a ten minute window to arrive in to ease the number of people all arriving at the same time.

Monday to Thursday (And Friday for those working families who have requested a place for Friday afternoon)

Year Group	Gate	Arrival Time	Collection Time
Reception	Computer Suite	8.50– 9.00	3.00-3.10
Year 1	Computer Suite	8.40- 8.50	3.10- 3.20
Year 2	Pedestrian Back Gate (New one which we have used this year due to building works)	8.50- 9.00	3.10- 3.20
Year 3	Vehicular Back Gate	8.50- 9.00	3.20- 3.30
Year 4	Vehicular Back Gate	8.40- 8.50	3.10-3.20
Year 5	Year 6	8.50- 9.00	3.10- 3.20
Year 6	Year 6	8.40- 8.50	3.20- 3.25
Siblings	Year 6	9.00-9.10	3.25- 3.30

Pease only arrive in the time slot allocated to your child's class and once you have collected your children, please leave the areas surrounding the school.

Friday Collection Times (Arrival times don't change)

Year Group	Gate	Collection Time
Reception	Computer Suite	12.30– 12.40
Year 1	Computer Suite	12.40-12.50
Year 2	Pedestrian Back Gate (New one which we have used this year due to building works)	12.50-1.00
Year 3	Vehicular Back Gate	1.00-1.10
Year 4	Vehicular Back Gate	12.50-1.00
Year 5	Year 6	12.50-1.00
Year 6	Year 6	1.00-1.05
Siblings	Year 6	1.05-1.10

School Photographs

Our school photographer came in and took portraits of our students on the 21st October 2020. Please don't forget to order with your early bird discount code **PHKZX9** as it runs out on the 8th November 2020.

If you did not receive a proof card from your child then click here and our photographer will search for any photos and let you know.

<https://ordermyphotos.co.uk/proofs/index.asp?eventcode=152343>