

Lakeside News

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

Dear families,

This week we have hit December which is usually one of the busiest months in the school year. Although we are still restricted by some of the Government guidelines, it is still looking pretty jam-packed with all of the things we can still do so that we can celebrate Christmas as best as we possibly can.

Our Early Years children (Nursery and Reception) have been busy preparing a Nativity in the woods which has been filmed and will be watched by all of the other year groups as well as being sent home for the families of those year groups too. We can't wait to see it!

A big thank you to Oscar's family who have managed to source a Christmas tree which has been donated by the local company 'Southdown Landscapes & Turf Co' in Mytchett.

Christmas lunches will still be taking place with each year group taking it in turns to use the hall for their day where they can enjoy festive music and decorations whilst enjoying their lunch. Mrs Benford has already emailed the menu out for this. There will be the usual class parties for the children to enjoy as well as well as a Reindeer Run in aid of Phyllis Tuckwell.

FoLPS have organised some events too. These include the Virtual Christmas Fayre, a 'Guess How Many Sweets in the Jar' game and an evening of entertainment on Friday 11th December– more details later on in the newsletter.

The weather has turned colder recently and I am aware that some children are beginning to feel chilly in the classrooms. Ventilation in the classrooms is an essential part of mitigating any Covid risks so please ensure they have layers of clothing on underneath their school uniform.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Miss Armstrong and the Lakeside Team



Phyllis Tuckwell Reindeer Run

During the last week of term, we will be taking part in the Reindeer Run in aid of the Phyllis Tuckwell charity. This charity is to support end of life care for local families and

patients who are living with advanced or terminal illness. Children from Nursery upwards will all be given a set of reindeer antlers and will participate in a sponsored fun run. Look out for more details!

Drop Off and Collection Times

Thank you very much to all of you who are enjoying the benefits of arriving and collecting any time in the 10 minute allocated window for each year group. This is really helping to ease some of the congestion.

We have now had two weeks of our trial of closing the layby off at collection times. There is a significant feeling of calm at the front of the school and the children are able to leave school safely. A huge thank you must go to all of you who have adjusted your routines to make this change. Feedback has been overwhelmingly positive.

I realise that parking can be tricky for parents using all four of our gates at present. Please do consider where you are parking and be mindful of our neighbours and not blocking their driveways. Perhaps leave a little earlier and allow time for a slightly longer stroll to get to the gate.

Please can I remind those parents who are collecting younger children before collecting an older sibling to please keep your child with you to avoid compromising other bubbles or families.

Use of the School Car Park

Please can we ask that unless you have been given specific permissions to do so, you don't use the car park for drop off and collection. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

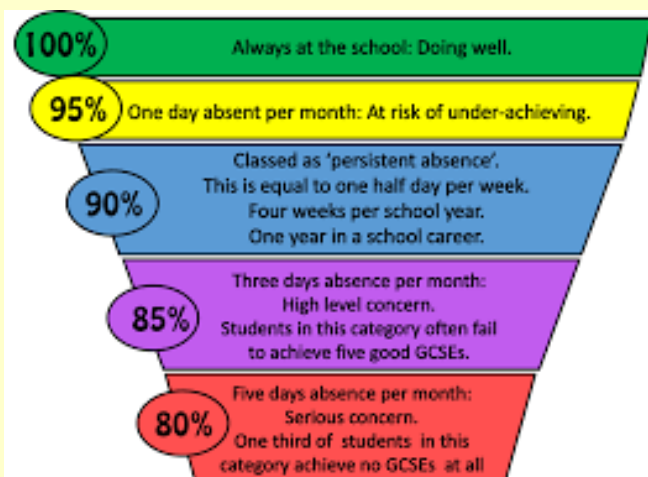
Attendance Champions

Well done to the following classes who have the highest attendance percentages since the last newsletter

Emperors– 99.54%

Owls– 99.2%

Hérons – 99.18%



We do understand that a number of 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. Please see our Contingency Plan in place. If you don't have a login for this, please speak to the class teacher.



Christmas Jumper Day

Remember to wear your Christmas jumper on Christmas Jumper day on Friday 11th December! We can't wait to see them!

To keep the festive spirit going, the children may also wear their Christmas jumper or a Christmas hat on the day they are having their Christmas lunch too.

Parent Rep Plea!

We are still looking for any potential parents out there who might like to become a little more involved with the school and their child's class. Since the last newsletter, we have had some more parents come forward to offer their time to help out with this role which is fabulous—thank you! We are still looking for volunteers for some classes so if you think you might have some spare time and would be willing to put yourself forward, please either contact the school office or your child's class teacher. We would absolutely love to hear from you!



Academy Council— Parent Representatives

Thank you to all of our candidates who have put themselves forward for the Parent Governor vacancies on our Academy Council. We would like to welcome Tom Culverhouse and Imogen Attrill, who I am sure will make a success of their new role.



FOLPS

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Guess How Many Sweets Are in the Jar!

Would you like to win this jar of sweets?

For £1 a go, you can guess how many sweets you think are in there. The jar will be available in the classrooms every day next week for children to have a good look at as well as during lunchtimes too. The child who has guessed most accurately will win the jar.

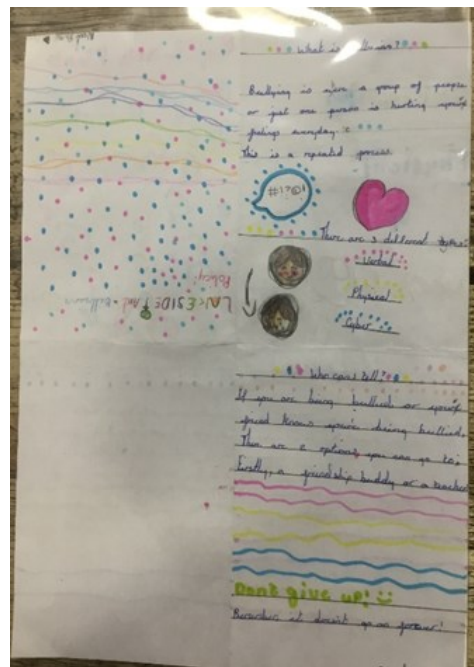
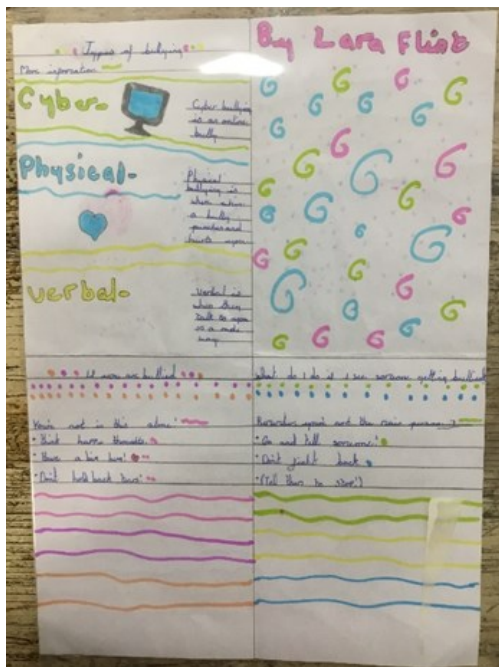
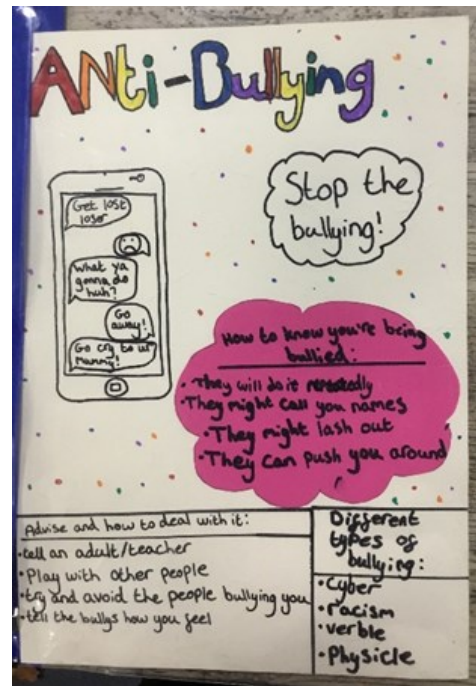
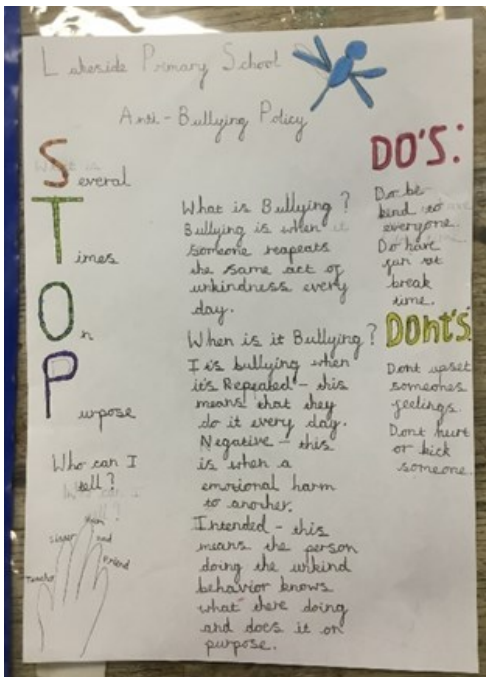
The competition closes on **Tuesday 15th December**.

Anti- Bullying Week

A few weeks ago, we celebrated Anti-Bullying week by taking part in a range of activities and online workshops run by The Diana Award.

Miss Wilkinson set us a challenge to create a child friendly version of our Anti-Bullying Policy. The Friendship buddies met around Jack's Pond to decide on the most important points to include from the policy. Children across the school set to work on creating their own version. The Friendship Buddies then met again the week after to choose their favourite versions.

We were very impressed with the range of policies created such as songs, posters, leaflets and videos/interviews. We also had an Anti-Bullying quiz in Friday's assembly to check how much we had learnt throughout the week.



Nursery Rhyme Week

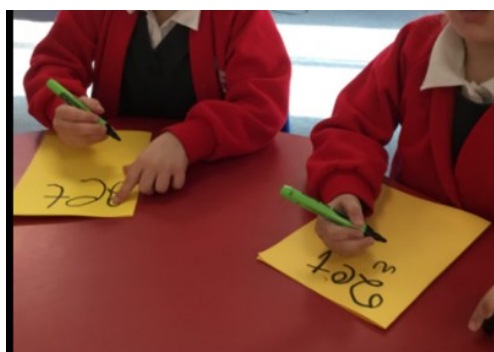
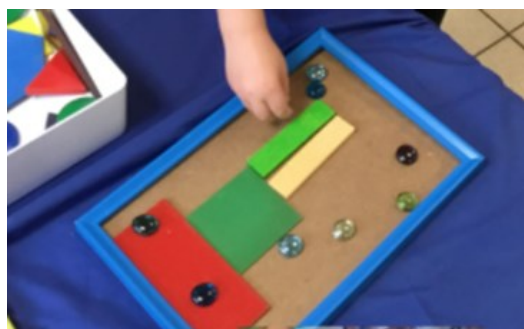
16th to 20th November

In Nursery, Reception and Year 1 we enjoyed a week full of rhyming activities. Developing children's knowledge of rhyme, rhythm and alliteration is vital in the beginning stages of reading. We explored a variety of classic Nursery Rhymes such as, Humpty Dumpty, Baa Baa Black Sheep and The Wheels on the Bus.

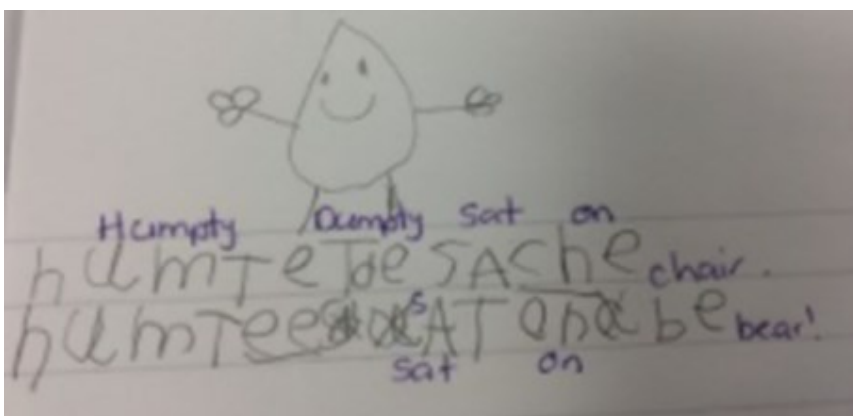
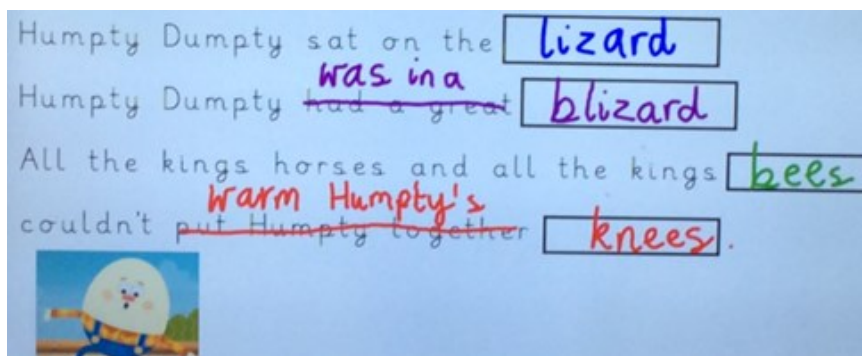
Within the Nursery the children used props and masks to sing and explore a variety of Nursery Rhymes. In the garden they spent time acting out Humpty Dumpty. They were able to sing a variety of Nursery Rhymes and were starting to fill in the gaps to match the rhyming words. "There's a worm at the bottom of the Garden" became a class favourite— resulting in a big dig for worms!



Reception explored Miss Molly had a Dolly and decided to make Get Well Soon cards for the Dolly. Whilst singing Round and Round the Garden, they created lists for a picnic and made friends for the teddy using transient art. The children particularly enjoyed making their own fishing rods and seeing which animals they would catch for 1,2,3,4,5 Once I Caught a Fish Alive!



Year 1 were faced with a Humpty Dumpty crime scene! They wrote police reports and explored different materials to keep the egg safe. They tested their safety jackets using real eggs. There were a few successes, but some eggs were smashed in the process! The children thought about changing the ending to Nursery Rhymes, which caused lots of laughter. They enjoy singing Silly Soup and making their own rhyming soup. At home see what objects you can find that rhyme and place these in your silly soup. If the objects don't rhyme to soup, the soup then becomes smelly, yucky soup!



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Virtual Christmas Games Friday 11th Dec

Join us from your home
for some virtual Christmas fun & games
via Zoom (codes will be emailed out before event)

4.00pm Christmas Scavenger Hunt

4.40pm Bingo

5.30pm Whose Christmas Jumper is this ?

Register before Wednesday 9th December at folps@hotmail.co.uk

This event is only open to pupils and families of Lakeside Primary School



FoLPS
Friends of Lakeside Primary School

Frimley Green Stone Painting Competition

Paint a stone with a Christmas theme, then drop your stone to Tara Barnett for judging @ 75 Wharf Road.

All painted stones will be placed around the Christmas tree on the Green on Sunday 19th Dec for the Community to enjoy!

Categories:

- Child up to 5 yrs
- Child 6 - 10 yrs
- Child 11 - 14 yrs
- Adult

Prize money / vouchers for 1st, 2nd and 3rd, sponsored by local businesses



Competition will close on Friday 17th December, Stones will be judged on Saturday Morning and winners announced by Monday 20th Dec.

Please bring your painted stones to Tara @ 75 Wharf Road to register and for judging, drop off will be contactless and clear on arrival, alternatively contact on hell.onwheels1965@gmail.com.

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