



School Newsletter

7th January 2022

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Learning Behaviour: Participation

Worship Theme: Rosa Parks-Respect for All



Happy New Year to everyone in our school community. I do hope you all had a super break. It is so lovely to see all the children back and a real reflection on families in our village that the children were far more excited to enjoy time with their relatives than to tell me about their presents.

At school we have already seen the impact of Omicron. We have nearly thirty cases across all age ranges and several staff members who are currently isolating. Of course this makes providing the best possible education for every child challenging. Our staff are such a terrific asset for the school with many of our brilliant support staff covering for teachers and those isolating doing everything they can to support learning. With this in mind I have been reviewing current attainment across our academy and am delighted to say that despite the impact of Covid our pupils continue to achieve significantly above expectation.

In today's newsletter we have printed a letter from Mike Sandys Director of Public Health and Jane Moore Director of Children and Family Services for Leicestershire. It outlines how important vaccine take up is. Please do read this if you have not yet had all three doses. Could we also reiterate that we would like parents to wear masks in the school grounds, particularly when waiting to collect children.

We currently have a few spaces available for our Foundation Unit starting in September 2022. Please pass this newsletter on to anyone in the locality who has a child who will be entering school this year.

We are really pleased to welcome Mrs Sarah Wilkinson to our year 4 teaching team, we hope she enjoys her time with us.

Finally, a reminder that children should be dressed appropriately for the weather. It has been a chilly start to the new term and, due to Covid, classroom windows and doors remain open. PE will also take place outside (when practicable). So, it may be worth popping a small blanket and tracksuit into bags next week.



Will start again next week



Well done to **Morrison** House who achieved the highest number of points last term.

House points will start again next week.

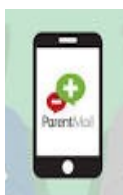
STARTING SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2022

Just a reminder that the deadline for first time admissions is fast approaching. So, if you have a child, or know someone who has a child who is due to start school in September, please apply online using the

Local Authority Portal by **15th JANUARY**

For further information please take a look at our Resources for new parents on our website [HERE](#)

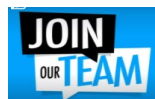
Absence reporting via Parentmail



Just a reminder that as well as the telephone absence line you are also able to report your child's absence via Parentmail.

Log in, click on "notify absence" then "select pupil" and "add reason" and "duration".

Current Vacancies



Midday Manager

Information can be found [HERE](#)

Lunchtime Supervisor

Information can be found [HERE](#)

Breakfast and After School Club Assistant (Wrap Around Care Assistant)

Information can be found [HERE](#)

Reading Raffle



The Reading Raffle will start again next week

PE Stars



PE Stars will start again next week

A message from the Director of Public Health and the Director of Children and Family Services

Dear Parent or Carer,

As the new school term starts, we want to provide the latest update regarding Covid 19 locally. The situation in Leicestershire remains concerning.

We are seeing the highest levels of Covid infection ever and numbers continue to rise – and we're asking for your support to help keep schools open, including getting your jab.

The start of term will undoubtedly cause infection to spread again but schools are doing everything they can to keep their doors open. Please continue to follow the latest advice. Wear a face covering where it's needed. Continue to wash hands and keep rooms ventilated.

Over the Christmas period, hospital admissions doubled and people were urged to get their Covid vaccine. More than 60,000 people were vaccinated between 20 and 26 December.

Sadly, the majority of hospital intensive care beds are being taken by Covid patients. Over 75% are unvaccinated, some will not make it home.

This is having a big impact on frontline health and care staff, as well as patients waiting for cancer and cardiac surgery who require an intensive care bed to have their operation.

This is the plea from our NHS colleagues: getting your jab is the single most important thing you can do to protect yourself and others.

There are still almost 190,000 people locally who are overdue a booster dose, which is essential for protection against Omicron, now the dominant variant.

- 16% of over 18s haven't had a first dose
- 34% of those aged 16 to 17 haven't had a first dose
- 54% of those aged 12 to 15 haven't had a first dose

Many clinics are walk-in, so you don't have to book.

Visit <https://bit.ly/LLRVacBook> for details.

We hope that lateral flow test availability remains stable, so please continue to test regularly – this is important as many people don't display symptoms.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mike Sandys Director of Public Health Leicestershire County Council	Jane Moore Director of Children and Family Services Leicestershire County Council
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Year 6
Ethan and Maia
Year 5
Charlotte and Phoenix
Year 4
Jayden and Lily
Year 3
Darcey, Alanna, Theo and Ruby
Year 2
Samuel
Year 1
Scarlet
EYFS
Teddy and Hannah

Diary Dates

12.01.2022 EYFS & Year 6 Measurement Programme
28.01.2022 Year 5 trip to Space Centre (re-scheduled)
07 - 10.02.2022 Wellbeing Week
10.02.2022 Last day of term



The KPA will hold its next meeting via Zoom on:-

Tuesday 18th January
at 7pm

Dial in details are as follows:

ID 829 749 1209
Passcode WbP52W

Everyone is welcome at this meeting, where we hope to discuss Spring term events and what to spend funds raised on. In addition, we would love to be able to hold a Summer Fayre this year so it would be great if as many people as possible can join the call on the 18th to discuss this in more detail.

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