



Mon 4 January 2021
School Reopens

Tues 12 January (3.30pm)
Virtual Y2 SATs
parents' meetings
(more details to follow)

In the new term, we have two staff returning from maternity leave. Mrs Tayeb re-joins 2B with Miss Whittingham, and Mrs Klemi will join Mrs Duckers to share the teaching in 4B.



Attendance Matters

This Week's Attendance

☹️ 95.3% ☹️

Class with the Best Attendance

😊 3B - 99.6% 😊

Most Punctual Class

😊 1L 😊

Remember Attendance Matters; Be in School All Day, Every Day

Thank You

for all the extremely lovely messages and gifts that the staff have received from pupils and parents. They are greatly appreciated, and we are once again bowled over by your generosity.



It's been an especially challenging term, but thanks to the support, flexibility and understanding shown by staff, pupils and parents, I think we have a lot to feel really positive about.

We hope you all have a fantastic, safe and relaxing Christmas break, and look forward to seeing you all safe and sound on:

Monday 4 January 2021!



A massive thank you to the PTFA for their continued efforts this term, in very challenging Covid circumstances. During the last two weeks they have organised/funded lots of activities:

- Christmas Jumper/Accessories Day was enjoyed by all, and the fabulous total of £186.30 was raised. Thank you to all the parents/carers for helping the children take part.
- Christmas Secrets' Room was hugely successful, with requests for over 200 presents being received! This event was particularly challenging due to social distancing, and the need to wear PPE but the PTFA did a fantastic job! The children thoroughly enjoyed picking their presents safely.
- Some naughty, funny elves visited Reception, Y1 and Y2 ... the elves stayed outside on the playground and entertained the children who watched from a safe distance!
- All children have been able to watch the 'Sleeping Beauty' pantomime, which they really enjoyed.

The PTFA wishes you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Enjoy the holidays!

#staysafe

Congratulations!

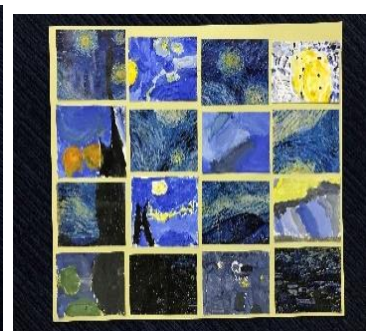
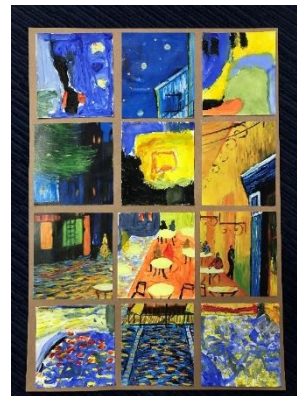
Congratulations to the **17** children who were awarded **Headteacher Awards** during the autumn term. Congratulations also to the **88** children who achieved an **'Always' band** this term.

Our Christmas talent show final took place today, after auditions in class earlier this week. Everyone 'virtually' watched an array of talent this morning and, as always, there were many prize winners. The overall **Talent Show winner**, who will keep the trophy for the next 6 months, is **Rayyaan Khan** - well done!

Alisha Patel is the first ever pupil to receive 'The Spirit of Ladybridge' trophy. Alisha is an excellent role model for others, in terms of her effort, attitude and behaviour as well as her all round positive contribution to life at Ladybridge.

Our Annual 'The Community Team Pupil of the Year' plaque (which proudly displays the names of winning pupils since 2014 in the school foyer) has been awarded to **Usman Shah** for his outstanding contribution to the recent Bolton Hospice fundraising.

Each week, we focus on work undertaken by a different class. This week, it was the turn of 3B who say ... During this half term, we have been exploring Van Gogh's artwork. We have looked at what kind of colours he used and have experimented with creating texture using sand, sugar and hay. Before painting our final piece, we needed to explore Van Gogh's style of painting in more detail. To understand this further, we each painted a small section of his artwork and concentrated on the shapes, brush strokes and colours he used. We put the sections together and these were the fabulous final results...



Attendance Matters

A huge 'Well Done' goes to the 138 children who received 100% Attendance Certificates for the autumn term - this is a massive increase from this time last year!

This year, our attendance target has been set at 96.5%, which we think is achievable for every pupil. This term, however, we only met that target on 4 occasions. Overall, our attendance for this term is 95.5%, which is disappointing as it is below the national average 😞

Such selflessness... THANK YOU



We are all completely overwhelmed by your kindness and generosity in supporting our 'Elf Run' event. Together, we have raised an incredible £3,427.41 for Bolton Hospice. Our pupils have shown an amazing amount of selflessness by raising sponsors, emptying their own money boxes and donating their pocket money - truly inspirational. I am so proud to be part of the Ladybridge community.



Thank you to everyone who supported this event. We have definitely sprinkled more than a little joy this Christmas. Ms Phillips



Our prize winners are...

★ Usman ★

★ Khadija ★

★ Aliyah ★

★ Marcus ★

New Parents - Reception 2021

Please be reminded that the application deadline for children applying for September 2021 Reception places, is 15 January 2021. The Local Authority sent letters earlier this month to prospective parents, encouraging online applications. A paper copy is available to collect from the office, if needed.

Useful Information

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Covid Update

If your child tests positive between now and Christmas Eve, please message Mr Watson via Class Dojo. This will enable us to contact the relevant parties as well as provide important information as part of 'track and trace'. Please also note that the self-isolation period (for anyone who has been in contact with someone who has tested positive) has been reduced from 14 days to 10 days.