

School Newsletter 28th February 2020





Tues 3 March
Class Photo Day

Thur 5 March
World Book Day

Tue 10 - Fri 13 March Book Fair

<u>Fri 13 March</u> Mothers' Day Secrets' Room

<u>Fri 13 March</u> Non-Uniform Day for Easter Egg Bingo Donations

Thur 26 March
Easter Egg Bingo



Attendance Matters

This Week's Attendance

8 96.2 8

<u>Class with the</u> Best <u>Attendance</u>

⇒ 5L and 6L - 99.3%
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Most Punctual Class

5L, 6L and 6B ©

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

HOMEWORK

Following feedback from parents on our 3C's sheets and parents' evenings, we need to <u>clarify school's position</u> on homework and our expectations. At the end of a day or week, we expect your child to be tired because they have worked hard at school. We also know that the children are very often engaged in various social, religious, sporting and leisure activities after school (which we actively encourage). As a result, getting children to complete homework can sometimes be a challenge, and should therefore be proportionate to the time and energy available:

- The first priority is always reading (because, once you can read well, you are then able to access all other learning).
- The **next two priorities** are to ensure **spellings** and **times tables** are learnt each week.
- Following that, every effort needs to be spent trying to REMEMBER the information in the subject organisers that have been sent home (Years 1 6 only). The subject organisers are a summary of your child's learning and your child is expected to remember and recall this learning at various points throughout the year (probably through a half-termly quiz). How your children remembers this learning is up to you...
- Some children will go through the organiser with you (or by themselves).
- You could ask questions to see if your child remembers what's in their subject organiser.
- Some parents/children will think of an activity linked to the subject organiser (eg. Mind map, model, A-Z, poem, mnemonic, diary, story, photos, drawing, wordsearch, etc), but this is entirely up to you!

Anything produced doesn't have to be bought into school, because the purpose is to help your child remember.

If you or your child still has time for more learning, then they can visit Purple Mash, Spelling Shed, TT Rockstars, Doodle Maths/MyMaths or ReadTheory (all logon and password information is in your child's planner). In addition, below are some useful websites, which include a range of activities, video clips, games and also printable worksheets:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize
http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/
https://www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/games-and-apps
https://www.tate.org.uk/kids/games-quizzes
http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/
https://www.topmarks.co.uk/
https://teachmykids.co.uk/
http://www.activityexpress.co.uk/
pinterest free printable worksheets

Please note that research findings about the impact of homework, at primary schools, are extremely mixed.



This year, to celebrate World Book Day, it's 'come to school in your pyjamas' day! Onesies are also welcome! We are celebrating reading, snuggling up with a book and sharing stories.

The Random Readers will be running a book cover competition, more information to follow! Each child will also receive a $\pounds 1$ book token that they can use to buy books at our annual Book Fair, which will run daily after school from Tuesday 10 until Friday 13 March.

Class Photos Tuesday 3 March.

If you have refused your child's photo consent to school (via the data collection form held by school), your child will NOT be included in the class photos. If, however, you wish to make an exception to the rule for this occasion only, please speak with the office staff who will provide you with a consent slip to be completed and retained by school.

Each week, we focus on work undertaken by a different class. This week, it was the turn of 3L ... Straight back to work for the first week back! Our new topic in Maths is measurement. The children have been measuring things around the classroom in millimetres, centimetres and metres. They have tried extra hard to ensure their ruler is always at 0 when they start measuring, to get the best possible reading. Can you find anything that is less than one metre in your house?



Would you like your child to buy their own present from our Mother's Day Secrets' Room for Mum, Grandma, Auntie or any other female they care for? The PTFA 'Secrets Room' will be open on Friday 13 March 2020 when your child can come and choose their own presents. All the presents will be wrapped and labelled ready for your child to take home and put away until

Mother's Day. If you would like your child to take part in this independent and personal experience, please fill in the form that was sent home today, and return to school in an envelope. The cost is £3.00 per present (CORRECT MONEY ONLY PLEASE - NO CHANGE CAN BE GIVEN) by Tuesday 10 March 2020 (please note no slips can be accepted after this date).

Collection Arrangements Reminder

If you need to make a change to your child's home time collection arrangements (eg. going to Labracadabra or being collected by a different person), please let the office know as early in the day as you possibly can. Recently, calls have been received as late as 3.30pm, or even when the children are already in the process of being dismissed after the bell has gone. As the end of the school day is a particularly busy time of day for the staff, it is not always possible to relay messages to teachers immediately. Please try to give as much advance notice as possible in order to ensure that all children are kept safe.

Useful Information

Tel: 01204 333646

Email: office@ladybridge.bolton.sch.uk

Are you 'assembly' ready?

- 1) Next week's theme is 'Engineers'.
- 2) Can you think of any synonyms for our theme?
- 3) Talk about the sorts of jobs that you think the theme includes?
- Website: www.ladybridgeprimaryschool.co.uk 4) Go on 'Life' and post your thoughts and ideas.