



Lydford Primary School – Nurture, Inspire, Achieve

14th January 2022

Spring is on its way

It has been delightful to return to school this week and access the signs of Spring in the forest school. Buds, new growth and bright sun have greeted us.

As we move into the Spring, the children will have great learning opportunities in and out of the classroom as we return to swimming, forest school and external visits. We can't wait to enjoy our learning!

Certificates

The children who have shown the strength of each of our values - **Nurture, Inspire, Achieve**, this week are-



Nurture – Megan

Inspire – Edward

Achieve – Andrew



Well done to Mrs Brendon

Mrs Brendon has recently been successful in her application to complete a teacher training apprenticeship. We are so proud and delighted to support Mrs Brendon's career. Mrs Brendon is due to start her teaching apprenticeship in June 2022 at one of our Trust schools. Whilst we will be sad to lose Mrs Brendon from the Lydford team, she will still be part of our Trust family and we wish her every success.

Swimming

The children enjoyed their first lesson at Ruby Oak. The instructors said that their behaviour was impeccable and that they were a joy to teach. Fantastic feedback!

Music lessons

Teachers have been bringing daily singing to school with the Voices foundation. In addition, Mrs Jolliffe is visiting the school on Fridays to deliver music sessions to all children. The children have loved the increased music and singing in school, as have the adults!

Dance with Miss Squire

Miss Squire is now joining us on Monday afternoons to lead dance sessions with all pupils. The children have enjoyed the first session and can't wait for next Monday.

Land surrounding Lydford School

As you will be aware, the land adjoining the school was recently sold at auction. Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust, on behalf of the school, have been in conversations with the purchaser and there are some exciting potential opportunities ahead. More information will follow when we have it.

OCRA Club

As there are some spaces for OCRA clubs we have opened this up to years 1 & 2. Please book via School Gateway if you would like your child to attend.

Thursday's Lunch

Everyone that has a school lunch on Thursday next week (20th January) will be entered into a prize draw.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club starts at 7.50am. Due to safeguarding reasons, it is essential that all children arrive at this time. Please book in advance via School Gateway so that we have a register each day and know who to expect in the morning.

Parents Forum

The next parent forum will be held on 10th February at 5pm

Covid risk assessments

The covid risk assessment has been updated on our website this week in line with new government guidance on isolation and testing.

In brief:

- Positive LFTs for those without symptoms DO NOT need a confirmatory PCR test.
- Those in contact with a positive case need to LFT test daily for 7 days.
- From Monday 17th January, the isolation period for a positive test has been reduced to 5 full days dependent upon 2 negative LFTs on day 5 and 6.

We continue to ensure the safety of our children at staff with the following measures:

- Ventilation in all classrooms
- Enhanced cleaning, especially of high touch services
- Face coverings for adults in communal spaces.

Dates

January 2022

Tues 18th – swimming

Tues 25th – swimming

February 2022

Tues 1st – swimming

Tues 8th – swimming

Thurs 10th – Parents Forum

Tues 15th – swimming

Mon 21st – Friday 25th Half Term

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The winner of this week's cake raffle is Spencer.
Thank you to Jo E for making this week's delicious treats.

The cake raffle is £1 per ticket each week.

