



NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

As football fever grips the country, and with only four weeks to go until the end of the summer term –the teachers are busy writing end of year school reports and preparing for parent consultations on Tuesday. The consultations are an excellent opportunity for yourself and teacher to discuss your child's learning and next steps.

On Thursday, our year six students who are attending Wixams Academy, will take part in a remote Transfer Day. For our Lakeview children, next Friday is the first of two Transfer days when children will spend the morning with their 'new' teacher and new classmates. The purpose of the morning is for adults and children to get to know a little bit more about each other and take part in collaborative learning activities. During the first morning, the activities will have art focus, whilst children are learning about their class identity and creating class artwork ready for the September classroom and the entrance hall into school.

On the second Transfer day children will take part in team building and outdoor activities. Due to the current Local Authority guidelines, we are still unable to have visitors in school and as a result it is unfortunate that some of our events have had to be cancelled. We are hopeful that the next academic year will see school return to normality and we are already planning for September. It is my aim to be able to invite you in to classrooms in the first few weeks of the new term to meet class teachers.

Lastly, thank you to those of you who have already responded to our parent survey regarding Friday afternoon opening – the full results and next steps will be communicated shortly.

MESSAGE FROM OUR PTA

As we approach the end of yet another school year we are disappointed that we haven't been able to put as many of our plans into action as we had hoped. Had Covid restrictions of eased, we would have been busy planning events such as: End of year Disco's, Summer Raffles, Tuck Shops and Ice Cream Fridays. However, brighter days are ahead and we will do these from September as well as planning for bigger & better events....watch this space!!

It's not all doom and gloom.... the mufti days are still something everyone can participate in and it's because of these, and your generosity, that the PTA have been able to fund new books for the school, purchase each child a Chocolate Egg at Easter and have also provided Year 6 leavers hoodies for the leaver celebrations.

Should you wish to be involved in the PTA or have any ideas or suggestions then please drop us a message via our Facebook Page (Friends of Lakeview PTA), whether you can spare 10 minutes once a month to an unlimited amount of time, we would love to hear from you. For the 2021/2022 school year we have an exciting list of events we would like wto run and it would be great to have some extra help so we can make them happen.



TRAFFIC CONCERNS

A LETTER FROM OUR HEAD BOY AND HEAD GIRL



I am really proud of our Lacey and Jude, our Head Girl and Head Boy who have penned this letter as a result of some of the concerns they and others have regarding traffic issues immediately outside of school and in our community. Thank you so much – you are a credit to our school and the Wixams community.

An open letter to the families of Wixams,

The pupils in Year 6 at Lakeview School have been discussing traffic safety. We wanted to make you aware of some of the issues we face when moving around the local community, including problems with traffic. We know it is everyone's responsibility to keep themselves and others safe. We love living in Wixams and we want to make it a safe utopia of a village for everyone. That is why we are sharing our thoughts with you.

Firstly, there seems to be a problem with parking. There are cars parked all along the sides of the roads. There is only room for one car to drive along the road which means cars might collide with each other. When we are walking and crossing the road to come to our school, it is difficult to see around the tall vehicles parked at the side of the road. Sometimes people walk into the road before looking left and right because they can't see until they are in the middle of the road. There have also been times where car drivers stop in parking spaces very quickly when we are walking past. There are some electric cars being used in the community, and they are difficult to hear, especially when there are lots of people around. This is a concerning danger as children may not notice these vehicles.

Some people are riding electric scooters. They move very quickly and some people are riding in the road as well as on the footpaths and when they move quickly around corners you can't always see them coming. We would like people with electric scooters to check when and where they are allowed to ride these as you might be breaking the law. Children are also riding their bikes in the road, doing wheelies and stunts. Often they do not have helmets on either which could lead to fatal injuries.

There are some road users who seem to be breaking the speed limit. Outside of Lakeview School, the road surface changes to bricks and this smooth surface might make your car speed up unintentionally. Please check you are going a maximum of 20 miles per hour. A further problem is that there is no drop-down kerb. This means younger children can walk in the road without knowing they are. Please be mindful of this if you are driving and, if you are walking, you have to look for yourself. We have also noticed children playing in car parks which is both risky and dangerous.

Next, the use of technology is also causing a problem for pedestrians as well as road users. Using a mobile phone when you are driving is against the law. Another problem is that people are looking at their phones, and using headphones, whilst crossing the road. We are concerned that these things combined are a recipe for disaster!

Finally, it has been reported that some children are being silly in the road, for example dancing when they think nothing is coming or walking carelessly in the middle of roads. I'm sure you will agree that these examples are very dangerous. Perhaps they don't realise what could happen?

We are sharing these things to keep young lives safe, and protect everyone who lives in our wonderful, caring village.

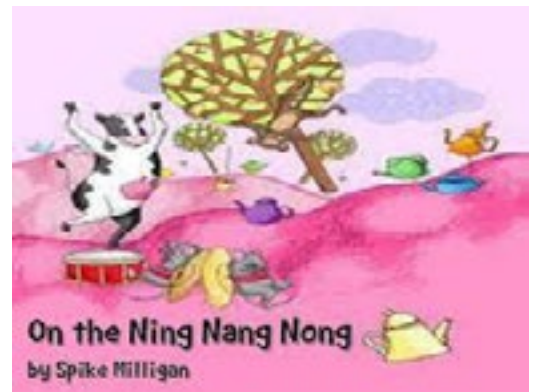
With best wishes

Lacey (Head Girl), Jude (Head Boy) and the Year 6 pupils at Lakeview School

This term in Year 1



In English, we have been learning about performance poetry, which the children really enjoyed. They have done an amazing job at reading and performing 'Ning Nang Nong' by Spike Milligan. They had a lot of fun creating actions and using loud voices when performing in a group. Isabella W said, 'I enjoyed performing and people watching me!' and George B said 'I enjoyed watching other performances.' Neve W said, 'I enjoyed experiencing the fun.' The teachers were so impressed with how well the children remembered the lines and the actions.



In Maths, the children have been exploring money and are now confidently recognising the value of a variety of different coins and notes. We read the book 'The Great Pet Sale' which the children loved and then we used this to solve practical money problems. Brayden said he loved learning about money because now he knows how much things are worth at Budgens!



The children have really enjoyed our 'Carnival of the Animals' topic where we have been learning the ancient African technique of weaving used this to create an under the sea art piece. They have also enjoyed designing, making and painting reptile sculptures.

We look forward to seeing more of your incredible work.

This term in Year 6 we have been learning...

Preparations are currently underway for our end of year performance and the children are really excited about the opportunity to showcase their development throughout their time at Lakeview. Keep an eye out for some masked teachers and some devilish challenges set by the taskmaster themselves! In class, Year 6 have been working really hard and thoroughly enjoying reading the text 'Rooftoppers' by Katherine Rundell. They have engaged really well in asking questions and using drama to further understand the text, producing some outstanding pieces of writing as a result.



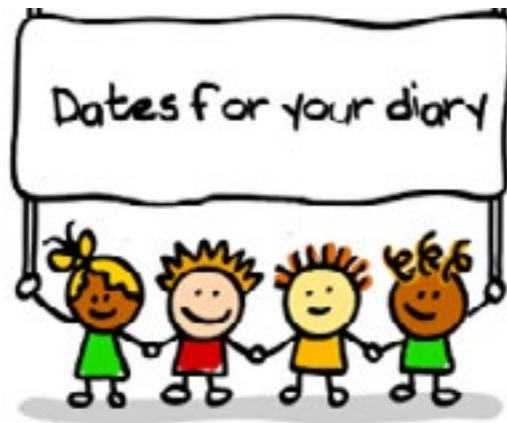
Year 6 science investigation

In Science, the children have really enjoyed designing, conducting and reviewing an experiment about shadows and used their fantastic knowledge to predict what would happen to the size of the shadow by controlling variables. Their summaries were thoughtful and displayed a clear understanding of what they had learnt. Well done Year 6!

KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE



Please can we ask parents to park considerably at drop off and pick up times on School Lane and the surrounding areas so as not to inconvenience residents.



29/6/21

Telephone Parent Consultations

5/7/21

Healthy Lifestyles Week

Nursery morning children and Tadpoles Sports Day

Nursery afternoon children and Newts Sports Day

6/7/21

KS1 Sports Day

8/7/21

Year 6 Overnight Camping KS2 Sports Day

16/7/21

School reports sent home

PTA Mufti Day - buckets on gates

22/7/21

Last Day of Summer Term

31/7/21

Last day of ordering School Uniform from School Trends for guaranteed delivery by September

3/9/21

Nursery and Reception children,
1 hour stay and play sessions

6/9/21

Children return to school