

**Children and adults are at the heart of our school;**

**Our school is at the heart of our community.**

**From The Lakeview Team**

Welcome back ….

It has been a wonderful first week back – with Stunning Starts in Year 2, Year 3 and Year 5 to kick start our learning. Year 1, 4 and Year 6 are planning to host their learning events in the next week. Covid continues to cause chaos and we are trying our very best to ensure that everyone is safe, whilst still maintaining ‘normality’. It was great today to hand out my Head Teacher award to children in every class from Reception to Year 6 to celebrate our values champions and Stars of the Week - I know that Praise postcards are also on the way. Our amazing children have come back to school with a fantastic attitude to learning after a two-week break.

This term, our school development focus is very much on encouraging our children to read. The new school library is now officially open and children will coming home over the next week with their new reading for pleasure book. We will be taking children to the library at least one day each week to exchange their books, chill out and read, or to research for their learning. Please can we ask that you encourage your children to read at home, and even better, share a book with them – regardless of their age. All children should record the reading they have completed in their reading journal or planner as teachers will be discussing this with them each Friday morning.

**Mrs Jackie Normanton**

**Current Covid Guidelines**

**Adults and children absence and guidance - POSITIVE CASES ENDING ISOLATION ON DAY 7**

Since Wednesday 22 December, the 10 days self-isolation period for people who record a positive PCR test result for COVID-19 has been reduced to 7 days in most circumstances, unless you cannot test for any reason. Individuals may now take LFD tests on day 6 and day 7 of their self-isolation period. Those who receive two negative test results are no longer required to complete 10 full days of self-isolation. The first test must be taken,no earlier than day 6 of the self-isolation period and tests must be taken 24 hours apart. This also applies to children under 5, with LFD testing at parental or guardian discretion. If both these test results are negative, and you do not have a high temperature, you may end your self-isolation after the second negative test result and return to your education setting from day 7.Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation. Further information is available in the stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed COVID-19 infection.

**School Office Hours**

**NEW OFFICE OPENING TIMES** – The office will now be open from **8.00am** in the mornings until 4.00pm each day. These will come into effect as from Monday 10th January 2022.

**School Lunches**

Please note that from Monday 10th January 2022 we are no longer able to place lunch orders on your behalf, either in the school office or over the telephone – parents need to place orders on School Grid, at the latest by 8 30am on the day.

***School Events***

***Please can we ask all visitors who are attending school for an event to take a Lateral Flow Test on the day of coming into school. Proof of a LFT will be asked for at the door in order to allow access to enter the premises. LFTs are available from local pharmacy or go to this link:*** [***https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests***](https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests) ***We thank you in advance for your support in keeping everyone safe.***

Diary Dates

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| **Date** | **Event** | **Time** |
| 13.01.22 | Year 6 Mayan Visitor |  |
| 14.01.22 | Year 4 Stunning Start – Rotten Romans |  |
| 17.01.22 | Year 1 Stunning Start – Step Back in Time |  |
| 04.02.22 | Who is Bedford Performance – Years 1 & 3  Years 2 & 4 | 9 00 – 9 45 am  10 15 – 11 00 am |
| 11.02.22 | Who is Bedford Performance – Years 5 & 6 | 9 00 – 9 45 am |
| 21.02.22 | Children return to school after Half Term |  |
| 24.02.22 | Year 3 Swimming |  |
| 24.02.22 | Year 4 Verulamium Trip | 9 00 am – 3 10 pm |
| 11.03.22 | Years 3 & 4 Spring Multi Sports – Bedford Academy | PM |
| 22.03.22 | Spring Parent Consultation | 1 00 – 7 00 pm |
| 23.03.22 | KS! Spring Multi Skills – Biddenham International School | PM |
| March – TBC | Years 4 & 5 Cross Country – Alameda Middle School | 4 00 – 5 00 pm |
| 31.03.22 | PTA School Disco  Nursery and Reception  Years 1 & 2  Key Stage 2 | 4 15 – 5 00 pm  5 15 – 6 15 pm  6 30 – 7 30 pm |
| Spring 2022 | Easter PTA Spring Raffle |  |
| 01.04.22 | PTA Easter Egg Hunt |  |
| 01.04.22 | Last Day of Spring Term | 1 30 pm School Closes |

**Events in red are either additions or amendments 07.01.2022**