



### Lyon Park Primary School

December 2021

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful term it has been; the children have been participating in lots of exciting learning. Myself and Mrs Pacquette have had the pleasure of hearing all about this during our weekly assemblies; it is pleasing to hear how the children have recalled information from geography and history lessons and how this links to life in modern Britain.

Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, we have had to stop any educational off-site visits. However, this half term, I am delighted that our children are being given the opportunity to go out on some local walks, e.g. church, local walks, swimming. Finally, I hope that you all take some time to rest over this festive period; please look after yourselves and your loved ones. I would like to wish all who are celebrating, a Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year.

I shall see you all in January 2022!

Ms Bhambra ☺



#### CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December, children and staff are being asked to wear a Christmas jumper (this can also be a jumper of their choice or one that they decorate). Please can all children bring in £1.00 as we will be raising money for the Save the Children charity. The Save the Children movement operates in 117 countries around the world and gives care and attention to children based on their specific needs.



#### PE KIT

Please can I remind all parents / carers about the correct PE kit. All children need to wear a plain white or navy t-shirt and blue, black or grey joggers or shorts. Footwear should be plain black. Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct PE kit



#### UNIFORM

I am delighted to inform you that our new school sweatshirts, book bags, rucksacks and fleeces will be ready to be purchased from Rumbles Uniform shop from January 2022.

There is no expectation that children will need to wear the new sweatshirts for the remainder of this academic year and therefore if you do not wish to purchase these, that is fine. The new sweatshirts will be expected from September 2022.

I have noticed that many children are attending school wearing a range of jewellery, earrings, bracelets, necklaces, sparkly headbands, etc. Children are not to wear jewellery, with the exception of stud earrings. This can be extremely dangerous as children move around the school and whilst playing outside.

If children attend school wearing jewellery, they will be asked to hand this in to a member of staff and a parent / carer will be asked to collect it from the office.



#### NUT FREE SCHOOL

We have a number of children and adults at school, who have allergies to nuts; therefore, please ensure that your child does not bring these to school. For some of our children, even a slight touch of nuts can cause a severe allergic reaction.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### Autumn Term Holidays 2021

- Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day - Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2021
- Term ends - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021 @1:30pm
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022 - Staff Inset Day (Children not in school)
- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022 - First day of Term for children

*Please remember to book all holidays and leave outside of school hours; leave during term time will not be authorised, except for extenuating circumstances.*



## COATS, HATS, SCARVES, GLOVES

It has been wonderful to see many of our children dressed appropriately for the cold weather we are experiencing; please can all parents / carers ensure that children are appropriately dressed for school.

## ATTENDANCE ASSEMBLIES

I am pleased to inform you all that from January 2022, we will be relaunching our assemblies to celebrate good attendance. The following prizes will be up for grabs:

- 100% attendance - certificate and pencil
- Class with highest overall attendance - Pizza Party
- 1 x £30 Argos voucher for 100% attendance
- 4 x £10 Sainsburys vouchers for parents/carers of 100% attenders

Please remember to ensure that your child attends school every day and on time!

## FACE COVERINGS

Thank you to all of you, who have been able to wear a face covering. This provides a lot of reassurance to other children, staff and parents / carers regarding preventative measures to try and keep everybody safe.

Just a reminder that no more than 1 person will be allowed into the Office reception area at any time; this is to avoid overcrowding.

Thank you.



## CHIT CHAT MORNINGS & QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you to those of you who were able to attend out Parent / Carer Chit Chat morning. It was reassuring to hear about all of the positive things you had to say about how the school is progressing (a letter will follow to all parents / carers outlining this). We will also work on the areas that you highlighted for development.

Our next meeting will be in January 2022; this will be a Zoom meeting to allow for more of you to attend and will be held either before / after school.

Can I also say a huge thank you to all of you who completed the parent / carer questionnaire; we received **208** responses! I will send out an analysis of this alongside the Parent / Carer Promise letter.

## READING

Well done to the following children, who have made the most amount of progress within reading since September 2021:

Year 2: Maya (2L) & Ella (2L)  
Year 3: Harsiddhi (3L) & Himisha (3O)  
Year 4: Rudra (4L) & Dhara (4L)  
Year 5: Mansi (5L) & Nick (5Y)  
Year 6: Aiden (6L), Yashvi (6N)

Keep up the good work!



## COVID-19

Please remember to phone the school office (0208 902 5454) if your child displays any of the 3 covid-19 symptoms (high temperature, new continuous cough or loss or change to sense of taste or smell). **DO NOT** send your child to school. If you are unsure about isolation or quarantine rules, please phone the school office, who will then provide you with the correct guidance.

## **School Value of the Month: Sharing**

**"Life is all about sharing. If we are good at something, pass it on." Mary Berry**