

### Lyon Park Primary School

March 2021

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

What another wonderful term at Lyon Park; so much to celebrate and smile about. Our children have settled back into school very well and are certainly enjoying taking part in activities and learning alongside their friends. Some of them have certainly had a growth spurt! As I have walked around school, I am hearing and seeing lots of wonderful work taking place. I am also very excited about the launch of our School Twitter account; please do follow us and leave a comment or two.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our fabulous staff team, who have worked tirelessly throughout what has been quite a challenging term. Their resilience and sheer determination to wanting our children and families to do the best that they can has been commendable. How lucky our children are!

For those celebrating, I wish you a very Happy Easter. Have a wonderful holiday; stay safe and look after yourselves and each other.

Ms Bhambra ☺



#### INFORMING SCHOOL OF POSITIVE COVID-19 CASES OVER THE EASTER PERIOD

In order to make sure that we continue to keep the whole school community safe, it is important that families keep us updated with information around positive Covid-19 cases.

If your child develops the symptoms:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

then you must book them for a Covid test.

**If the test result is positive, please send an email to the following email address:**

[covid@lyonpark.brent.sch.uk](mailto:covid@lyonpark.brent.sch.uk)

This email account will be checked periodically over the Easter holidays.

In the email, please provide the full name of your child, who has tested positive and their class. This will allow school to be able to work with the NHS Track and Trace system to ensure that any other close contacts of your child or their Bubble are informed in case of having to self-isolate.

My hope is that we do not have any positive cases but I know that you will continue to support us in continuing to keep the whole school community safe.

**Please do not use this email address for any other communication.**

#### SCHOOL TWITTER ACCOUNT



To celebrate all the fantastic work and events that take place at our school, we have launched a school Twitter account so we that we can regularly share what is happening with all parents/carers, Governors and the wider community.

Please follow us at: @Lyonparkprimary

# Happy Easter!



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Term ends - Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 (Reception, Year 5 & Year 6 at 1:30pm) (Year 3 & Year 4 at 1:40pm) (Year 1 & Year 2 at 1:50pm)

## Summer Term Holidays 2021

First day of term - Monday 19th April 2021

Monday 3rd May 2021 - Bank Holiday (School Closed)

Half term - Monday 31st May 2021 to Friday 4th June 2021

Monday 28th June 2021 - INSET day (Children not in school)



### COMIC RELIEF

Thank you to all the parents/carers and staff who were very creative and supported the children to 'Do something funny for money!' this great cause will help many people in need here in the UK and people abroad.

**We raised £1740.55!**



## RAMADAN & FASTING

With Ramadan starting, we are aware that some children would like to fast during the school day. As the weather is becoming warmer and the school day can be quite a long for the children, we are advising that only our Year 6 children may fast. We strongly encourage parents/carers to encourage their children only to fast during the weekends, as a midday meal is essential for them to be able to fully concentrate during the school day. If any children who may be fasting require first aid for any reason, school will make the decision to allow your child to break that fast based on medical grounds. Safeguarding children in will always remain our upmost priority. For this reason we are also asking children not to fast on PE days due to dehydration, especially during the warmer months.

## READING

As part of World Book Day we asked the children to take part in a 'Spotted Reading' competition. Have a look at our fantastic winners! Lemarae -Year 4, Yasmien - Year 1 & Janvi - Nursery.



## School Value of the Month: Courage

**"Sometimes courage is the quiet voice saying I will try again tomorrow and never giving up."**



## **Hello Parents and Carers**

Here is your School Newsletter from Brent Libraries for March 2021

We have lots of exciting FREE events coming up for your children. If you want to book for any of these please go to this link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/brent-culture-service-9230553723>

Brent Library staff would like to thank those parents and carers who helped their children to join us in our class visit programme. It was wonderful to be able to see the children. Thank you all for allowing us into your homes at a very difficult time.

## **The Brent Library Newsletter can be found here:**

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKBRENT/bulletins/2c6197d> If you would like to sign up for a regular copy of this newsletter then email [libraries@brent.gov.uk](mailto:libraries@brent.gov.uk)

## **Regular Events**

### **Term-time only - Booksart Under 5s Story and Rhyme Session.**

Join us for 30 minutes of story and rhyme times for under 5s featuring all your favourite stories and nursery rhymes! Lots of fun, laughs and learning for you and your little one, all from the comfort of home.

### **Maths on Toast (Monthly) Saturday 24 April 12.30 – 1.30pm**

Join us and become a Maths on Toast spy! When you think of secret agents, you might think of disguises, magnifying glasses, foreign travel... but would you think of maths? Help us on our secret mission to crack codes and unravel secret messages using your logical and mathematical thinking.

Write a secret message after the session, then why not see if anyone can crack it? Suitable for children aged 4 - 12 and their families.

## **Easter Holiday Events for all the Family**

### **Boom! Tuesday 30 Mar 6.30 – 7.30pm**

Join illustrator Diana Ford and writer Jennifer Lunn as they read and discuss their book Boom! **This is an adult event.**

Created in collaboration with Drs Laura Haywood, Hayden Wilson and Katy Johnson, Boom! was designed to help families explore the emotional tangles and troubles that came with all being stuck at home.

Boom! was self-published digitally and free printed copies were circulated through grass roots community groups to families experiencing digital poverty across the UK.

### **Tuesday 6 Apr 2.00- 3.00pm and Thursday 15 Apr 2.00- 3.00pm**

Join Total Insight Theatre for a story about the most beautiful bird in the world who lived with a kind farmer who lived all alone. One day the Queen in a distant land asked for the bird, a peacock, to come to her castle and join her collection of the most beautiful things in the world. On the way the peacock meets lots of people in some very difficult situations and helps them out by giving them his feathers - leading to a tricky situation when he reaches the castle! Total Insight Theatre say: Our online workshops are designed to invite children to go on a virtual adventure with our theatremakers and popular puppets, building confidence and teamwork through interactive games and storytelling.

### **Wednesday 7 April 2.00 – 3.00pm and Wednesday 14 April 2:00 – 3.00pm**

Join bestselling cartoonist James from Comic Club for an eye-popping cartoon workshop! Learn secret skills used by the professionals, and create your own awesome Japanese manga style chibi supercharacters in an epic action-packed showdown! Design heroes, Villains, secret powers, cool costumes, cute sidekicks... the only limits are the limits of the imagination! Perfect for 7 - 11 years - all you need is a pencil, rubber, paper, and optional black outliner and colours!

**Thursday 8 April 11.30am – 12.30pm and Thursday 8 April 2.00-3.00pm**

Join children's author/performer Gareth P Jones for a collection of interactive songs, raps, stories and storytelling, all about his books, including his latest picture book, Rabunzel, his popular series, Ninja Meerkats and his recently published books, Dragon Detective.

**Tuesday 13 April 11:00am – 12noon**

As the seasons change, join storyteller John Kirk as he brings the best of the outdoors indoors, for a very special story hunt! This interactive scavenger hunt storytelling session is guaranteed to be 30 minutes of fun and will get you in the mood to reconnect with nature; whether it's a walk in the woods, exploring the park or just sitting in the garden, the sun's out and it's time to play!

**Joining Brent Libraries**

To join Brent Libraries and borrow our e-books you can do this at card at

<https://www.brent.gov.uk/services-for-residents/libraries/joining-a-library/>

To borrow books with your card download the Libby App and you will find a great selection to choose from.

If you have a library card and can't remember the number or PIN code please email

[libraries@brent.gov.uk](mailto:libraries@brent.gov.uk) with the name of the card holder, the postcode of the card holder and the date of birth of the card holder.

If you haven't used your library card for 2 years it will no longer be valid and you will need to join again. Joining a library is free and there is no charge to use the e-library.

For the latest information about our libraries go to

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**Brent Library Staff would like to wish you all a very happy and safe Easter Holiday.**