

## 4th February 2022



## Dear Parents,

We have had such a fantastic week. We are working hard on our manners around school, and I can tell you that so many children are being polite when they are in school - saying please and thank you when someone helps them, or saying hello to adults as they walk around the school. Well done children - we can see a huge difference already.

## **Drop off and collections from Tuesday 1st March:**

We are changing the way you will drop your child off at school and collect them at the end of the day. From Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March, we will be using the following system:

## **Drop Off:**

We will open the infant green gate (alleyway) for all children at 8.35am and you will drop them off at their classroom door or play-ground (KS2)

- Year 5 will go through the white door from the back playground. (This is the door next to the infant playground)
- Year 6 will walk round to their back door.
- We ask that junior parents, where possible, let the children walk in themselves from the green gate.

If you are coming onto the playground to drop off, please leave via the green gate outside Year 2.

A member of staff will be based here until the gate closes to take any messages.

## **Collections:**

The infant green gate will open at 3.05 for infant parents.

Reception and Year 1 will collect as normal from outside their classroom door.

Year 2 will be collected from the main playground by the wooden fence; they will be coming out of the white door onto the playground.

Once you have collected, please leave via the green gate outside Year 2.

If you are collecting older siblings, please make your way onto the main playground (Year R and 1 will need to loop back up the alleyway again)

Juniors can be collected at 3.15pm. We ask that parents come onto the main playground to collect their children and we will bring the children out to you.

Year 5 will come out of the white door on the playground.

Year 3 and Year 4 will be in the middle part of the playground

Year 6 towards the field side of the playground.

We ask that you leave via the green gate outside of Year 2.

A member of staff will be on the gate at the end of the day.

We do ask that children do not play with any of the equipment in the infant outside area. We are happy for them to play games on the big playground, under your supervision.

This is a trial to see how it goes and we welcome your feedback on this, once we get going.

## **Pancake Race**

We will be holding our annual Pancake Race on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March. It will start at 9.00am and parents and carers are invited to come and gather in our playground and watch the grand event. We will be selling teas and coffees and there will be a cake raffle to help us raise money for the school. It will be a lot of fun and we even have a parent and staff race at the end! Come and help us celebrate and cheer your child's house on.



## **Parents Evening:**

We will be holding Parents Evening on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March and Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March, both from 3.30pm until 6.00pm. More details will follow on how to book but we are looking to hold these as face-to-face meetings. Please put these dates in your diary ready.

## **Parent Helpers:**

If you would like to be a parent helper in school, then we will be welcoming you back after half term. Please can you let the office know if you are interested, so we can make sure you have a DBS in place and that we can ensure you receive Safeguarding training. We will be running Safeguarding training for all staff and Governors on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February from 9.00am to 10.30am which parent helpers can attend. I appreciate this is an Inset day and your children will be at home, so this date may not work for you. We will, therefore, be running a Safeguarding session for parent helpers on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March from 9.00am to 10.30am. Please let the office know if you would like to attend either session.

## **Behaviour Working Party:**

We are reviewing our current behaviour policy including bullying and we would love to get a group of staff, parents, governors and children together to help with this. If you are interested in being a part of this exciting project, please let the office know.

## **PALS** meeting:

This has been rearranged to March 9th at 8.45am We do need volunteers to help with this.



## Hair

Please remember that for Health and Safety reasons, long hair should be tied back in school and not left loose.

## You have been Flamingoed:

The Billingshurst and District Lions are supporting our school in so many ways - money for resources, books for children and volunteers for our DIY day. But did you know that you can also order a 'Flamingoed' surprise for friends and family? This is where they will, in the dead of night, flamingo your garden, to celebrate a birthday, new job or other special event. We attach a flyer for this with our newsletter. It all helps to raise money so they can support schools and groups within our community.



## Feedback:

We absolutely welcome your feedback so please feel free to email <a href="mailto:head@loxwoodschool.com">head@loxwoodschool.com</a> or <a href="mailto:messages@loxwoodschool.com">messages@loxwoodschool.com</a> if you have any feedback for us.

# Feedback: If you want to provide us with feedback regarding our school, please do so here.

Children's Mental Health week themed 'Growing Together'
Safer Internet Day
U-KS2 Basketball Tournament
Safeguarding training for parent helpers 9.00am to 10.30am
Pancake Races 9.00am to 9.30am
U-KS2 Cross Country
Parents to join celebration assembly when their child has received a certificate
DIY day in school 9.00am to 3.00pm
Parents Evening 3.30pm to 6.00pm
Safeguarding training for parent helpers 9.00am to 10.30am.
Parents Evening 3.30pm to 6.00pm
L-KS2 Football tournament
Spring Term House Matches (including Y6 Parents' Matches)
Comic Relief Day – watch

1st July 2022

Half Term / End of Term Holidays 2021/22		
Friday 18th February	Last day of half term	
Monday 21st February—Friday 25th February	Half term	
Tuesday 1st March	Return to school	
Friday 8th April	Last day of term	
Monday 11th April—Friday 22nd April	Easter holidays	
Monday 25th April	Return to school	
Friday 27th May	Last day of half term	
Monday 30th May—Friday 3rd June	Half term	
Tuesday 7th June	Return to school	
Thursday 21st July	End of term	

# INSET days for this Academic Year Monday 28th February 2022 Monday 6th June 2022



## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHILDREN WHO RECEIVED A CELEBRATION CERTIFICATE

Acorns	Eric for Challenge
Oak Class	Phoebe W for Dedication
Willow Class	Woody for Ambition and Alesha for Self-Belief
Rowan Class	Kyle for Commitment and Rosy-Mai for Independence
Sycamore Class	Penelope for Attitude and Annie for Confidence
Mulberry Class	Chloe for Enthusiasm and Lilia for Confidence
<b>Chestnut Class</b>	Amelia for Dedication and Lily for Perseverance
Headteacher	Jordan Venter for politeness
Award	

Summer Fayre

Kindness Tree	
Ollie	Year 2
Akido	Year 2
Aiden	Year 5
Isla G	Year 2
Dexter	Year R
Harry	Year 6
Joshua	Year 1
Hugh	Year 2
Max	Year 5