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Lionwood Infant and Nursery School Newsletter

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To all our parents and children at Lionwood Infant and Nursery,

Wow! It was so wonderful to see everyone this morning - big smiles all around from parents, children and staff!

I would like to thank all our Year 1 and Year 2 parents/carers for their patience this morning as we welcomed everyone back. It was a bit slow today because we wanted to make sure everyone felt comfortable and knew their teachers as for many of our children, this was the first time meeting their new teacher - and the first time the teachers met their new class! This process will speed up over the next week and I would like to thank all parents for following social distancing guidelines.

We cannot wait until Monday when we also welcome back Reception and Nursery.

Best wishes,

Miss Kingsley and all the Lionwood Team

CONTACT INFO

It's really important your contact details for the school are up-to-date. If your mobile, email or home address have changed, please ensure that you contact the school office immediately in order to receive messages.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

If you need to contact us for any reason, please do so via email office@lionwoodinfantandnursery.co.uk or call us on **01603 433 957**. At Lionwood we are proud of the great relationship we have with our families and as we adjust to a new way of doing things, we still want to ensure that you still feel listened to and that you can talk to us about any concerns or ideas you have—even if now this has to be communicated in slightly different ways.

If you have any information you need to pass on to your child's teacher or another member of staff, rather than discussing this at the school gate, please do so via the email address above or call the school.

IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Your child must bring a **named water bottle in to school**. These will need to stay in school and can be either a plastic refillable bottle or a special one—I saw a spectacular minecraft one today!

As per government guidelines, **only 1 adult per household can pick-up and drop children off**. I understand that today was the first day back but this must be adhered to avoid congestion at the entrances and reduce risk.

We have been sent a government letter about attendance that we have been instructed to send all parents— please be assured that the school will be doing whatever we can to help parents who need support.



SUPPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY

Thank you to all those families that came to activities at Pilling Park over the summer holidays. It was great to see you all positively working with your children to make kites, puppets, books, complete treasure hunts, family quizzes and enjoy the many picnics, BBQ's and Bolognese lunches. We all enjoyed Boogie Bounce, family Yoga, football coaching and trips out to beaches with plenty of sand castle building, splashing in the sea and rock pooling. Well done to all the parents and carers - the children's behaviour was amazing!

Hamper delivery continues weekly to those families that have approached us for support. These hampers are still available and the current scheme is running until December.

If you need support please call the school and we can chat to you about how we can support.

Thorpe Helping Hands are still helping with this distribution and also offer a check and chat line to give additional support during the Covid pandemic 01622 370527 this is a freephone number.



STAYING CONNECTED AT LIONWOOD INFANT AND NURSERY

We will send out reminders to parents for ClassDojo this week
- keep an eye out in your email inbox!



ILLNESS

All the usual procedures apply for illness except in the case of a child or member of household having symptoms of COVID-19

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Pupils, staff and other adults must not come into the school if they have coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms or have tested positive in at least the last 10 days and anyone developing those symptoms during the school day will be sent home.

If anyone in the school becomes unwell with a new and persistent cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), they will be sent home, given testing information and advised to follow guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection, which sets out that they should self-isolate for at least 10 days and should arrange to have a test to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19).

If they have tested positive whilst not experiencing symptoms but develop symptoms during the isolation period, they should restart the 10-day isolation period from the day they develop symptoms.

Other members of their household (including any siblings) should self-isolate for 14 days from when the symptomatic person first had symptoms.

Any queries—please contact the school office.