

# **Lambley Primary School**

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## 'Ready, Respectful & Resilient'

## A great start to the term

I would like to begin by saying thank you for all your kind words and congratulations over the last two weeks. My partner Ceri and our new baby Betsy are doing really well and Maisie is a very proud big sister. We are so, so lucky! Thank you again for your kind words.

I also want to stress how great it is to be back at school and how proud I am of the children. They have come back to school with a super attitude and are working really hard. What a great start to the year!

#### **Values**

Throughout the year, we will be talking to the children about a range of key values. Values are principles that guide our thinking and behaviour. Focusing on these characteristics will not only help our learning now but will provide us all with principles to carry forward in our lives.

Currently, we are talking to the children about being 'ready.' During these early few weeks, we are encouraging the children to show us that they are focused, prepared and motivated to learn. Not only do we talk about it with the children but we also celebrate it at our weekly 'Reach For the Stars' assembly.

We hope that you will also talk to the children about these values at home. Please ask them how they can ensure they are ready for school or ask them how they showed they were focused at school today. By working together, we can ensure that all the children at Lambley can flourish and develop lifelong learning skills.

## Start of the day

To help us with getting the children focused and ready to learn straight away, we ask that when you drop your child off at school that you say goodbye to them at the door to their classroom rather than walk into the cloakroom or classroom with them. They will always be greeted by their class teacher or a teaching assistant and this way they are ready to learn right away. Should you want to talk to the class teacher, then by all means come into school but if you are just dropping your child off, we ask that you say goodbye at the door. Many thanks for your support with this.

#### **Attendance**

I would like to stress how proud I am of the attendance and punctuality at Lambley Primary School. Good attendance is essential in ensuring that every child achieves their potential. Regular attendance allows for continuity, a deeper understanding of the work and enables the children to work at their optimum pace (they are not having to catch up). Firstly, I would like to thank you all for your support with this and secondly, I would like to draw your attention to the leaflet sent with this newsletter. At the beginning of a school year, I think it is important to reflect on why regular attendance is so

We believe that safeguarding children is everyone's responsibility.

important and also stress the impact of regular absence. Let me stress that no child who is ill should be in school (nor feel that they have to be). Illness happens and it is important that rest and recuperation takes place. But if your child is well enough to be in school then they should be in school. Please read the attached booklet as it outlines the impact of regular term time absence. Finally, if you have any concerns about your child's attendance, then please do not hesitate to speak to their class teacher or come and see me.

### **Diary Dates**

Below you will find some important dates relating to the term ahead. As more opportunities arise, I will keep you informed and email the relevant information.

Date	Time	Event Details
September 2019		
Mon 23rd	2:45pm	Harvest Festival
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm	Macmillian Cake Afternoon
October 2019		
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup>	All day	Birch – Sea Life Trip (leaving school at 8:45am)
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>	3.40 -	Parents' Evening: Meet the teacher/settling in
	6pm	
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup>	3.40 -	Parents' Evening: Meet the teacher/settling in
	6pm	
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup>	All day	World Mental health Day (Wear Yellow)
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup>	6-8pm	Friends of Lambley – Halloween Party
Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup>	All day	WEAR RED DAY (Tackling Racism)
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>	All day	INSET DAY – School Closed
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> – Fri 25 <sup>th</sup>	Half term	
November 2019		
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	4.30pm	Friends of Lambley – Bonfire Night
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	All day	School re-opens
Wed 6th	9.15 am	Willow - Phonics morning for parents
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>	All day	Children in Need
December 2019		
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am	Maple – Handball @ CFS
Tues 10th	2pm	Nativity Production
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am	Nativity Production
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup>	All Day	Beech and Oak – Cadbury's World
Mon 23rd	All day	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

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