

## Message from the Headteacher:

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a very busy half term at Lime Academy Parnwell and we would like to thank you for your ongoing support during what has been an unpredictable time. The children have been a real credit to themselves and to the school and we are immensely proud of their learning behaviours

This week we held our first after school event, which was our pyjama reading event. This was attended by 156 pupils who thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Thank you for the kind messages that we have received regarding this event and for your support of this.

I hope that you have successfully received your child's school photographs from the photographer and are happy with the final proofs of these. The videographer was very impressed with the children's behaviour, cooperation, and politeness.

Next term is looking likely to be another busy one too with lots of exciting events already planned on the calendar. So please take an opportunity to rest next week and recharge those batteries ready for Autumn term 2. I look forward to sharing more information as the term begins.

One element that we will be launching on Monday 1 November is a bagel bar at the dance studio doors. This is to offer all children toasted bagels each morning on their way into school – regardless of whether they have accessed breakfast at home or not. I hope that this offer will be a success and that you will support this going forward. More details of this will be sent via ClassDojo during half term.

If you have a child who is pupil premium eligible in school, they would have brought home with them a bag of breakfast items to help through half term. Vouchers from the local authority have also been issued today and I hope that these are welcome received.

I am delighted to inform you that we are able to run parents' evenings next half term. However, due to COVID-19 restrictions, these will take place via a

## Attendance Congratulations

*Classes with great attendance:*

6NEL

## Celebrating Punctuality

*Lowest number of late marks:*

KS1 – 1EE

KS2 – 3MD

website called School Cloud. To make your appointment please book via this link: <https://limeparnwell.schoolcloud.co.uk/>. In order to ensure that these can run smoothly, we are hosting these over 2 nights dependent upon year group. Tuesday 9th November – EYFS, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6. Wednesday 10th November – Year 1, Year 3, Year 5.

Thank you to the year 6 parents who have signed up for the residential to Grafham Water in January 2022, I will be in touch with further details about this visit after half term.

I hope that you are able to enjoy the half term break, which is taking place next week and we look forward to welcoming you all back for the start of term on Monday 1 November.

Mr Ben Newstead

Headteacher

## Best Attending Class this Half Term

A massive well done to **6JD** who were the best attending class this half term. Keep up the good work!

## Half Term Next Week

Please be aware that the children return to school on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November.

## The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

From Monday 2 November until Wednesday 11 November, the poppy appeal boxes will circulate each classroom throughout the day. Children are welcome to bring money into school to support this appeal and to purchase merchandise. This image shows what is available:



Suggested donations set by the Royal British Legion are:

Poppies	Any donation
Poppy zip pulls	50p
Poppy key ring reflectors	50p
Poppy wristbands	£1
Poppy snap bands	£1.50

## Reading Pjama Night a Huge Success

On Wednesday, Children were invited to come back to school in the evening in their Pjamas and to bring their favourite book. They were then able to read and share lots of different stories throughout the evening. The children enjoyed biscuits and hot chocolate whilst they were reading.



## New Menu for Afterschool Club

Our Afterschool Club provides children with a healthy snack each day. We have recently revised our Afterschool Club menu and we will now be serving snacks which include: 'Build your own wraps', Pizza and Salad, Beans/Eggs on Toast, Tuna/Veggie Pasta with Garlic Bread, and Fruit/Yoghurt for Pudding. We are sure the children will enjoy these new changes to the menu. The club runs from the end of the school day until 5:45pm. If you would like your child to attend Afterschool club, please visit the school office to complete an application form. Afterschool club costs £6.00 per day for the first child and £3.00 for siblings or £4.00 for first child and £2.00 for siblings who are entitled to benefit related Free School Meals.



## Dinner Menu

On the week commencing, 1<sup>st</sup> November, we start week 4 of the Dinner Menu

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## Attendance

Hi my name is Debbie I joined the school in September. My role is Extended Services and Pupil Wellbeing Officer, I am sure some of you have already seen me on the gate in the morning and after school.

### **Part of my role will be monitoring attendance.**

We want all children at our school to get the most out of their education, and attending school is an important part of your child's life, not just for the learning but making friends, and having structure and routine in their daily lives.

### **What you as parents can do to help?**

Please make sure that your child comes to school regularly and arrives on time. It's a good idea to start these positive habits at an early age,

- If your child is ill, you must contact the school on the first day of your child's illness. we will be concerned if we do not hear anything.
- If your child is ever absent, you must tell us why. You can do this by contacting the school office, and where possible send in evidence to support the absence.
- Please try and arrange any medical appointments after school. If this is not possible, please provide evidence of the appointment to the school office.
- If you want permission for your child to be absent from school, for any other reason you should ask for a leave of absence form a week in advance and provide as much details.
- Holidays in term time will not be approved and will be marked as unauthorised.

If you need any help or advice about your child's attendance, please drop in and see me in the office or email me [Debbie.dommett@limetrust.org](mailto:Debbie.dommett@limetrust.org) and I will be happy to see you.

After half term all children will receive their attendance certificate for the year so far. This is to keep you informed of their attendance rate and profile its importance.

We want your child's school experience to be a happy one and hopefully if we work together this will be easily possible.