

Lockdown LMS Matters

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Dear Parents and Carers

This week we had some amazing news. Our local community (led by Lucy Dodd) have come together after hearing about the arson attack on the school PE shed. Lucy organised a raffle to help raise funds for us and said that they are so aware that schools have had such a challenging time over the pandemic that to then have an arson attack by mindless vandals must have felt like a final blow – it certainly did. They therefore wanted to do something that put the smile back into the school. Her raffle (with prizes of cakes, afternoon teas and beauty vouchers) raised **£600** for LMS. I am totally blown away that people would do this for us, we can now spend this on replacing our equipment! Thank you sooooo much to everyone who contributed.

This Sunday 21st March is national **CENSUS DAY**. The census is a unique survey of all the people and households in England and Wales that happens every 10 years. There's simply nothing else that gives so much detail about us and the society we live in. It tells us what our needs are now and what they're likely to be in the future. It also gives a snapshot of how we live, for future generations to look back on. The information given by the public during the census helps local authorities plan and fund public services. It informs where billions of pounds are spent, for instance on things like roads, schools and hospitals. Information from the census is also important in helping lots of other people and organisations do their work. Charity and voluntary organisations often use it as evidence to get funding. It helps businesses to understand us as customers and, for example, decide where to open new shops. Plus, those doing research, like university students and people looking into their family history, use the information. We really hope you can all take part. We have also been looking at it with the children in school.

Our latest **RECOVERY CURRICULUM** is in full flow with the children standing up to their "KID DOUBT". This is also a great tool for you to use at home. For example, if your child makes a comment to you about how they look, something they don't like about themselves or something they feel they are not good at etc., ask them "Have you been listening to Kid Doubt?" Then find a solution to banish him, not listen to him and find a positive result.



Unfortunately, this week has seen parents on the site not keeping to **2M SOCIAL DISTANCING** with each other; this has made some of our parents feel very anxious and worried. Please, please, please remember that we are still in a global pandemic and that even a road map to reduce measures does not mean we can relax. There have already been a number of schools in MK that have had to shut bubbles again. Please support each other to help us reduce the risk of us having to shut some of ours.

Hopefully you should now have received information about the **PARENT CONSULTATIONS** after the Easter break. Please ensure you find the time to book a slot as these meetings are an important link between home and school. If you have any questions, please speak to your child's teacher.

Please don't forget that **PARENTS AND CARERS CAN ACCESS TWICE WEEKLY (NO SYMPTOMS) HOME TESTING KITS**: via their employers (if they offer testing to their employees), at a local test site, by collecting a home test kit from a test site or by ordering a home test kit online. Rapid flow test kits for home use can be collected from some local testing sites. You can find out where by using this search tool: <https://find-covid-19-rapid-test-sites.maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/>. For those who are unable to collect the rapid test kits, a limited number are available to order online: <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>.

If you children are even half as tired as my staff are, this weekend is very, very welcome. Please rest well and enjoy your family time.

See you next week.

Mr Gray



Congratulations to
Minnows & Bracken

who achieved **100%**
attendance this week!!

Well done everybody!

Please remember, **DO NOT** send your children into school if they are displaying any of the following symptoms:

New continuous cough and / or high temperature and / or a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell.

Please note that, now we are back at school, earrings should be removed as should hair colourings; patterns shaved into hair also need to cease please. We are operating our full school uniform policy (excluding shoes that don't fit).



Long Meadow Legends

Diana - Tadpoles

Amber - Minnows

Dario - Pondskeepers

Pippa - Sticklebacks

Maya - Newts

Oscar - Frogs

Robyn - Bracken

Olivia - Hogweed

Amelie - Foxgloves

Matthew - Hawthorn

Phillip - Ferns

Logan - Thistles

Simi - Brambles

Ashton - Teasels

STEP 1

8 March

29 March

EDUCATION

8 MARCH

- Schools and colleges open for all students
- Practical Higher Education courses

SOCIAL CONTACT

8 MARCH

- Exercise and recreation outdoors with household or one other person
- Household only indoors

29 MARCH

- Rule of 6 or two households outdoors
- Household only indoors

BUSINESS & ACTIVITIES

8 MARCH

- Wraparound care, including sport, for all children

29 MARCH

- Organised outdoor sport (children and adults)
- Outdoor sport and leisure facilities
- All outdoor children's activities
- Outdoor parent & child group (max 15 people, excluding under 5s)

TRAVEL

8 MARCH

- Stay at home
- No holidays

29 MARCH

- Minimise travel
- No holidays

EVENTS

- Funerals (30)
- Weddings and wakes (6)

STEP 2

No earlier than 12 April

At least 5 weeks after Step 1

EDUCATION

- As previous step

SOCIAL CONTACT

- Rule of 6 or two households outdoors
- Household only indoors

BUSINESS & ACTIVITIES

- All retail
- Personal care
- Libraries & community centres
- Most outdoor attractions
- Indoor leisure inc. gyms (individual use only)
- Self-contained accommodation
- All children's activities
- Outdoor hospitality
- Indoor parent & child groups (max 15 people, excluding under 5s)

TRAVEL

- Domestic overnight stays (household only)
- No international holidays

EVENTS

- Funerals (30)
- Weddings, wakes, receptions (15)
- Event pilots