



Week 12 - Spring Term - 2022

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We had an unplanned fire alarm yesterday morning. Fortunately, this was a false alarm. It has, however, flagged up some points for improvement:

1. It is crucial that your child is on time for school. We had a number of late children who should have been in class and registered.
2. We had not received phone-calls by 9am in the morning to report absences.

Both of these issues meant that we were searching the building for missing children who were not, in fact, on site.

Registers must be taken at a certain time each day and close every morning by 9am. The alarm went off at 9am and fortunately most teachers had managed to take their registers. We had evacuated the entire building in under 3 minutes.

Please help us to keep everyone safe in school by being on time and reporting absences by 9am.

Events update

23/3/2022 to 25/3/2022 - Y3/4 residential trip to Burwell House

Despite my own lack of sleep we had a great few days away! The children were all very brave being away from home, trying new foods, having a go at all sorts of team challenges and problem solving and even stripping beds! We had amazing weather as well which made it all the more enjoyable. Thanks to Miss Gaught for her great organising and to all the staff who gave so generously of their own time to come along and support the children. Without them, trips like this are not possible.

28/3/2022 - Autism Awareness Week

Miss Mullings led a whole school assembly about Autism and then we had a day wearing blue to raise people's awareness of our special differences. We then ran a 'blue' tuck shop at breaktime and have managed to raise £80 for the charity. Thanks for your support.

31/3/2022 - 3/4 football tournament

Once again, the children have done us proud. After an amazing effort by the girls' team - reaching the final last week. Our Y3/4 team played this week and were undefeated; 2 wins and 2 draws. Well done children, and Mr. Bishop.



1/4/2022 - Fun day

Today was the PTA's Fun Friday - thanks to everyone for joining in the fun with hair colours and styles, own clothes, wigs and adornments. The staff also joined the fun marking my last ever Celebration Assembly with some prank certificates which were well received by the children, as you can imagine.

And the fun doesn't stop there...

Upcoming events:

Once again our Chinese New Year workshops have been postponed. As it will now be so far on from the actual event we are rolling these workshops into the Summer term and we will use them to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee.

Happy Puzzle Day

The children will be taking part in their workshops on Tuesday to solve puzzles, work as a team and test out their little grey cells! At the end of the day there will be games and puzzles on sale in the hall.

Uniform

Just a reminder that the children should still be in their Winter Uniform. We know it was very warm last week, and a few children were in shorts or summer dresses, but as this week goes to prove we are not quite in consistently good weather yet. After the Easter holidays, children will be expected to be in their summer uniform and can then wear shorts, skorts or summer dresses.

We have noticed a number of girls wearing leggings every day. These are only permitted on PE days and are not part of our usual school uniform. PE kits must be worn for PE - sports shirts, football kits and hoodies are NOT permitted. We will be having a crackdown on this in the summer term and sending reminders home to individuals. Please use the Easter holidays to replenish with the correct uniform and in cases of hardship please speak to us at school as we are able to source pre-loved uniform where necessary.

Any shoulder length hair must be tied back for health and safety reasons [including the spread of headlice] and this should stay up all day. A number of children are removing hair ties at lunchtimes which is not allowed. Hair adornments should be small and only in school colours please: purple, blue, black, white.



Thank you!

To everyone who has made or sourced donations for our playtimes - thank you! We have lots of lovely new items for the children to get creative with and they are really enjoying their new activities. We are still on the hunt for clothes for the children to do dressing up. These do not have to be specific dressing up clothes - old coats, hats, beads, scarves etc. are just as entertaining for our children.

And finally...

We are looking for 2 MDSAs and a TA to work 1:1 with children. If you, or anyone you know, would be interested in applying please see the advert on our school website and on our Facebook page. You do not need to have experience in either job as we can offer on the job training for the right candidate.

These roles are due to start this summer term and the closing date is Monday.

<https://www.lakenheath.suffolk.sch.uk/news-2/vacancies>

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sally Esom', is positioned to the left of the printed name.

Sally Esom