

Lily Lane

Stronger Together



#School Council

This week, our pupils carried out their own votes as they geared up to elect new members for the school council. On Wednesday and Thursday, the hall was transformed into a 'polling station' with pupils being given the opportunity to vote for candidates from year 1 to 6 who will form a new keen batch of councillors.

Two pupils from each class have been elected to join the School Council committee, acting as the voice for their classes; tackling issues, planning events and leading the organisation of charity work.

#Updates

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our first Parent Focus Group of this academic year. It was great to hear your thoughts and views on current plans for the school, including on our new vision and behaviour policy. If you weren't able to attend, the powerpoint can be found on the school website. We look forward to seeing you all at the next Parent Focus Group, watch this space for further information regarding this.

#Curriculum Spotlight

The children have now completed their first half term of learning in this academic year. They have been incredibly busy learning lots of new knowledge and skills during this time and we know they can't wait to begin learning about a new topic after half term. Don't forget to read our year group curriculum newsletter, which will be emailed out, to find out more about what we will be learning in Autumn 2.



#Attendance

Every half term we will be putting names of children who have 100% attendance and names of children who have the most improved attendance into a prize draw. Two names will be picked out from each category from KS1 & KS2. Their families will receive a £10 voucher and a board game to play at home as a family.

#Parents Evening

Our first parents evening of this school year will be held on **Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th November**. To book your parents evening slot, please log on to the parents evening booking system through the school website and choose your appointment time. The booking system will be open at 9am on Monday 31st October.

#Class Dojo

This half term, we have begun to use class dojo as a reward system across the school. The children have been working very hard to earn dojo points for making positive behaviour choices. All parents are able to connect to their child's class dojo page, please check your email for a link to do this.

On the class dojo page, you can: see how many points your child has collected; message your child's class teacher and have a look at what the children are up to in class through the class story page. If you haven't managed to sign up yet, please do, it is free.

If you are having problems with connecting please see your child's class teacher or Miss Smart in the playground before or after school.

We will be sending out a Class Dojo Home School Agreement after half term, please look out for this.



#Behaviour Policy Launch

During this first half term, we have been working incredibly hard on our brand new behaviour policy. We have started to launch this with the children in assemblies and through class discussions.

We are excited to announce that we will be able to share this new policy with families at the start of the next half term. Please keep a look out for further information.

#The New Friends of Lily Lane

One of our aims this year is to make Friends of Lily Lane bigger than it has ever been. In order to do this, we need your help! Every person who attends a Friends of Lily Lane meeting will be entered into a prize draw to win an Asda voucher – the more meetings you attend, the more chances of winning you have!

The meetings are an opportunity to meet other parents as well as share your ideas on events that can be put on for the children and raise money (themes school discos, cinema nights etc). If you would like to find out more please see Miss Pierce in the playground before or after school.

#Harvest

During the first week back after half term, will be our Harvest Festival week. During this week, we will be collecting in non-perishable food goods to donate to local charities and food banks. If you have any donations, please bring them to the school office by Thursday 3rd November so that we can distribute them on Friday 4th November.

We will also be holding assemblies during this week based on the theme of Being Thankful. The children have been learning Harvest songs in music lessons and will be showcasing these talents during the assemblies. Have a look on your child's class dojo page for the pictures from these assemblies.

#Dates For Your Diary

Friday 11th November is Armistice Day. On this day, we will be holding a 2 minute silence at 11am and selling poppies for a small donation.

Wednesday 16th November is School Photo Day. On this day, the children will all have individual photos as well as sibling photos. These will be available to purchase directly from the photographers by the end of November.

Friday 18th November is Children in Need day. The theme for this year is 'The Great Spotacular'. On this day, we are asking all children to wear something spotty for a small donation.