

# Lily Lane

**Stronger Together**



We would like to welcome all of our families back from the Christmas holidays. We hope you all had a well deserved break. We know some families might be finding things a little harder than normal at this time, please see the links on our website home page if you require any more support.

## #Proud

We are really proud of how well the children have come back in and settled back in to their learning. They should all be very proud of themselves. At the end of last half term, all of the class teachers chose a child who had shown exceptional behaviour all term to become the 'Child of the Term'. These children can be spotted wearing a purple jumper and are very proud.

## #Curriculum Spotlight

As we are at the beginning of a new term, the children have already started their new topics. Look out for your year groups curriculum newsletter this week on class dojo to find out what the children will be learning this half term.

This week, we are launching our new home learning plan. The children will be given a grid filled with activities to complete at home over the half term to enhance their learning for their topics. Look out for these home learning tasks on your child's class dojo page. We hope you enjoy completing them with your children. Children should continue to read every night for 20 minutes as well as practise their spellings and times tables (Y3-6)

## #Lunchtimes

We have launched our brand new lunchtime structure this week and the children have responded really maturely to it. The children now have 30 minutes of quality outdoor time with a range of activities and then 30 minutes time to eat their dinner and have conversations with their friends. The new plan now means that the children have more space outside to play and that there are a range of activities to do, including our new crazes (hula hooping and dancing this week).

As with everything, we will continue to discuss with staff and children and make the necessary tweaks along the way. However the initial feedback has been very positive.

## #Trips and Visits

We are very excited to share that we are now planning our trips for the children. All children in the school will go on a trip and will have a visitor come in to school before the end of this academic year.

We are ensuring that all of the trips and visits that we have enhance the curriculum we are teaching. Unfortunately, due to a decline in school budgets, one of the trips will require a voluntary contribution.

We understand that times are hard at the moment for families and so we are doing everything possible to keep costs down. We will also ensure that families receive a lot of notice for the trips so that enough time is given for payments. You will receive a letter from your child's class teacher regarding their next trip in the foreseeable future.

## #Child of The Week

We have had our next group of children chosen to be the 'Child of the Week'. These children have always shown ready, respectful, safe behaviours and have worked incredibly hard in class. Keep an eye out on the whole class story on Class Dojo to see next week's Child of the Week.



## #Term dates

Date	Group	Event
Wednesday 4th January	Whole School	Term begins
Sunday 22nd January	Whole School	Chinese New Year
Monday 20th February	Whole School	Half term holiday
Monday 27th February	Whole School	School reopens
Thursday 2nd March	Whole School	World Book Day
Monday 6th March 9am	Year 6	Y6 home learning parent workshop
Tuesday 7th March 9am	Year 5	Y5 home learning parent workshop
Wednesday 8th March 9am	Year 4	Y4 home learning parent workshop
Thursday 9th March 9am	Year 3	Y3 home learning parent workshop
Friday 10th March 9am	Year 2	Y2 home learning parent workshop
Monday 13th March	Whole School	British Science Week
W/B Monday 20th March	Whole School	Ramadan begins
Friday 31st March	Whole School	School closes for Easter