



Bulletin No. 967
Friday 29th January 2021



Good afternoon to you all,

Another week has flown by and, as ever, all our pupils continue to work hard both in and out of school. Once again I would like to thank you all for your support during this time, as well as your continuing positive feedback.

For the next two weeks, we encourage all pupils to keep up their good work and stick to the excellent routines they have established this half term. We know the value of a good nights sleep and lots of fresh air, with so much going on in the world right now this becomes more important than ever. Mental health awareness, especially for children, is of critical importance as pupils attempt to process the changes that are occurring both in and out of school. With this in mind we have launched a 'Worry Box' initiative Class Dojo, please see more information about this on the following page. Next week is the 'Children's Mental Health Week' and we are asking pupils to 'Dress to Express' whether they are in or out of school. Further details of this special day can also be found on the next page.

The question on everyone's mind right now, including ours, is when can we welcome all our pupils back in to school? Following this week's announcement that schools will no longer be able to open following the February half-term, I would like to reassure you that as soon as we find out any further information we will communicate with you about what happens next. We are, of course, planning for the many different scenarios that may occur, but can not make any firm commitments until the next Government briefing on this matter.

Mr Saunders & The Staff at LadyLane Park School & Nursery





Lady Lane Park School Worry Box



At Lady Lane Park School and Nursery, we are aware that life for all of us is very different again. For many of the children, the last year of uncertainty and being asked to learn remotely or attend school when many of their peers are at home, can cause worry and anxiety.

In normal times, children naturally share their worries with their parents but also ask their teachers questions to help calm any anxieties and aid them with making sense of uncertainty.

To continue to give the opportunity for the children to ask questions and seek advice from school, we are setting up a virtual worry box on Dojo. The worry box will appear as an activity each week on your child's portfolio and will be monitored by Mrs Smith (Deputy Headteacher Pastoral) and Mr Walker.

It is by no means a must do task but if your child has a non-work-related worry or question, they can send a message via the worry box task. Mrs Smith or Mr Walker will reply either by text, video message or a Zoom call with yourselves and your child.

As when we are in school, we would never promise to keep secrets and would always seek to involve parents if we felt a child's worries or questions were a concern and would benefit from a joint approach.

The mental health and wellbeing of the children continue to be important to us all. We hope by creating a worry box that we can support the excellent help already being offered by parents at home.

Kind regards

Mrs Smith
Deputy Headteacher (Pastoral)

From 1st the 7th February, it is Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week. This year's theme is Express Yourself. Place2Be has created activities and resources to help children (and adults) to explore the different ways that they can share their thoughts, feelings and ideas.

There are lots of resources on the Children's Mental Health Week website that you can use with your child at home, including activity ideas and tips for parents and carers. Visit <https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers/> to find out more.

Through-out the week teachers will be talking with children about feelings and as a school we are going to hold a 'DRESS TO EXPRESS' Friday. We would like the children, at home and at school, to express themselves through their clothes and hair. Pupils could wear their favourite colour or choose a range of colours the express the way they are feeling.

We would like the children to take a photograph of what they are wearing and post it on their Dojo portfolio with a sentence about what they have chosen and why.

Menu : Monday 1st February 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Jacket Potatoes & Cheese/Beans	Meatballs, Pasta & Cheese	BBQ Chicken* & Savoury Rice	Cottage Pie/Quorn	Fish, Chips & Peas
Angel Delight	Milk Pudding	Homemade Sponge	Cottage Pie	Bread & Butter
		*Halal & Vegetarian option available	Mixed Vegetables	Chocolate Bake
			Crumble & Custard	