

Langley Primary Weekly

2 February 2017



Half Term Value – Accountability

In assembly on Monday we talked about the duty we all have to look after our own bodies and minds. We heard some amazing (and yucky!) facts about our bodies. The children were able to offer some great ideas about how to lead a healthy lifestyle. They were also able to think of some unhealthy choices. We want our children to begin to be increasingly more accountable for their lifestyle decisions so that when they have a choice, they make the right one.

Here are some ways we decided would help us lead a healthy lifestyle although every adult knows it is not always easy to make the right choice!

Get active

Parents should be good role models and have a positive attitude to being active. Spending too long on 'small screen' entertainment may have a negative impact on health.

Choose water as a drink

Have whole fruit to eat, rather than fruit juices that have a lot of sugar.

Eat more fruit and vegetables

Healthy snacks help us meet our daily nutritional needs.

Have a happy and positive attitude

We are each accountable for our own happiness.



Happy New Year

Happy Chinese New Year 2017 - The Year of the Rooster.

The new year has begun and will last until Feb 15, 2018. The new year, also known as the Spring Festival, is marked by the Chinese calendar, so the date changes from year to year.

Each Chinese New Year is characterised by one of 12 animals which appear in the Chinese zodiac. Chinese legend tells us that the twelve animals were chosen by the Jade Emperor who organised a race across a river. The first twelve animals went into the zodiac.

This year, it's the Year of the Rooster, the 10th animal in the cycle. The next Year of the Rooster will be in 2029.

Children's Challenge.

Can you learn and remember the twelve animals? Why wasn't the cat included?



Car Parking and Driving

I want to take this opportunity to thank the vast majority of parents who respect our policy around parking and driving on the school site. It underlines the fact that as parents you share and support our values and understand the reasons why our policies exist. Thank you.

I understand that it is tempting to bend the rules occasionally because of lateness or because of the weather, for example. Most people who do this are apologetic and describe it as a 'one off'. Please avoid this temptation as it not only inconveniences others, it also puts our children in danger.

Unfortunately, there is still a minority of people in our school community who seem not to share our values and habitually ignore our procedures. Some

of these people become abusive to other parents and to staff members who try to remind them of our policy. This really concerns me. We have had some near misses recently where a child could have been seriously hurt. Therefore, I am redoubling my efforts to try and persuade people to abide by our policy and you would expect nothing less.

WILD MATHS

<http://wild.maths.org/>

<http://wild.maths.org/advice-parents-and-carers>

If you want to explore games, challenges and investigations with your child, try this website! Wild Maths is a collection of online mathematical games, activities and stories, encouraging you to think creatively. It's by the same people who gave us NRICH maths. (<http://nrich.maths.org/>)

Important Allergy Information

Nuts and peanuts can cause allergic reactions, which are sometimes severe. A severe reaction to nuts is called anaphylaxis and can be life-threatening. Symptoms often start quickly, within an hour of coming into contact with a nut, and sometimes within minutes. We have children with nut allergies in school.

Most people with nut allergy react after contact with small amounts (less than one nut) and some people may react to trace amounts.

Therefore, we ask parents not to let their children bring in anything containing nuts. Please check the ingredients of your children's snacks and lunches to ensure they don't contain nuts. Nutella chocolate spread DOES contain nuts for example. Mr Cashmore



Congratulations..... Miss Thompson has had her babies!!!

Oliver Peter and Poppy Willow have arrived safe and well, both weighed 5lb 10oz. Mum and Dad are very proud of their bundles of joy.



The Travelling Book Fair 2017 Wednesday 1 March – Monday 6 March 2017

The Book Fair is coming to school!!

Books will be displayed in the Infant Hall between Wednesday 1 March and Monday 6 March - 12.30 – 1pm and then again between 3.30pm-4pm. Parents are welcome to take a look with their children between 3.30pm-4pm Please come along and take a look.



World Book Day - 2 March 2017

All children can dress up as a book character on Thursday 2 March if they wish.

Community and Family Mentor – Mrs Tina Wood

I can help you by providing support and guidance including, for example;

- Accessing Community Resources
- Understanding your Child
- School Attendance
- Financial Signposting
- Returning to Work
- Clubs and Activities for your Children
- Child Care

I can be contacted via the school office for an appointment – sometimes just coming in for a chat is all that's needed.

Mrs T Wood

Forthcoming visits

Please look out for an e mail/ letter regarding forthcoming visits:-

- 28th March
West Midlands Safari Park Year 3
- 29th March
Umberslade Farm Nursery and Reception
- 15th May
Kingfisher Country Park, river studies Year 5
- 15th June
Drayton Manor Year 5
Mrs Troy