



Worship With Us

We're having to think outside the box as we can't all congregate in our school hall or in church. Therefore, we're relying on technology to bring us together, via TEAMS and Kathy's You Tube channel. We started by focussing on HOPE, because it is hope that things will get better and hope that our children would return to school, that kept us strong when times were particularly difficult before the Summer. We listened to how Moses led the Jewish people out of Egypt. When things got difficult, he reminded them that they could trust God and should remember the things God had done for them in the past as it would give them hope for the future. We also listened this week to a story about Naaman visiting Elisha, as we learned how our emotions can be affected by what is happening around us. Today, we have held our first Celebration Assembly by TEAMS. It was wonderful to hear how well everyone is doing and for all of the hard work and positive attitudes to be recognised.

Pick Ups and Drop Offs

Thank you for making a big effort to arrive at your child's allotted time and for moving quickly off the playground. Things have really improved. Here is a reminder of the times:

Care and Play	Drop off: 9:00	Pick up: 3:15
Nursery and Reception	Drop off: 9:00	Pick up: 3:20
Year 1 and Year 2	Drop off: 8:55	Pick up: 3:15
Year 3 and Year 4	Drop off: 8:50	Pick up: 3:10
Year 5 and Year 6	Drop off: 8:45	Pick up: 3:05

Please do not enter the playground until your allocated time. We suggest that you wait in your car if you are early. If you have siblings, arrive at the earlier time for drop off and pick up. Please remember social distancing when waiting and keep your children by your side.

PE and Forest School

At present, children are not getting changed at school. Therefore, please send your child to school on their PE day already changed in their PE kit. If it is cold, we recommend sending your child in jogging bottoms over their shorts along with their school jumper. Forest School clothes can be worn all day if they have a session that day. Please send wellies and a waterproof coat with your child on that day.

Nursery: Wednesday (+ Forest School Friday)

Reception: Thursday (+ Forest School Monday)

Year 1: Monday (no Forest School this Half Term)

Year 2: Monday (+ Forest School alternate Wednesdays)

Year 3: Friday (+ Forest School alternate Fridays)

Year 4: Wednesday (+ Forest School alternate Tuesdays)

Year 5: Tuesday (no Forest School this Half Term)

Year 6: Thursday (Year 6 do not do Forest School)

Website

You can find out more information about school on our website (www.ladykprimaryschool.co.uk). The class pages have extra timetable and curriculum information, plus useful KIRF (Key Instant Recall Facts that your child is expected to know in Maths) and Common Exception Word lists (words that do not follow the common phonetic spelling rules that your child is expected to know in each year).

School Environment

School is looking really good, both inside and out. We have a new cleaning company, who are working hard to maintain the highest levels of hygiene. Our new Site Manager, Mr Hunt, has also worked incredibly hard, along with the teaching staff to make school look really inviting. Parents are a big part of school and we miss you helping out, attending Celebration Assemblies and other meetings. As a parent myself, I know that it is nice to have a look inside, to see how things are looking. We will arrange for some photos of the new displays to be sent out on Twitter and in our next newsletter and will also upload them onto class pages. We would also like to thank Nic Hammett and her family for providing the beautiful hanging baskets.

New and old

You may well have noticed quite a few new faces on the playground. It has been a pleasure to welcome our new parents and children to our school family. The children have settled in so well and have been an absolute delight. As a school with no housing by us, community is really important and we have always had parents on the playground taking new parents under their wings and making sure they had all the information they needed. We recognise this might be difficult with social distancing but please ask if there is anything you need to know.

Music Lessons

Solihull Music Service are currently not able to come to school to deliver any lessons. We will review this at Half Term. If we receive any updates in the meantime, we will let you know.

PCSO Officer

We would like to introduce our School Link Officer, Nicola Donaghy, who is part of the Rural Neighbourhood Team. You can contact her at n.donaghy@west-midlands.pnn.police.uk

Covid Information

Our latest guidance states that a high temperature, cough and loss of taste / smell continue to be the only reasons for a child needing to stay off school relating to Coronavirus.

Children with 'cold like' symptoms only without the above can come to school and do not need testing.

Key Dates

It is not possible to commit to many events at this point, due to uncertainty regarding Government guidelines. We will update you on special events and services once the situation becomes clearer. However, all term dates and INSET dates for the year can be found on the school website (<http://ladykprimaryschool.co.uk/parents/term-dates/>)

School Meals

We would like to remind you that school dinners are available from the school kitchen. All children up to and including Year 2 are eligible for a free school meal. Menus for each week are uploaded onto the school website (<http://ladykprimaryschool.co.uk/parents/lunch-menu/>)