



# LONG LEE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Autumn 2020

16.10.20



## Harvest

This year we have taken the decision not to celebrate harvest with a performance due to the current restrictions. We will however still be spending time to think about those less fortunate than ourselves, particularly in these unprecedented times. As in previous years, we will be having a collection of food for the Living Lights Foodbank - tinned and packet food only please. There will be tubs left at the main gate each day next week for donations should you wish to make them. All food will be sent to the Living Lights Charity and will be shared locally to families who need it.

## Data collection sheets

Could those parents/guardians who have not yet sent their data collection sheets back to school do so as soon as possible.

## Secret Shop

Don't forget to complete your 'Secret Shop' reply slip. The closing date for this is Tuesday 17th November.



## Parking

Can we remind you about parking around the local area. Please do not block driveways or park on corners. The disabled spaces in the turning circle are for people who have a blue disabled badge. Please do not drop children off on the yellow zig zag lines or the hatch markings on the entrance into school. We must all consider the safety of all our children and parents/guardians especially as the darker mornings and evenings are upon us. We ask that parents/guardians are also mindful of not allowing their children to walk on the gardens and driveways of the houses opposite our school.

## Covid - 19

We thank all our parents/guardians for their support in following the systems we have in place for everyone's safety in the current climate. May we remind you that we reserve the right to take action where procedures are not followed.

## Secondary School Applications

Don't forget that secondary school applications for September 2021 can only be made online, as detailed in the booklet sent to you. The closing date for applications is Saturday 31st October 2021.

## Home Learning

In the event of your child having to self-isolate, we will ensure they have access to Home Learning. Please liaise with us over how to access this.

## Uniform

Please ensure that all uniform is named so that it can easily be returned.

## Diary Dates

- 21.10.20 - Year 6 World War Two Day
- 23.10.20 - School Closes for Half Term
- 31.10.20 - Secondary School Application Form closing date
- 02.11.20 - School reopens for Autumn 2
- 19.11.20 - Consultation Day - Details to follow
- 20.11.20 - Training Day - School closed to pupils



## Parents / Guardians Survey

Many thanks to those of you who have completed our survey. We are delighted with the feedback and would like to share some of this with you.

96% of parents/guardians reported that their child had settled well into the new school year with 62% reporting an excellent start to the school year. Further comments were that 'My child is very happy to be back at school and has been welcomed warmly by all staff' and 'Lots of members of staff around at drop off and pick up and this creates a very warm welcome.'

100% of parents/guardians said we have communicated well since the return to school with 62% of participants grading the quality of our communication as extremely good. Further comments were 'The office staff are wonderful', 'Communication through the App and Class Dojo is really helpful' and 'Staff are approachable and very helpful'.

96% of parents / guardians said we are managing the safety of our school in line with Covid-19 measures as good or better with 51% saying it is excellent. Further comments were 'The soft opening and pick-ups, along with the easy to follow one-way system, make the school site feel very safe' and 'My child knows to wash and sanitises their hands regularly'.

Long Lee App, Class Dojo and Tapestry

88% of parents / guardians have the Long Lee App on their phone and 68% find it useful. Where people left their contact details, we have liaised with them as to how to put the APP on their phone. There are details on the website and Class Dojo for anyone else who has not yet installed the APP.

91% of parents / guardians are able to access class Dojo and/or Tapestry. Where details have been left, class teachers are liaising with parents to access this.

Additional feedback was:

'Everything seems to be running smoothly. Thank you for all your hard work and efforts'

'Class Dojo is very good and was throughout the lockdown period too. You are all doing a great job'

'I think the staggered times should still continue after covid'

'Continue to support emotional wellbeing of the children, such a challenging and stressful time so their mental health is priority'

'I'm glad you have shut the little area with the brown gate in a morning as people were crowding in and it didn't feel very safe.'

'Thank you for all you are doing for the children at this difficult time'

'The weekly newsletters are really welcome. Helpful updates and a touch of normality'

'I think the school has handled the reopening well. I have needed to communicate with my child's teacher and used the email address and I received a very prompt reply, so I think this is a really good way to communicate quickly with the class teacher'

'School staff and management are doing utmost best to keep things safe in the current climate.'

