



# Ladygrove Park Primary School

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## For all Parents and Carers in Class 2 and 3

Welcome back after the Christmas holidays! Thank you very much for all your kind messages, cards and presents - they were much appreciated. This term, we are focusing on the cold! We will be looking at and talking about winter, cold places, ice and frost, and Chinese New Year. The children have all been given new individual targets to work on this term. It would be wonderful if you could support them at home with these too. You will find them in their home-school books. Thank you

### Other Dates for your Diaries

See cake crumbly dates below:

28<sup>th</sup> February

2<sup>nd</sup> May

27<sup>th</sup> June

Also, come and see our first performance of The Three Billy Goats Gruff on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January at 2.45pm.

### Cake Crumbly

For new parents to the school, cake crumbly happens once a term and is a chance for each class to raise some funds and then decide what is needed in their areas. In the past, we have bought games, jigsaws, balls etc. We have recently bought some large tens-frames equipment to help with maths number learning. You are invited to bring in cakes (home-made or bought) for us to sell to you and other classes after school in the courtyard area. This includes Class 1 too.

### Trip

We are planning to take the children to Farmer Gow's this year in Term 5. Watch this space! More information will follow shortly.

### Mystery Reader

We know how much your children love to see you in school and so we would like to invite you to sign up to become a "Mystery Reader". The idea is that you sign up for one session (from 2.40pm) and read a book to your child's class. This would be kept a secret, even from your child, and you would appear on a special chair ready to read a book, so when the children open their eyes you will be a lovely surprise! The book could be one of your choosing – a poetry book, story or information book or you are very welcome to borrow one of our books. **Dates for this term remaining are: Thursday 14th March, Monday 25th March, and Thursday 4th April, only for Class 3.** If you are unable to sign up on our noticeboard please email via the foundation stage email address, as soon as you can and we will try to book you in! Thank you.

### Email Communication

We have set up an email address for you to use to contact us, if you have any questions or queries about how the Foundation Stage works. The address is [foundation.stage@lpps.org.uk](mailto:foundation.stage@lpps.org.uk). It would be helpful to provide us with your full name, if this is not obvious in your email address. There is also a Facebook page set up and managed by the parents titled: Ladygrove Park Classes 2 And 3 (2018)

### Home-School Books

Please continue to share what you do at home in the home-school books. Any examples you include of practising the children's individual targets is also lovely evidence to add to the children's Learning Journey files.



### School Library

You are welcome to use the school library with your children. You can visit on any day with your child, before and after school. Please follow the borrowing and returning instructions on the display. We are regularly visiting the library and ask that the children permanently keep their library books in their book bags, so that we can change them at any time. If you have had a slip informing you of a missing library book and you have returned it yourselves, or have lost it, please do let us know. We visit the library with the children most Wednesdays. Thank you.

### Ladygrove Standard

We have been spending a few sessions already this term reminding the children of the Ladygrove Standard and the 7 key school rules. Some new Ladygrove Standard life-skills certificates have been introduced this term to reward the children for consistently following the school rules. These are very special awards and your child may receive one reflecting the rule they have worked hard to uphold. Please see the website and recent newsletter for more details about these. We thought we would include here the part of the Standard that you can support your child with from home – as the children are so young still many will need more help with this area at this point! Thank you.

<b>Be School Ready</b>	<b>School uniform</b>	Helps to identify pupils easily and eliminates discussion about fashion in our place of learning. Helps safety.	<u>Grey Rules</u> We don't expect playful accessories, nail varnish. School shoes- not trainers (as a parent if you are unsure which shoes are appropriate please go with your common sense)
	<b>PE Kit</b>	Allows for orderly and safe physical education	<u>Grey Rules</u> Correct PE kit and house colours
	<b>Homework</b>	Used by school to reinforce learning taking place at school (or to research/discover new areas)	<u>Grey Rules</u> Needs to be done on time to aid learning in school time
	<b>Punctuality</b>	Time missed in lessons can disrupt class work for the pupil and the class as a whole	<u>Grey Rules</u> Dropping off and picking up on time

### Parent Helpers

This term, we would like to invite you to come and share your love of a hobby or your job! For example, bird watching; if you speak a different language and would like to teach us a song/counting/customs; Science, art. etc

### Clothing and Belongings

Please could you ensure that your child has a spare set of clothes (in a drawstring bag to make it easier for the children to hang on their peg). We do not have many spare clothes in school so it is essential that children have their own sets.

**Unfortunately we may need to phone to ask you to come in with spare clothes if your child needs a change and there are no spares on their pegs!** Please can you make sure that all of your child's clothing and possessions are clearly labelled with their names. Although we do our best to keep track of children's possessions, it really is very hard when there are so many children in the Foundation Stage and many items look so similar! Thank you.

**Thank you for being so adaptable with our change of routine in the mornings!** At the moment we are asking carers to drop off from the FS garden (where you pick up at 3pm) as we are not able to use the main cloakroom door for the next week or so. We will let you know when we have further information about this.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to come and see one of us.

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