

2nd February 2021

Today I am going to repeat what I wrote last week. The Government has decided schools should set a certain amount of work and keeping up with it is a challenge. I know that many of you have been juggling your own jobs, children's school work and just trying to generally survive. So I am going to say it again WELL DONE! Whatever your personal circumstances, we think you are doing a great job!

If you are having IT issues please contact us, we are doing our best to support everyone.

If your child is sick and is not well enough to access the Google Classroom/Tapestry can you please let the office know. It really helps us. A reminder the office is open 8:30-13:00 Mon- Friday. If you have a child in school and it is an emergency please email <u>headteacher@lenham.kent.sch.uk.</u>

Returning to school 8th March

Last week the Prime Minister clarified the situation regarding schools reopening. These were the main points:

- The **earliest** schools might 'begin to re-open' will be-Monday 8th March, which is the start of the third school week after the half-term holiday;
- There will be a plan/review set out on Monday 22nd February (the first day after the half-term holiday), with further updates;
- When the decision to return has been made, schools will get two weeks' notice of this.



Sadly, this means that we have at least four more school weeks of home-learning under the current arrangements. I know that this will be bitterly disappointing for many families and the children, but I hope that it provides some hope that there might be an end in sight, at least in terms of getting the children back into school.

We also received information from the Department for Education (DfE) yesterday that schools would not be asked to open over half-term for children of critical workers as was the case in the first lock-down. I don't think anyone was particularly expecting there to be an offer, but I thought it was worth sharing.





Google Classroom Communication

Please only use the comments on Google Classroom to discuss your child's work. If you have any concerns or worries please email the office.



Reports

Coming out soon will be your child's mid term report. It will share with you what has been achieved from September 2020- December 2020 and what needs to be worked on going forward. There is also a learning behaviours report to let you know how the children work in the classroom environment.

New Road Markings and Sign

Just to make everyone aware some new markings have been placed outside the school, followed with a new sign informing everyone that there is no stopping between 8-9am and 3-4pm.







<u>Reminder</u>

Celebration Assembly- Monday 10am

<u>Zumba-</u> Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9:15am.

LIVE assembly - Friday 10am

All on Mrs McCluskey's YouTube channel



Xavier really wanted me to send in this picture of him and his brother having fun indoor camping! Mum



Percy loved watching the Live lesson on birds and classification key charts. Percy knew all about this as Miss Parry had already taught him this.

Afterwards, Percy went outside and fed the birds peanuts and seeds on our bird feeder.







George had a busy weekend making bird feeders for the garden with bread, peanut butter and bird food! It was also mummies birthday so he prepared a yummy treat with dipping chocolate ③



SCHOOL LUNCHES FOR CRITICAL WORKERS' CHILDREN

	25th—29th January	1st—5th February	8th— 12th February
Mon	Panini pizza	Pasta bolognese	Cheesy pasta
Tues	Cheesy pasta	Pizza	Cottage pie
Weds	Sausage in a roll	Sausage and yorkshire pud- ding	Sausage in a roll
Thurs	Chicken curry & rice	Tomato & sweetcorn pasta bake	Pizza twirls
Fri	Fish fingers & chips	Fish fingers & chips	Fish cakes & chips





Dylan and his sister average about 4km for their daily walk, which is impressive going for their little legs. This 5km walk was round the fields of Lenham and they had immense fun splashing in puddles.

We were also pleased to receive a special guest of honour for tea on Saturday... a tiger!



This was good as we had some tiger masks that we made on Friday as the Year 1 art project!

Term Dates for Academic Year 2020-2021

Term 3

Mon 4th January – Fri 12th February

Term 4

Mon 22nd February - Thurs 1st April

Term 5

Mon 19th April – Fri 28th May (*INSET day Friday 28th May*) **Term 6** Monday 7th June- Wed 21st (*INSET day Friday 9th July*)





Abigail in Class 1 took part in the Big Garden Bird Watch with her little sister this weekend. They made bird hides and saw sparrows, starlings, blackbirds, blue tits, pigeons and a cute pair of wagtails! It was a lot of fun.









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