



Lee Brigg Infant & Nursery School

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Friday 19th June, 2020.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Phased Re-opening Of School

We have continued to welcome back increasing numbers of our pupils in eligible groups (Nursery, Reception and Year 1) as part of our phased reopening of school. A HUGE thank you once more to our parents and carers for observing social distance restrictions in place and conforming to health and safety guidance in line with our risk assessment of the school premises; your efforts assisted with a smooth transition into school for pupils.

Our school 'bubbles' have now reached full capacity and we are therefore presently not able to welcome any additional pupils into school. Should you be considered a 'critical worker' (such as employed by the emergency services) and you wish your child to return to school then we would ask that you contact the school office in the first instance. We will do all we can within Government guidance and risk assessment procedure to accommodate any critical worker requests, however we would ask for your patience whilst we review and consider options.

Healthy Lunches and Snacks

Just a reminder that for those pupils in school (Reception-Year 2) school are able to provide a 'grab bag' (which contains a sandwich, fruit, yogurt, biscuit and salad) for lunch. Alternatively, pupils are able to bring a packed lunch from home. We ask that parents and carers give their full support and ensure that pupil lunchboxes brought in from home reflect healthy choices. Fizzy pop, sweets, chocolate bars and fruit cordials (drinks) are not permitted.

Unfortunately, due to Government restrictions in place the School Fruit and Vegetable Service (SFVS) are not able to supply fruit for snack time. From Monday 22nd June 2020, we welcome parents / carers to supply fruit for morning snack should they wish.

Arriving Late and Advising Of Absence

We would like to remind parents and carers of those pupils who have returned to school of the importance of being punctual. Our risk assessment has been designed to ensure that pupils are welcomed into school in a phased approach to minimise both the number of people on site and the number of visitors to the school office. We reserve the right to refuse admission for those pupils who are habitually late in attending school. Should your child not be able to attend school for any reason, we would request that you advise school prior to 8:50am on 01924 893829 as we will continue to progress our first response process under our safeguarding responsibilities for those who do not attend and have not made contact with school.

Site Safety

Please could we remind parents and carers that cycling within the school grounds is not permitted. We would ask that you and your child dismount bicycles prior to entering the school grounds.

Transitions

In preparation for transitions in September 2020, we have created a 'transitions' tab on our school website (<http://www.leebrigg.wakefield.sch.uk/transitions>). We have a transition plan in place for each cohort within our school as well as those who will be joining and those who will be moving on from our school. We will be updating these pages with further information, including videos to welcome pupils in nursery and reception.

For those due to join Nursery or who will remain in Nursery – we have made available an information pack / letter and have contacted parents / carers by telephone

For those due to transition to Reception (from Nursery) - we have made available an information pack / letter and have contacted parents / carers by telephone

For those due to transition to Year 1 (from Reception) – Update will be given week commencing Monday 6th July

For those due to transition to Year 2 (from Year 1) – Update will be given week commencing Monday 6th July



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For those transitioning to Junior School – we hope for those transitioning to Altofts Junior School that you had opportunity to visit this week and meet your new class teacher. Miss Kilkenny will be contacting Year 2 parents / Carers (and pupils) who remain at home next week by telephone to check how you all are and to allow you to ask any questions you may have regarding transitions. For those transitioning to alternate junior schools we have made contact with these settings and will update you individually regarding transition planning.

We will be in touch with Year 2 parents in regards to alternative plans we have in place to mark their transition to junior school in the coming weeks.

School Photographs

Mrs Dixon-Child has made contact with Tempest Photography to enquire as to whether they would be able to facilitate a 'socially distanced photograph session' with them. We had hoped that they may be able to support individual / family photographs and possibly superimpose pupils onto a 'class' photograph. Unfortunately, Tempest photography remain closed for the foreseeable future under current government restrictions and there is therefore no option to arrange school photographs with them. As the restrictions will affect the photographic industry as a whole, we regrettably will not be able to go ahead with school photographs this academic year. We appreciate this may be disappointing for parents / carers; however we must respect Government guidance to uphold the safety of all on the school premises.

Cycle Skills

This week, our Year 2 pupils would have met with their friends from schools around the local community to participate in our annual 'cycle skills' event. Unfortunately, this event has been cancelled due to Government Coronavirus restrictions. Whilst it is by no means a replacement, we would direct you to a [Bikeability Tools For Schools](#) pack, which you can participate in should you wish. Please do send photos in should you manage to get out and about on your bikes (whilst observing restrictions in place) as we would love to see these!

School Uniform

We have now secured supply of uniform from Fairway Graphics, who will be able to satisfy orders from July 2020. Details have been updated on our school website (<http://www.leebrigg.wakefield.sch.uk/parents/uniform>).

Home Learning

Just to reassure those pupils who remain at home; staff will continue to keep in touch with you by telephone, and will continue to update the home learning pages of our school website with non-compulsory suggestions for home learning. As our teaching staff are now back in school full time, we have less capacity to provide paper home learning packs as frequently as we have done previously. Should anyone have difficulties in accessing 'online' home learning and require additional support, please contact the school office in the first instance.

Mr Brooks

It is with a heavy heart that I share with you that Mr Brooks has decided to leave the Lee Brigg family. Mr Brooks leaves us at the end of next week with our sincere thanks and very best wishes – he has for a sustained period of time juggled his role within school simultaneously whilst project managing renovations underway within his family home. Mr Brooks has decided to devote his time to completing his home renovations (to allow him to hopefully have some time to sit back and enjoy the completed renovations before winter sets in!) I know that many parents / carers enjoyed chatting with Mr Brooks whilst on site, and for some of you there will not be opportunity for you to say goodbye in person. Therefore, if anyone has any messages of thanks or best wishes they would like to be passed on to Mr Brooks then please do get in touch and we will ensure that these are conveyed.

Value of the half term

This half term, we are asking Parents and Carers of all pupils who would like to participate to e-mail admin@leebrigg.wakefield.sch.uk should they 'spot' our values of the term (**Keeping Active, Being Healthy**) at home and wish to recognise them. We have created a page on our school website (<http://www.leebrigg.wakefield.sch.uk/about-us/value-of-the-term---keeping-active-being-healthy-summer-1>) with quotes from our pupils and their families (initial and year



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group only will be used). We hope that using our school website to share quotes will allow those who remain at home and those who have returned to school to share experiences using a common resource. Each e-mail received will be responded to by staff.

Sports Day

Unfortunately, due to Government restrictions in place, we are unable to hold our annual school sports day. This event is ordinarily extremely well attended by our families and staff join in your disappointment at not being able to host our usual event this year.

As you know, at Lee Brigg we endeavour to overcome challenges and as such, we will be looking to host a virtual sports day. We are inviting both those learning within school and those learning at home to complete a number of planned activities at home and for parents and carers to help by sending in scores. There are 5 activities, along with a scoresheet which can be found at the bottom of this newsletter (this document will also be uploaded to the 'Virtual Sports Day' section of our home learning tab).

Friends Of Lee Brigg (FOLB)

I'd like to say a HUGE thank you to our Friends Of Lee Brigg in lieu of being able to at our annual Summer Fayre, which would have been the final event organised by some of the parents within the group who have pupils who will be moving on from Lee Brigg this year. The FOLB are intrinsic in funding key developments at our school which our budget simply could not extend to – I know I speak for our staff and our pupils when I say that their resilience, commitment and kindness does not go unnoticed and is very much appreciated by all.

We look forward to working with the remaining members next year at events (Government restrictions permitting) such as our Christmas Fayre, Discos, Movie Nights, Sponsored Bounce and Summer Fayre – please look out for updates in regards to these events! Should you be interested in finding out more about FOLB or indeed joining the group, then please contact the school office or take a look at their page on our school website (<http://www.leebrigg.wakefield.sch.uk/about-us/friends-of-lee-brigg-folb>)

WANTED – Community Governor

We are currently looking to recruit a 'Community Governor' to our Governing Body (now called Academy Standards Committee (ASC)). Just to clarify, the candidate does not necessarily need to be a parent of the school, but someone who lives within our local community. If you are interested, or know someone who might be, please contact Miss Gordon via the school office for further details.

Pigeon Visit

Our Year 1 'bubble' was thrilled to welcome a very special visitor last Thursday (11th June). Mrs Goulding kindly brought into school one of her homing pigeons 'Piedy'. The group discussed the features of a pigeon, and drew / labelled these before releasing Piedy to fly home. We are pleased to report that Piedy made it back safely to Mrs Goulding's house in record time!

And Finally

Ordinarily we pride ourselves on ensuring that we share 'good news' stories and maintain an upbeat rhythm to our school newsletter. However, due to circumstances beyond our control accountable to Covid-19, this week's newsletter contains many details of numerous planned events within the school calendar which we have had no option other than to postpone or cancel. I'd like to apologise for the disappointment cancellation of these events will undoubtedly cause.

Please be assured that wherever possible, we have made enquiries to explore alternative options, yet despite best efforts we have had to concede that in the majority, the safest option given current restrictions is to postpone / cancel or amend events.

Yours sincerely,

Sarah Gordon – Headteacher



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Virtual Sports Day 2020

Activity	Description	Points
1. Star Jumps 	Start with feet together and hands by your side. Jump to land with feet apart and hands above your head. Count 1 point for every jump you make in 30 seconds.	
2. Leg Balance 	Balance on 1 leg on your tiptoes with other leg bent and foot resting beside knee. Score points for how long you can hold the position. 0-5 secs = 1 point , 6-10 secs = 2 points , 11-15 secs = 3 points , 16-20 secs = 4 points , 21-25 secs = 5 points , over 25 secs = 6 points .	
3. Throw & Catch 	Throw and catch a ball or pair of socks against a wall or with a partner. Score 1 point for each catch made in 30 seconds.	
4. Tummy Pass 	Pass a ball/teddy/socks around your tummy as many times as possible in 30 seconds. Score 1 point each time you pass it around your tummy without dropping it.	
5. Target Throw 	Collect 10 socks/items/teddies. Throw one at a time towards a hoop/bucket/basket/container. Score 1 point for each item that goes into the hoop/bucket/basket/container.	
Name:	Class:	Total:
Please send completed sheets to admin@leebrigg.wakefield.sch.uk no later than 26 th June 2020.		



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