



# Leedon Lower School

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## Learning Without Limits

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021

Dear All

We are writing to let you know our arrangements for next week. We hope that they make sense and that we have answered as many questions as possible that you may have. We are very excited to have the school filled with all the children's voices and seeing everyone again on Monday.

### How will drop off work?

We will be opening the gates for drop off between 8.40am and 9.10am. Please do not come onto the school site until 8.40am at the earliest. A face covering **MUST** be worn at all times when you are on the school site, unless you have told us in the past that you have a legitimate reason for not wearing one. You are welcome to drop your child/children off at **any** time within this window. If you are able to drop off closer to 9am that would really help the staggering of arrivals to ensure we can all maintain social distancing guidelines on the drive and around the school site. If everybody arrives at 8.40am there will be a huge queue so if you are able to come slightly later that would help everybody. We do not know if the road closure will be in place on Highfield Road again.

All parents and children will follow the same one-way system that was in place before this lockdown.

- **Key Stage 1** will continue to leave through the library and exit the school via the office.
- **Key Stage 2** will drop off at the KS2 building then continue to walk past the building, through the Brooklands field gate and down the field back onto the carpark.
- **Reception** will drop off and then continue on the path passed the Reception building and through the gate to Brooklands field and down to the car park.
- **Little Learners** will drop off and then continue on the path past the end of the Reception building and go through the gate to Brooklands field and down to the car park.

Please take a look at the map below. We hope that it helps. There will of course be staff around the site to help too. Please do not walk against the one-way system. If you have children in different key stages then you only need to walk round once as children, in most cases, can be sent to class.





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### How will pick up work?

As with drop offs, we will be having a half hour window for collection from **3pm to 3.30pm**. We are asking you again to come at **any** time within this time. All parents and carers will follow the exact same route as the morning drop off above.

### Lunches

We will continue to publish our menu in the Leedon Link ready for the next week. Children will be asked to order their lunch choice when they register in the morning. A reminder that all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals. For children who are not entitled to Free School Meals in Year 3 & 4 the cost is £2.20 per day.

If you're working circumstances have changed during the pandemic and you think your child may be entitled to Free School Meals you can find out more information at

[https://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/info/53/benefits/4/free\\_school\\_meals/3](https://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/info/53/benefits/4/free_school_meals/3) or call them on 0300 3008306. You will need to have your National Insurance Number to hand.

All children who are having school dinners will be eating in the hall. Children who have a packed lunch will eat in the classrooms, at least for the first three weeks.

### Wellbeing

We understand that there may be some anxiety for you and your children in returning to school. Our afternoons this half term will be heavily focused on the children's wellbeing, spending time socialising with their friends and working on their independent learning skills. Our wonderful pastoral team will also be working with individual and small groups of children when needed.

<https://www.leedonlowerschool.co.uk/getting-ready-to-return-to-school-march-2021/>

### World Book Day

Although the official day for World Book Day this year is Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March, we have decided to postpone it by one week so that we can celebrate it all together in school. We have moved it to Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March. We are inviting all children to dress up as their favourite character from a book. **Please** do not go out and spend lots of money on costumes – it is not a competition!

### Screen Free Day

For our last day of home learning, we will be running another Screen Free Day. In our feedback from the Family Catch Ups, our Screen Free Week was incredibly well received so we've decided to do one more before everyone comes back to school on Monday.

There will be a grid of activities available on the website on Friday morning and children are invited to complete as many of them as they wish.

### PE

We will be returning to our usual timetable for PE. Below is a list of which days your child needs to come to school in their PE kits. PE will be predominantly outside so please make sure your child is warm enough and has a named water bottle.



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<b>Monday</b>	<b>Star – 1</b>		<b>Rocket – 2</b>		<b>Supernova – 3</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Rocket – 2</b>	<b>Neptune – 2</b>	<b>Mars – 2</b>	<b>Venus – 3</b>	<b>Pluto – 3</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Galaxy – 4</b>	<b>Moon – 4</b>	<b>Earth – 1</b>	<b>Sun – 1</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Star – 1</b>	<b>Earth – 1</b>	<b>Sun – 1</b>	<b>Galaxy – 4</b>	<b>Moon – 4</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Neptune – 2</b>	<b>Mars – 2</b>	<b>Pluto – 3</b>	<b>Venus – 3</b>	<b>Supernova – 3</b>

### Out of School Club

Before and after school club will be running as normal. They will now be based back in the Out of School Club building for Years 1 – 4. Any Reception children joining before and after school will be based in the Reception unit. Please make all bookings via the Office 01525 374713

### Any queries or messages

If you have any queries or messages for staff, please communicate via the Office 01525 374713. Due to the one-way system, it will not be possible to stop at the office or speak to teachers at the door.

### Maths Packs, Reading Books, Water Bottles and Clothing

Please could you make sure your child brings back their Maths pack of resources on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. They will be using this equipment in class as children are still discouraged from sharing resources.

Thank you to everyone who returned their reading books on Friday. If you still have any at home, please send them in with your child on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March.

Please make sure your child has a filled, named water bottle at school every day. Although we are starting to see signs of Spring, it is still cold, and we will still need to have windows open to help with ventilation in classrooms. Therefore, please make sure your child is appropriately dressed in an extra layer for warmth.

If your child has had a growth spurt since last year don't worry, any uniform that fits is fine in the short term and trainers are not a problem if you've seen their feet expand too!

Kind regards

Mr Richard Benson