

LADYWELL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents/ Carers,

I hope you managed to enjoy the October break. We are now settling into what is usually a very busy term in the school calendar. Unfortunately things will be very different this year as we approach Christmas, however I am sure the staff at Ladywell will continue to provide fun and engaging learning experiences for your child/children.

As always, if you have any concerns, please contact me in any of the following ways:

01698 522719

ht@ladywell.n-lanark.sch.uk

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COVID Procedures

As I am sure you are aware we have many procedures in place in school to safeguard against the spread of Covid including enhanced cleaning, regular hand washing and sanitising, wearing of face coverings, one way system of movement around the school, staggered start and finish times and staggered lunch breaks.

Children also have an identified seat within their classroom, in their class line and in the dining room. Each class teacher keeps me updated of any changes in these seating and line arrangements. The purpose of this is so that I can identify exactly who your child has come into contact with throughout the day while within the school building.

I am very aware that the prevalence of Covid within North Lanarkshire has risen in recent weeks and parents are understandably anxious.

Please be assured that we follow Scottish Government guidance very closely and, working closely with Public Health, have strict procedures in place to ensure the safety of your child. If there was any risk to your child, at any time, I would contact you immediately.

Some parents have asked for a regular update on cases of Covid within the school community. Please be aware that I share this information with the Parent Council at our monthly meetings, the minutes of which can be found on our website.

Parent Council Meetings

As with most meetings at the moment our Parent Council meetings are held online, usually on the first Thursday of every month. This month however our

meeting will be held on the 12th November. This meeting is open to all parents, although only those who have been elected to be part of the Parent Council can actively vote on any issues. If you would like to be part of this meeting please contact me by email and I will send you the link to join the on line meeting.

Absence of staff

As is the same in any school year there have been some teaching and non-teaching members of staff absent over the past couple of weeks.

While I will not share the reason for any staff absence please be assured that if the absence presented a risk to your child with regards to Covid I would contact you.

Use of Twitter

Please be aware that Twitter should not be used to send a query, ask advice or report an absence. This must be done by contacting the school office.

Twitter should only be used to share the fabulous work that your children produce and we welcome positive comments supporting this.

Autumn Art Competition

Thank you very much to our PTA for organising the Autumn Art competition. Children from all classes took part and winners were announced last week. We are very lucky to have such a supportive PTA within Ladywell, thank you!

Homework

Your child's homework is now being posted through Teams.

Some parents have requested paper copies of homework tasks. While we are happy to provide homework in this way we ask that it is not returned to the school. This is to help minimise any risk of infection transmission.

Diary Dates

Please note the following dates:

- Monday 16th November - In Service Day - children should not attend school
- School closes for the Christmas break on Tuesday 22nd December and re opens on Wednesday 6th January 2021

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Twitter Account: @ladywellPS -Maths@Ladywell for maths activities and competitions.