



Langley Mill Infant & Nursery News

Autumn 1 2024



Welcome back to school everyone, we hope you all had a lovely summer break. A special welcome to all our new pupils.

We are looking forward to a fantastic year ahead with lots of exciting learning happening. There have been lots of changes in school over the summer, we hope you saw the photos on our Dojo page and Facebook page.

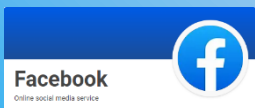
CONTACT DETAILS

In case of an emergency, it is imperative that we always hold up-to-date contact details. Latest statutory guidance states we must have a minimum of two emergency contact details per child. We also use a texting service to communicate quickly and effectively with parents. Therefore, mobile numbers must always be kept up-to-date or you will miss vital reminders and we won't be able to contact you in an emergency. Please inform us immediately of any changes of address, telephone numbers, contacts or medical conditions for your child.

Ways to Keep in touch with what is happening in school

Don't forget to use our website. There is lots of important information on it about our school. Each class has a page where you can find out all about the learning in their class for the term and any important dates. www.langleymillinfantschool.co.uk

We also have a facebook page and class dojo where we will share information. Please follow us.



Langley Mill CofE Infant School & Nursery



Langley Mill CofE Dojo (invites will be sent out if you don't already follow us).

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

The government have changed their expectation of attendance for this year. We shared the poster last term with the new expectations which we have to follow. I have attached a copy with this as a reminder.

As a school our attendance has been significantly lower than it should be so we have worked hard to produce a flowchart to support you with what will happen if attendance is lower than it should be and how we want to reward good attendance. You had a copy of this last year and it can be found on our website. Please ask if you would like another copy.

Please can you try really hard to ensure your child is attending school and on time (lateness can also affect their attendance rate too). Remember to let the office know before school if your child is unwell so we can log it.

Thank you

- Breakfast Club - 8am
- Nursery - 8.45 am - 11.45 am / 12.30 pm - 3.30 pm
- School - 8.55 am - 3.25 pm

In school, the bell rings on the rear playground at 8.50am to allow the children five minutes to get into school, hang their coats/bags up and be ready for the register at the start time of 8.55am

If your child has a medical appointment during the school day (which should be taken out of school times where possible), please bring the appointment cards/letters to the main office.

Thank you.

MEDICATION

Please remember that if your child needs to take prescribed medicine in school, a medical form must be completed at the main school office. We cannot administer medicines that are not prescribed or less than x4 times daily dosage.

BEHAVIOUR

We worked really hard on our behaviour last year and the new behaviour blueprint has made it really clear to children, parents and staff. We know that the vast majority of our children behave well every day and so we have plenty of reward systems in place.

Our main aim is to approach behaviour by praising the positives. Our motto is 'Praise in Public, Reprimand in Private'.

There will be lots of praise and reward when children make good choices and we will be ensuring you, as parents know through sending your child home with stickers, postcards, via text/dojo or a positive phone call.

There will be times when a child doesn't make the right choice and we want them to learn behaviours have consequences using a positive approach and through a restorative approach and reflection.

We will still be having bucket bonanza on a Friday for 30 minutes for the children who have made fantastic choices that week.

HOME LEARNING

The home learning for this term will be a focus on Reading and Phonics as it is such a vital skill that children need to gain.. The expectation is for you to read 5 times a week with your child.

NO SMOKING

Please remember that the school grounds are no smoking or vaping throughout. We also ask that entrance gate areas remain smoke free too. It is very unpleasant for non-smoking children and adults to have no choice but to walk through plumes of smoke on their way into and out of school. Please be mindful of the health and safety of all our pupils and their families.

INDIVIDUAL PHOTOGRAPHS

All children will have individual photographs taken on Wednesday 11th September from 8.00am for photos with siblings in another school. I can't wait to see them all come on that day looking extra smart.

EARLY HELP OFFER

Please don't hesitate to contact us if there is anything you are concerned about or would like support with.

Here is the link to our Early Help Offer on our website.

[Early Help - Langley Mill Church of England Infant School and Nursery \(langleymillinfantschool.co.uk\)](http://langleymillinfantschool.co.uk)

BIRTHDAYS

On your child's birthday they are welcome to come to school in their own clothes as a special treat. We just ask that the clothing is sensible, and they still wear sensible footwear e.g. trainers. As Derbyshire Schools are health promoting schools, we ask that you don't bring in sweets or cakes for the class. Thank you

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our annual Harvest Festival will be held on Friday 25th October. We will send out more details nearer the time.

On the day, please send your child to school with in-date, non-perishable goods that can be added to the Langley Mill Food Bank to help those less fortunate than ourselves.

UNIFORM

A reminder of our active uniform expectations.

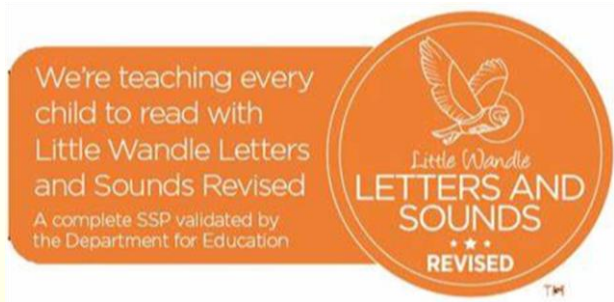
- A plain white polo shirt (with or without the school logo)
- A plain royal blue sweatshirt or v-neck jumper or cardigan (with or without the school logo)
- Plain black/dark grey tracksuit bottoms or leggings or shorts (not fashion shorts or denim) or a skirt.
- Plain black shoes or trainers (Velcro unless child can tie their own laces with no logos or branding)
- Plain black pumps for PE (to be kept in a drawstring bag in school to avoid wet/mud in the hall)
- A pair of wellies (to be kept in a plastic bag on pegs)

Depending on the weather please bring in sun hats, suntan lotion (to be kept in school with the child's name on) or raincoats etc.

Your child also needs to bring their book bag into school every day. Please remember it is no rucksacks (due to space on pegs).

We also have a no jewellery in school policy for children.

Phonics



This year we have changed to a new Phonics Scheme called Little Wandle. It is used by a large number of schools across the country and has a fantastic reputation. It is aimed to support with phonics and reading so children will be getting new books this year (please look after these as we need to ensure we have enough for children to use throughout the year and moving forward).

Later this term, Mrs Wilmott (our English Lead) will be doing a workshop and inviting parents in to see what the new scheme involves.

Little Wandle has a lot of videos and resources for parents as well which we will share with you as and when needed through the year. We hope you find these helpful when supporting your child.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES

Celebration Assemblies are on Fridays at 9.10am.

If your child is receiving an award you will be invited to join us that week.

Children will receive certificates for;

- Class Mouse of the Week (Learn)
- Bucket Filler of the Week (Respect/Behaviour)
- Readers who have won a free book (Aspire/Learn)
- Class Attendance Trophy of the Week

DIARY DATES FOR THIS TERM

Wednesday 4th September - Inset Day

Thursday 5th September - Welcome Back

Wednesday 11th September - Individual Photo Day 8.00am start for photos with siblings not in our school otherwise come at the normal time and they will be done in school time.

Thursday 12th September - Year 2 Parent Meeting 9.00am

Friday 13th September - Year 1 Parent Meeting 9.00am

Friday 20th September - Friday Celebration Assemblies Begin

Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th October - Parent's Evenings (details to follow soon)

Friday 25th October - Harvest Festival Celebration 10am and 2pm (details to follow nearer the time)

Friday 25th October - Break Up for Half Term

Other Dates may be added so please keep an eye on messages from school and on Dojo as this will be updated regularly.



We hope you all have a fantastic term.
From Mrs Gardner and the Langley Mill Team

