

NEWSLETTER

Friday 4th February 2022

Spring Term Issue 05



Dear Parent and Carers

I hope you are well and you have had a good week so far. As usual we will kick off with Covid updates:

COVID 19: Cases are rising, rapidly, here at Lanner. At the time of writing this, we have 15 confirmed cases of children and 3 staff members off with positive test results. We are continuing to do everything we can to reduce the transmission rates and we appreciate your help and support by taking extra precautions at home. I was very saddened to hear some local schools, very close to us, have recently had to temporarily shut their entire setting due to Covid.

Other news:

Y6 London Trip: Wow... what an amazing few days we have had with the year 6's in London. To say I was anxious about organising this trip is a slight understatement. Myself, Mrs Merrifield, Mrs Dinham and Mrs Leaver had sleepless nights in the build up to this trip, as I am sure many of you did too. But we made it. For our year 6 children this was their first residential in 2 years for them. The weather, accommodation, activities and travel were all perfect. Behaviour was exemplary, as one would expect from Lanner School children, and it was a genuine pleasure to experience this time with them. Thank you to all the staff who came, without this level of commitment from our teaching staff we would be in such a different place. Thank you to all the parents for your kind comments and support and of course, thank you to the children for being amazing ambassadors for Lanner school. I am sure that positive lifetime memories for these children have been made, and I hope there are many, many more to come too.

Debt:

Not such an exciting topic to be talking about, and it is thankfully not an issue at the moment. I just thought a reminder might not go amiss regarding our policy on debt. My stance on debt remains unchanged. I see it as my duty not to allow families to rack up debt in the first instance. For no other reason, other than ensuring that people do not get themselves into a financial pickle. We hear too often about families finding themselves in almost impossible situations to get out of, due to small debts that have accumulated over a period of time. Therefore, you will be unable to use the School Gateway App if you do run up a negative amount of £20.00. Sadly, as you are probably well aware, there is a whole industry surrounding debt and some unscrupulous companies prey on and encourage families to rack up large debts that they will never realistically be able to get out of. As always, please speak to me if ever you are experiencing financial difficulties - even if it is just for some advice or signposting. We will always gladly support and help where we can.

Reading:

On a much brighter and happier note, I am so pleased with how our curriculum is going at the moment. Children are learning such a wide range of topics and they are recalling their knowledge facts with ease. Please continue to encourage this at home, and quiz your children on their key knowledge facts for the half term. The impact we are seeing is great. In addition, it is an absolute joy to see so many children engaged in their reading books. There is a clear love and thirst for reading around the school and I have daily conversations with children about their favourite book and authors. It is heart-warming to see.

And that is all from me this week folks. I hope you have a great weekend and look forward to seeing you all next week.

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Lannergrams

Well done to everyone who received a Lannergram this week:

Y1: Austin, Elijah, Ozzy

Y2: Indie, Harvey, Heidi

Y3: Darcy, Barnaby, Caitlin

Y4: Charlie, Chloe, Phoebe

Y5: Nico, Jess F, Hetty

Y6: Evie, Mason, Willow

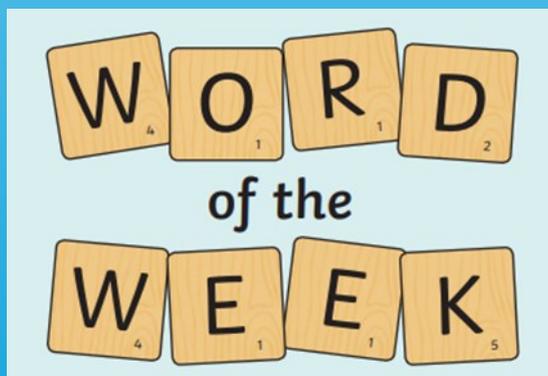


Attendance Cup

The attendance cup was awarded to **Year 1** this week for their attendance.

Group	% Attend
Year 1	99.2
Year 2	94.0
Year 3	93.3
Year 4	89.6
Year 5	97.7
Year 6	83.8
Totals	92.6

Our word of the week is - **Crave**



To need or desire very much

Definition—After going on a very long walk, Robert craved a big glass of water.

Please try and use this word as much as you can with your child.