

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a wonderful half term welcoming all of the children back to school. We have tried to ensure that the children experience the joy of Spring time, even in lockdown and it certainly has been magical for the children and staff to experience the 'awe and wonder' of chicks hatching. Most of the chicks have now moved to the farm, but we have kept three in school so that we can learn how they grow and change.

On Monday we have some lambs visiting for the day, so I am hoping for a warm and sunny day for their visit. I am sure that the children will be keen to tell you all about this.



Mrs Ackerman, Head teacher



Snack Donations

As we have not been in school for the full term we have not asked for any donations to date.

However, we would be very grateful if you could make a small contribution of £10 per child to support the costs we have paid for snack, cooking and clay this term.

Payment to be made electronically through the school bank account please, details are:

Sort code: 20-17-19

Account number: 33888401 please use your child's name as a reference. If you prefer to pay cash, please put in a named envelope in the box outside the school office. Thank you

Bikes and Scooters

Please can I remind all parents to ensure that children do **NOT** ride their bikes or scooters on schools grounds. We have currently closed the storage area for bikes and scooters (please take your bikes and scooters home with you) as use of this has been creating two way traffic on the pathway out of school and we are currently operating a one way system for everyone's safety. Thank You.



Birthday celebrations.

We think that it is important to celebrate the children's birthdays in school. Especially whilst the children are not able to have parties at home. We are breaking all of our healthy schools rules and for now are happy to share shop bought cake (no nuts) in school at snack time or give out small bags of sweets (eg Haribo) at home time. Please liaise with your child's key worker if you wish to send in something for your child's birthday. If your child has allergies please can you provide something that we can safely offer to them.

What you say matters to us...

Thank you all for your kind words and supportive emails in the last few months. As part of our self evaluation we will be sending out a short parent survey next week, please help us by filling this in.



Uniform.

We encourage all children to wear a school uniform. If you wish to purchase school uniform you can do this direct from our uniform supplier. All uniform will be delivered to your home.

The website to order school uniform is:

<https://www.yourteamsportswear.co.uk/ludwick-nursery-school-204-c.asp>



Staff news

Gina Alessi our Teaching School Administrator is leaving us to take up more hours work with the University. Gina has been instrumental in the smooth running of the teaching school and keeping our website up to date. We thank her for her commitment to the school and wish her well in the future.

We are optimistic that our shielding staff Mrs Hosten-White, Mrs Sparrow and Mrs Hill will be back in school after Easter.

My thanks to Mrs Laflin who has led Skylight Room who has recently led Skylight room for us. Mrs Hosten-White will resume her role as class teacher after Easter and Mrs Laflin will be the lead teacher for our Enrichment group.

We are also looking forward to Mrs Pharaoh coming back this week now that she has recovered from Covid.

Thank you to everyone in the amazing staff team at Ludwick who have worked so hard to keep our school as happy and normal as possible in these unprecedented times. It is a privilege to lead such a wonderful team !

Please remember that we do not allow smoking or vaping on the school site.



School Governors

We currently have vacancies for two co-opted governors. If you know anyone who is interested in joining our lovely Governing Body then please ask them to call or email Liz Rose our School Business Manager for more information. sbm@ludwick.herts.sch.uk

*Urgent communication from Herts County Council about use of lateral flow tests. Home tests, also known as lateral flow tests, absolutely **should not be carried out on children in nursery, infant or primary school**. It is explicitly **not recommended** as part of the testing programme and we are concerned that it could hurt or cause injury to small children. If you are worried about small children or they develop symptoms, please seek advice from your GP or call 111.*



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Last day of term: Friday 26th March
Easter holiday: Monday 29th - Friday 9th April
Summer term: Monday 12th April- Wednesday 21st July
Bank Holiday (School closed) Monday 3rd May
Half Term Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June
Occasional Day- TBC



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