



Thursday 11th November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been another enjoyable and packed week at Leopold. We welcomed a curriculum review from the Local Authority which involved an in depth look into our schemes of work. We want to thank all of the teachers involved in this process for their hard work and dedication to the pupils at Leopold Primary School. We look forward to building on our curriculum with new innovative approaches to ensure that our curriculum is bespoke to the context of our school.

In light of the new national restrictions, an update of any changes impacting the school will be considered. The government have made very few changes to the guidance for schools and we will remain open to all pupils. We will continue to use the safety measures that are already in place as addressed in the school's risk assessment (available on our school website). We encourage parents to wear masks when queuing for the children at the end of the day. Please ensure that you join an orderly queue as you wait for your children to be released to you.

Remembrance Day

On Wednesday we observed a 2 minutes silence throughout the school. The silence is meant as a tribute to those who lost their lives fighting for their country. Poppies are on sale at school. If you would like to buy one please send 50p with your child in an envelope with the child's name.

The reason poppies are used to remember those who have given their lives in battle is because they are the flowers which grew on the battlefields after World War One ended. This is described in the famous World War One Poem In Flanders Fields.



COVID

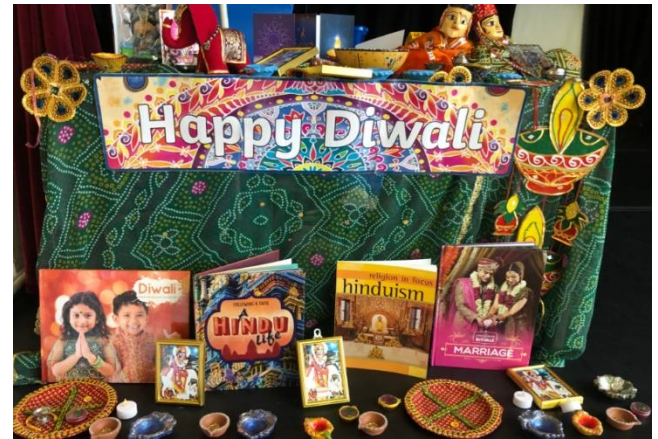
It is imperative that you notify the school if anyone in your household is being tested or have received a positive result for COVID 19. If someone in your household is awaiting a result or tests positive for COVID 19, do not bring your child into school. Please call the schools office and inform us. Please see further guidance below.



Diwali

This week we are celebrating Diwali at Leopold Primary School. Diwali is a five-day festival of lights, celebrated by millions of Hindus, Sikhs and Jains across the world.

Diwali, which for some also coincides with harvest and new year celebrations, is a festival of new beginnings and the triumph of good over evil, and light over darkness.



Attendance

As per government guidelines, school attendance is mandatory. To achieve this please bring your child to school on time each day. If your child is unwell you must inform the school office on 020 8 961 5336 or send an email to attendance@leopold.brent.sch.uk by 8:30am.

Nursery places

There are nursery places available at the Leopold Hawkshead Road site. Please contact the school office or Zena Meigan our Early Years coordinator for more information. You can also see a virtual tour of our Early Years on the school website. <http://www.leopoldprimary.co.uk/early-years-tour/>

National lockdown

Since Thursday 5 November until Wednesday 2 December, the Government announced a lockdown requiring the following action:

- Requiring people to stay at home, except for specific purposes.
- Preventing gathering with people you do not live with, except for specific purposes.
- Closing certain businesses and venues.
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The lockdown does not require schools to implement additional protective measures and it is the Government's present intention that schools and early years settings will remain open.



Attendance 02/11/20-06/11/20

Congratulations to Year 6 Bonsai (100%) and 3 Elm (98%) who achieved the highest attendance last week.



New Absence Email

Please remember that you can email pupil absences via:

attendance@leopold.brent.sch.uk

Please submit absences with the following details: 1. Pupils name 2. Class and 3. Reason of absence/illness by latest 9AM.



Dates

Last Day of term: Friday 18th Dec

Christmas Holiday: Mon 23rd Dec

Staff Inset(closed): Mon 4th Jan 2021

Spring Term: Tues 5th Jan 2021

Highlights of the week



Star of the week:

R Moonbeam: Ramadanu & Chelsea

R Sunshine: Jaydon & Janu

Year 1 Ash: James & Am9*+elia E.

Year 1 Oak: Elyas & Amelia B.

Year 2 Maple: Amro & Haja

Year 2 Palm: Malachi & Angel

Year 3 Cedar: Ilyas & Shamayah

Year 3 Elm: William & Amira

Year 4 Aspen: Mohammed S & Kiyara

Year 4 Teak: Jaden & Chloe

Year 5 Chestnut: Mousa & Xanai

Year 5 Juniper: Joshua & Isabella

Year 6 Bonsai: Jadire & Hana

Year 6 Willow: Demar & Amina

Writing competition winners!

3rd Place: Malak E

2nd Place: Muneeza

1st Place: Abdullah



HM Government



CORONAVIRUS

NATIONAL RESTRICTIONS

5 November to 2 December
National restrictions apply to England:

<p>Meeting Indoors </p> <p>You cannot meet anybody socially indoors unless they are in your household or support bubble.</p>	<p>Meeting Outdoors </p> <p>You can meet with 1 person from another household in outdoor public spaces, following social distancing. Children under 5 and anyone dependent on continuous care do not count towards the 2 person limit.</p>	<p>Weddings and Funerals </p> <p>Weddings and civil partnership ceremonies can only take place where one of those getting married is seriously ill and not expected to recover. Funerals can take place with up to 30 people in attendance.</p>	<p>Working from home </p> <p>You must work from home if you can. If you cannot work from home you should continue to go to work (unless you are clinically extremely vulnerable).</p>
<p>Essential Shops </p> <p>Open. Essential shops should follow COVID-secure guidelines.</p>	<p>Non-essential Retail </p> <p>Closed. Can only open for click-and-collect and delivery services.</p>	<p>Exercise </p> <p>You can exercise outside on your own or with your household; your support bubble; or one person from another household.</p>	<p>Leisure and Gyms </p> <p>Closed. Except for allotments and outdoor playgrounds.</p>
<p>Hospitality </p> <p>Closed except for takeaway, click-and-collect, drive through and delivery services. Takeaway not permitted after 22:00.</p>	<p>Education </p> <p>Early years, schools and FE colleges open. Universities must reflect wider restrictions.</p>	<p>Healthcare Services </p> <p>You can leave home for any medical reason.</p>	<p>Residential Care </p> <p>Care homes are encouraged to provide safe, COVID-secure visiting opportunities. See the guidance for details on how to keep visits safe.</p>
<p>Travel </p> <p>You must not travel in the UK or overseas other than for permitted reasons, including work, education, medical reasons, caring responsibilities or for essential retail.</p>	<p>Public Transport </p> <p>You may still use public transport, but should only travel for permitted reasons and should look to reduce the number of journeys you make, avoid traveling at peak times, and walk or cycle where you can.</p>	<p>Overnight Stays </p> <p>Overnight stays and holidays away from primary residences are not allowed, except for work and other exempt purposes.</p>	<p>Entertainment and tourism </p> <p>Entertainment venues are closed. Public gardens at visitor attractions are open.</p>
<p>Vulnerable People </p> <p>If you are 60+ or clinically vulnerable, be especially careful to follow the rules and minimise contacts with others. If you are clinically extremely vulnerable you are advised to stay at home as much as possible, except to go outdoors for exercise or to attend essential health appointments.</p>	<p>Worship </p> <p>Closed. Except for: funerals, broadcasting acts of worship, and individual prayer.</p>	<p>Childcare </p> <p>Registered childcare and childcare activities open to enable parents to work, or for respite care. Parents can form a childcare bubble with another household for informal childcare, where the child is 13 or under.</p>	<p>Youth Clubs and Activities </p> <p>Some youth services are able to continue, such as 1-1 youth work and support groups, but most youth clubs and groups will need to cease for this period.</p>

For more information and detailed guidance visit:
[gov.uk/coronavirus](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)



HANDS



FACE



SPACE



What to do if your child is displaying symptoms of coronavirus (COVID 19)

Before making the journey into school, you must stop and ask yourself these questions:

1. Does your child have a new, continuous cough?
2. A high temperature?
3. Loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia).

If you answered YES to any of the above, you must not come to school- you must call 111 for advice.

If your child becomes unwell during the school day, they will be sent home and you are advised to follow the guidance for households with possible, or confirmed Coronavirus (COVID-19) infection.

As per guidance, the household must:

- self-isolate for at least 10 days
- arrange to have a test to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19)

If your child has:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in, sense of
smell or taste

This could be a sign of
coronavirus

Book a test

If your child has:
a runny nose, is sneezing or
feeling unwell
But they don't have:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in,
sense of smell or taste

These are
**not normally symptoms of
coronavirus**

Seek advice from a pharmacy, dial
111 or see your GP

Please see the updated guidance for parents and carers from the DfE.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term>

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Obinwanne
Head of School