



NEWSLETTER

7TH MAY 2021

WELCOME

Dear Laurance Haines Family,

Last Friday, our school community came together to join in for nationwide event, 'England does the Daily Mile'. We took this opportunity to continue our fundraising efforts for the Salvation Army and to celebrate Sir Captain Tom Moore's 101st birthday. Every child and member of staff joined Mrs Ball and I in running a mile across the day, as well as each year group completing 100 set exercises. From Nursery to Year 6, our children discussed the benefits of exercise and healthy living as well as the importance of charity. It took far too long for the legs to recover this week, but the smiles have remained following a brilliant event to bring our school community closer together again following an eventful year. Thank you to those of you who were able to donate - we raised an additional £349 for the Salvation Army. Should you still wish to support the course, please follow the link [here](#)

This week, we were joined by an Early Years Advisor and the Headteacher's from Beechfield and Cherry Tree for a walk around the Reception and Nursery classes. Whilst the focus of the visit was to share in conversations as school leaders and to prepare for statutory changes to the Early Years Framework, we thoroughly enjoyed spending time with the children and staff. The learning environments both inside and out of the classroom were of the highest quality and the children were truly engrossed in their play, facilitated by our brilliant team. It was great to work with our family of schools and to see the brilliant experiences our children are provided with at the start of their school journey.

Many of our families and wider community will be celebrating Ramadan this month, fasting and enjoying time with families past sundown, in the lead up to Eid. We are pleased that this year, as a school community, we will once again be joining in the celebrations by holding events for the children in school around Eid. Please see the additional information shared via letter today with you all.

As we get to enjoy further freedoms as the Nation recovers from the pandemic, as a school and trust we have agreed our own road map. From May 17th, our children will be able to spend time with their phases as we extend the size of our bubbles. Whilst this will have no change to the routines at the beginning and end of the day, it will only support the children's social development in the coming weeks. As ever, thank you all for your continued support.

Mr Gray
Headteacher

SPOTLIGHT ON LEARNING

Another busy couple of weeks at Laurance Haines. We were delighted to see the whole school come together last Friday to run 'England does the Daily Mile' and what an effort it was! Children from Nursery to Year 6 all ran contributing to half a million children that also ran a mile across the country. It was great to be so active and use our bodies to improve our mental health. There has, of course, been so much more going on to...

In Nursery, the children have been enjoying their outdoor spaces. The adults in Early Year have enhanced the outdoor space for the children and it looks incredible. The children are certainly taking advantage of it – do take a look at twitter for some great photos. In Reception the children have been focusing on their maths and phonics skills by finding ways to get to 100 and being creative in phonics by playing Phonics Frog Hop.

The children in Year 1 have been improving their writing skills by writing instructions on how to be a zookeeper.

In Year 2, the children have been creating their own rainbows during science and enjoying the outdoors and planting beautiful plants.

In the Year 3, Now Press Play – our Virtual experience centre, was used to explore forces in science.

In Year 4 the children have been investigating the viscosity of different liquids so they can make good judgements about what liquids will make good potions!

The children in Year 5 have had a real workout when they took part in a gumboot dance – do check Twitter to see their dancing feet.

It's all about Mexico in Year 6 where the children and teachers have enjoyed a Mexican feast and listening to traditional Mexican music!

Mrs Ball
Assistant Headteacher

SCHOOL OFFICE

The school office is closed to all parents/visitors unless by appointment only. For any enquiries, please telephone 01923 233146 or email the school office:

admin@lhaines.herts.sch.uk

MEDICINES AT SCHOOL

We would like to remind all parents/carers to ensure the school has been made aware of any allergies your child(ren) may have. In particular, those have require an Epi-Pen.

Please email admin@lhaines.herts.sch.uk to advise on your child's needs so we can ensure we provide the best care possible.

Medicines in School

SAFETY AT SCHOOL

We would like to politely remind parents/carers that safety at our school is a high priority. Due to this we several safeguarding practices in place.

Recently parents/carers are leaving school gates open or propping the open at drop off for nursery during the day. We appreciate that this may be done to help others dropping off, however this doesn't provide the safety we require for our children.

Please can we request that gates are shut when entering outside of the normal start and end of school, including should you need to come in for a meeting/drop off anything for your child.

Thank you for understanding.

DATES FOR THE DIARY



Lower KS2 Disco - 21st May

EYFS Disco - 28th May

Half Term - 31st May to 4th June

Upper KS2 Disco - 18th June

Wellbeing Weekend - School Closed - 25th June - 28th June

Last day of Term - 21st July

Back to School - 2nd September

SCHOOL DISCOS

We are delighted to confirm that the Parents Association of Laurance Haines have organised bubble safe discos for the summer term.

Friday 21st May
Year 3 - 3.30-4.30pm
Year 4 - 5-6pm

Friday 28th May
EYFS - 3.30-4.30pm

Friday 18th June
Year 5 - 4.30-5.30pm
Year 6 - 6-7pm



Further details will follow.



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