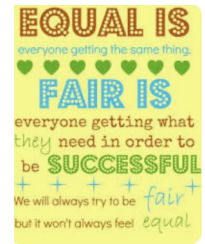
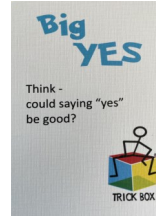


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THE SQUIRREL

Issue 25 Thursday 9th March 2023



I have lots of lovely celebrations to begin this week's newsletter. I am going to begin with our Arts Mark Award. I am so, so pleased that we have been awarded Gold Arts Mark in recognition of our commitment and development of the arts across the school. The Art Team worked hard on the application with the support of the staff. The application was started around the time that Covid hit so this delayed the process quite a lot, but even through Covid we continued to develop our art skills and knowledge. I still love looking through the lovely recreations of artwork we all did. I love them. They were imaginative and clever. Well done everyone, a fabulous recognition of our learning and art curriculum. A special thanks to Miss Jones, Miss Skinner and Mrs Lewis who collaborated on the application and collection of evidence.

My second celebration is for all the children who attended the Speech and Drama Festival in Ryde this week. I was lucky enough to attend with the children who were just superb; they behaved beautifully and showed Lanesend off confidently. They supported each other and other children but most of all they all performed marvellously with bravery and determination to do their very best. I was so, so proud. Thank you Miss Hopkinson for supporting and organising the event. There are so many more classes we could enter and this can be explored next year.

Talking of next year, our whole school focus is going to be on 'Fairy Tales' to support our visit to Shrek The Musical at The Mayflower. Our classes will be named after popular fairy tales and throughout the year we will plan days and events to fully explore fairy tales including a 'Fairy Tale Ball' and Vocabulary Dress Up Day on words associated with fairy tales. It will also explore the different themes running through fairy tales, looking at gender stereotyping and discussing the controversy around fairy tales being amended due to the messages they provide and whether they reflect modern living? So much to think about and explore! But before next year we have so much to plan for the end of this year.

We have sent out information regarding Red Nose Day which is Friday 17th March. This year, Comic Relief are working in partnership with Mr Men and Little Miss so we thought it would be lovely, (and just a bit of fun), to come dressed in clothes from home representing a characteristic that most represents each child. For example, if you are really sporty and think only of sport then Little Miss Sporty might be yours and you will come dressed in sports clothes with a sign too. It might be Mr Maths and you have numbers all over; I am sure you get the idea. Throughout the day, the children will write their own Mr Men/Little Miss or something else book! We will also be holding a cake sale at the end of the day and would love donations of cakes on Friday morning. Bring your pennies to buy some yummy cakes after school!

It is also Mother's Day in school that day too and we would like to invite our lovely Mums, or special ladies in the children's life into school. Class teachers will be in touch with times. It is a long time since we have had Mother's Day in school so it will be just lovely!

Please remember that next week is our Pupil Progress Meetings. The reports are ready to be shared and they are lovely so please, please do share them with the children, read them aloud to your child, you will see why! When you come along to meet your child's teacher do bring your child too. It is all about them so they should be there to hear all about their great learning and success in school. Teachers will accommodate different times and different ways; in person, virtually or by telephone, we could even video the review too so hopefully we have enough options for everyone to attend. They are just so lovely and the team really enjoy them too.

With Pupil Progress Meetings running it means there are no teacher run clubs on next week but external run clubs such as skateboarding, ballet, forest school and boys football will run as normal.

I have loved seeing all the lovely Dojo posts, it really does show what wonderful learning, love and care happens every day here at Lanesend. There really is no place like it!

We are busy planning our Easter activities in school and would love donations of small, chocolate eggs ready for our Easter Egg Hunt which we will be holding on Thursday 30th March in school. The children always really enjoy this event and it is always such a fun activity on the last week before we break up for the Easter holidays.

Just some reminders regarding uniform, please remember black bottoms including shoes and a Lanesend slip is our preferred option at all times. They just look so lovely and different. It makes us stand out.

Monies: please remember schools lunches must be paid for at the time of ordering. It is important to ensure accounts are kept up to date and not go into debt. This helps with our budget too!

Parking: The Somerton Park and Ride is great if you need to drive but if you can walk that is even better and the health benefits are incredible!

Please remember our team endeavour to do our best every day. We really appreciate kindness and support from our families, it makes our days even lovelier.

It was a shame the snow did not come, I was so hoping to play with the children in the snow! There is still time! Have a lovely weekend.

Caroline Sice, Headteacher



FOR YOU

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Whole School Attendance:

94.8%

Watersports Meeting Year 5—Monday 20th March at 5pm in school. UKSA will attending and showing a presentation as well. All Year 5 families and children welcome.

Easter Egg donations! We would love any donations of small, chocolate eggs for our Easter Egg Hunt on Thursday 30th March! Please bring this into the office or give to your child's teacher. Thank you so much in advance.



This week's debate...



Could you do more to protect your local area?

Angyalosi Beata

Lanesend Conversation Starters...

Use these prompts with your children at home to start a conversation about their week in school...

Reception— Talk to me about... Tally Chart recording in Maths, E-safety when using iPads, beebots, how we are all unique, phonics sounds ur, ow, oi, ear, and common exception words, my, by and all.

Words to use... recording, data collection, safe, unique, different, friends.

Tips for the week... Every week we will be sending home a Little Wandle sheet that has all the sounds the children have been learning.

We have been reading... Along Came A Different.

Year 1— Talk to me about....measuring in maths. Ask me how we have measured length and height.

Words to use... taller, shorter, longer.

Tips for the week...we've been looking at internet safety in computing. Ask me what we have been learning about.

We have been reading.....Where the Wild Things Are.

Year 3 – TALK TO ME ABOUT... being smart online

WORDS TO USE... safe, mindful, accept, reliable, tell

TIPS FOR THE WEEK... using personification really enhances your descriptions

WE ARE READING... Charlotte's Web, by EB White

Year 4—Talk to me about: Current news stories online, TV and radio. Pay attention to the language used.

Tip of the Week: Remember the denominator (the bottom number in a fraction) tells you have many parts make a whole.

We have been reading: The Legend of Podkin One Ear

Year 5—Talk to me about... how to create a stop motion animation on an ipad.

Words to use... preposition, synonym/antonym, fronted adverbial, determiner. These are the grammar areas we have looked at this week in Literacy.

Tips for the week... To convert a fraction with tenths, hundredths or thousandths into a decimal, use a place value grid.

We have been reading... 'Secrets of A Sun King' by Emma Carroll.

Year 6— Ask me about which changes are reversible and irreversible.

Ask me how I can use personification and similes to make my writing exciting and which techniques writers use to engage their readers.

We have been becoming experts in finding fractions of amounts and percentages, talk to me about where I might hear percentages in real life.





These lists always fascinate me, I love most of these things but I don't think I've ever eaten an artichoke before!

Fruits and vegetables in season in March



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QUICK-GUIDE FOR PARENTS

TikTok

What is TikTok?

TikTok is an app that allows people to view, create and share short videos with friends, family, or the entire world. Although used by lots of adults of all ages, the app is especially popular with teens and young adults, who enjoy using its tools to combine video, popular songs, and graphics into fun sketches, creative shorts and viral videos.

Is TikTok safe for kids?

As with any social media app, a positive experience on TikTok ultimately depends on how it is used. TikTok has built-in safety and privacy features that vary based on the user's age. For example, kids under 13 access a different app experience called TikTok for Younger Users, which offers a curated feed of age-appropriate content. Teens 13-15 have private accounts by default and can't live stream or send direct messages.

Are TikTok accounts public or private?

For people under 16, TikTok accounts are automatically set to private. For people over 16, TikTok accounts are automatically set to public, but everyone has the option to set their profiles — and any TikToks they create — to private.

What are TikTok challenges?

Activities, dances — really anything that can go viral and inspire others to imitate the idea and spread it further. Participating in challenges can make people feel part of the broader TikTok community — say, by learning the latest dance and sharing their version of it — but people should exercise caution when participating in challenges, especially ones that may require a special skill. Talk to your kids about dangerous viral internet challenges and the peer pressure to participate.

Parents Ask: How Can I Keep My Kids Safe?

Start by talking with your teen about how they use TikTok. Make sure they understand that the videos and comments they post affect their or others' reputations and that they should never post anything that jeopardizes their privacy and security. Make sure your teen knows how to block anyone who bullies, threatens, or harasses them, or if they don't want that person to see their content or comment on their videos.

TikTok offers Family Pairing, which all parents and guardians to pair their TikTok account with their teenager's account to guide their teen's use of the app. Parents can decide whether their child can search for content, users, songs or hashtags, set a screen time (40 to 120 minutes a day), set the account to public or private, limit who can comment on their videos, turn off direct messaging and enable Restricted Mode, which "can limit content that may not be appropriate for some audiences."

More Ways to Stay Safe

Moderation and abuse reporting. To report a comment or video that violates its guidelines. To report a comment, tap the three dots on the comment and select Report. To report a video, tap the three dots on the video and select Report. To report a profile, tapping on the three dots and select Report.

Passwords and other personal information. About the importance of keeping passwords private. Friends can become account in mean or inappropriate ways. [ConnectSafely.org/passwords](https://connectsafely.org/passwords)

Time management and life balance. About the importance of keeping balance. Other app, teens (and adults too) need to interact with others in person. No one should get your teen from getting exercise, doing something that keeps us healthy, happy, and productive. Use the time management features in your phone or Android phones.

A note about parental controls. Parents can set up parental controls, but sometimes conversations can account for general advice on parental controls. In talking about them with your kids, visit connectsafely.org/parental-controls

About ConnectSafely

ConnectSafely is a Silicon Valley organization dedicated to educating users on digital security. We publish research-based news and commentary on all digital safety topics.

More Ways to Stay Safe

Moderation and abuse reporting. To enforce its [Community Guidelines](#), TikTok uses a combination of policies and human- and machine-based moderation practices to handle content that may violate its guidelines. To report a comment: Press and hold on the comment and select Report. To report an inappropriate video, tap the Share arrow and choose Report. Report a profile by going to the profile, tapping on the three dots and selecting Report.

Passwords and other personal information. Talk with your kids about the importance of keeping passwords and other personal information private. Friends can become ex-friends and use their account in mean or inappropriate ways. You'll find password tips at [ConnectSafely.org/passwords](https://connectsafely.org/passwords).

Time management and life balance. Whether it's TikTok or any other app, teens (and adults too) need to put down their phones and interact with others in person. No app should ever keep you or your teen from getting exercise, doing chores, work or anything else that keeps us healthy, happy, and productive. If you need a nudge, use the time management features in the TikTok app or Apple and Android phones.

A note about parental controls. Parental controls have their place, but sometimes conversations can accomplish even more. For general advice on parental controls, including suggestions for talking about them with your kids, visit [Connectsafely.org/controls](https://connectsafely.org/controls).



For more info, visit
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Parents can enable
Restricted Mode to
limit the appearance
of content that may
not be appropriate for
all ages.

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SKILL OF THE MONTH



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Mindful March 2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1. If you find yourself rushing, make an effort to slow down.	2. Take three calm breaths at regular intervals during your day.	3. Set an intention to live with awareness and kindness.	4. Notice three things you find beautiful in the outside world.	5. Start today by appreciating your body and that you're alive.	6. Notice how you speak to yourself and choose to use kind words.	7. Bring to mind people you care about and send love to them.
8. Pause to watch the sky or clouds for a few minutes today.	9. Find ways to enjoy any chores or tasks that you do.	10. Eat mindfully. Appreciate the taste, texture and smell of your food.	11. Take a full breath in and out before you reply to others.	12. Get outside and notice how the weather feels on your face.	13. Stay fully present while drinking your cup of tea or coffee.	14. Listen deeply to someone and really hear what they are saying.
15. Focus on what makes you and others happy today.	16. Listen to a piece of music without doing anything else.	17. Stop. Breathe. Notice. Repeat regularly.	18. Get really absorbed with an interesting or creative activity.	19. Look around and spot three things you find unusual or pleasant.	20. Have a 'no plans' day and notice how that feels.	21. Cultivate a feeling of loving-kindness towards others today.
22. Appreciate nature around you, wherever you are.	23. Notice when you're tired and take a break as soon as possible.	24. Notice something that is going well, even if today feels difficult.	25. Tune into your feelings, without judging or trying to change them.	26. Appreciate your hands and all the things they enable you to do.	27. Focus your attention on the good things you take for granted.	28. Choose to spend less time looking at screens today.
29. Choose a different route today and see what you notice.	30. Mentally scan your body and notice what it is feeling.	31. Discover the joy in the simple things of life.				

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