

Dear Parents/Carers,

Lots of our Muslim families will be celebrating Eid ul-Fitr. To mark this, we will be having an Eid celebration day in school on Thursday 5th May. The children will be learning all about the festival of Eid ul-Fitr, as well as other related activities.

If you are able to help with things such as making food, please let your child's teacher know. Due to Natasha's law all the ingredients in food sent in from home will need to be clearly listed, (whether shop bought or homemade), this includes seasoning etc. The food must not contain nuts as we do have nut allergies in school. This will mean that we can share the food with children safely and can accommodate staff and children who have food allergies.



Please bring the food to school in the morning of 5th May.

As part of the celebration the teachers will draw mehndi patterns using henna onto the children's hands. Children will only be able to have henna on their hands if you fill in the permission slip on the letter that was sent out to all children last week. If you have lost the letter, please call into the office for a new one. The children will be patch tested for henna on Wednesday 4th May, children will not be allowed henna unless they have permission and are in on Wednesday for the patch test.

In order for the day to be a wonderful celebration, children can come to school in their own clothes for the day.

Class photographs have been rescheduled because Thursday is a non-uniform day.

If you use breakfast club and arrive early, please do not block the gates to school as this is really dangerous and could cause an accident on Councillor Lane. The gates open automatically at 7.45 each day.

I received a report from the safeguarding team for Stockport of a suspicious man in the Hazel Grove area of Stockport, I know this is quite far from us in Cheadle, but I thought that I would take this opportunity to give you the advice for protecting children from the Stockport Safeguarding team with some useful links.

Protecting younger children

Statistics show that crime against young children by strangers is rare. Even so, there are steps you can take to help to protect your child:

- tell your child to avoid talking to people they don't know, unless a you are with them to say it is ok.
- make sure your child knows never to walk away with people they don't know/know well
- plan safe routes with your child- busy and well-lit spaces are best
- make sure your child understands that they should always tell you if a someone they don't know approaches them, and never to keep this secret
- if your child is travelling alone, tell them to sit near other families on the train or bus and near the driver if possible
- if your child gets lost, they should ask for help from a police officer, another grown-up with children or someone working at a nearby shop
- have your children learn their address and an appropriate telephone number by heart

Keeping teenagers safe

Here are some things that teenagers can do to keep safe when out and about:

- stay alert, and keep personal media devices turned off, so they can hear what's going on around them- earphones can be distracting and limit awareness of surroundings
- stick to busy, well-lit roads, and avoid short cuts
- if your child thinks someone is following them, they should cross the road or go to a place with lots of people around, like a bus stop or shop
- when travelling by bus, your child should try to use bus stops on busy roads, sit near to others and near the driver when possible
- if someone tries to take something from your child, tell them never to fight
- tell them to keep mobile phones and other valuables out of sight
- if your child has to use a lift – tell them to try to use them with friends, and not to feel worried about getting out if they are uncomfortable about someone else being in there
- encourage your child to speak up if they are being bullied or feel they might be in danger

Check list for young people

- Think - before you go out
- Where are you going?
- How are you getting there?
- Who are you going with?
- Who needs to know?
- Take only the money you need and keep it in a safe place.

- How are you getting home?
- Is your mobile charged and have you got credit?
- Keep your mobile handy but out of sight
- Keep valuables such as devices, jewellery and items of expensive clothing out of sight
- Who will you contact in an emergency?

The NSPCC have produced this guide to help parents decide if their child is ready to travel alone/ stay home alone - <https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/research-resources/leaflets/home-or-out-alone-guide> .

Best wishes

Mrs Hill

Diary Dates

- Thursday 5th May – Eid Celebration in school
- **Rescheduled** – Class photographs
- Monday 9th May – SATS week year 6
- Wednesday 25th May – Year 1 and 2 trip to the farm
- Thursday 26th May – Queen Elizabeth 2nd Platinum Jubilee Celebration
- Friday 27th May – break up for half term
- Monday 13th June – Children return to school
- Wednesday 20th July – EYFS trip to the farm
- Wednesday 20th July – Upper Key Stage 2 Residential trip.
- Wednesday 27th July – Break up for summer holidays

This Week our Class Captains are:

Mrs Woodworth/Mrs Kendry – Pietro, for making a concerted effort in his learning this week. Well done!

Miss Nugent – Layla, for lovely work in music this week.

Mrs Burke – Ahalam, for another great week of showing our core values in the class room by working hard and showing respect to others.

Mr Fenwick – Isabella, for leading by example and helping with our fundraising for Ukrainian refugees.

Mrs Davies – Leighton, for making sensible and mature decisions.

Mrs Parker – Innaya for contributing more in class and always trying her best.

This week's Headteacher's Awards were given to Finley for aiming high in all subjects and Yasmin for improved confidence in maths.

This week's star table winners are Alex and Ryan for beautiful behaviour and having lovely smiles.

School Uniform

There will be termly rewards for children who consistently wear the correct school uniform from September. Children must not wear sportswear of any kind. May I also remind parents that children should be wearing black school shoes. Trainers can be worn during playtime and lunchtime, but these must come to school in a separate bag and be stored in lockers.

The class with the best attendance last week was Mrs Davies' class who are thrilled to win again this week, they had 96.9%, well done Mrs Davies' class.

Children will be entered into a termly prize raffle for being on-time for school every day and for 97% - 100% attendance each week. Please ensure that children arrive at school before the bell goes at 8.55 each day.

Good attendance is vitally important for all children in order for them to make good progress. Please ensure that your child is in school on time every day.

PE Kits

PE kits are provided by school for all children from year 1 to 6, parents only need to provide pumps or trainers. PE kits will be washed regularly (as needed) by school in non-biological liquid. If you do not wish to use a school PE kit please let your class teacher know and provide a PE kit for your child.

Year 5 will have swimming on Monday each week, all other classes from year 1 to 6 will have two lessons each week where PE kits are used.

The school website address is www.ladybridge.stockport.sch.uk

The school twitter address is @LadybridgePS

The school phone number is 0161 428 5445

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