



Issue 180 – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

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As part of our 'recovery curriculum' we have been fortunate to have a very experienced teacher of English Country Dancing accompanied by a musician playing the accordion in school this week. It has been marvellous to see the children enjoying coming together to learn the dances of 'merry old England' outside in the sunshine! The joy and concentration on the children's faces as they have learnt each of these historical dances has been amazing to see. Our youngest children enjoyed seeing the pattern that the Maypole dance ribbons created. Behind each dance there is specific vocabulary and a story and the children have been very interested in hearing too. Over the rest of the term we hope the children will practise and refine their performances with a view to them showcasing for you to see at some point. Many thanks to Ms. Pritchard our sports leader for arranging this.

We are managing active cases of Covid within our community – and there have been about half a dozen of these since the start of term. It is therefore vital that the protocols we have set out are followed. We are finding that lots of families are arriving at school earlier or right at the start of the trickle in at 8.40am – to help, ideally families should stagger their arrival over the fifteen minutes between 8.40am and 8.55am. We want to avoid time off school being unwell with Covid for both pupils and staff so we need everyone in our school community to continue to be vigilant - the aim is to reduce community transmission. In that way we will have enough staff present to stay open and every child will have an uninterrupted education. So, please:

- avoid congregating in large groups inside or outside the gates or around classroom doors / gates only one adult per child to enter on arrival / departure
- please wait well back from classroom doors or blue gates and avoid crowding
- if using Mansfield Road gate; comply with the one way system - at the main arrival & departure times only, the vehicle gate is 'in'; pedestrian gate is 'out'
- please drop your child off / collect your child and leave the school site swiftly
- should you need to visit the school office foyer, because of the confined area, please wear a mask
- if your child is unwell with symptoms like fever, headache, cough, sore throat they should not be in school and you should arrange a PCR test
- remember that 40-70% of children have no symptoms so the twice weekly rapid flow test are so vital

We are hoping to get out details next week of our Welcome Back to School / Meet the teacher information for each class / year group – these will be issued on Google classroom and then there will be drop-ins for each class of parents the following week so that you can see your child's classroom and meet the teacher in person if you haven't done so already!

As we were unable to do so at the end of term because of Covid, this Saturday the year 6 team of teachers will be welcoming our Y6 leavers of 2021 back for a short time for a barbecue and to say a proper goodbye altogether – fingers crossed the weather stays fine!

Have a lovely weekend – best wishes,

Rob Meakin  
Headteacher







## Spotlight on Learning

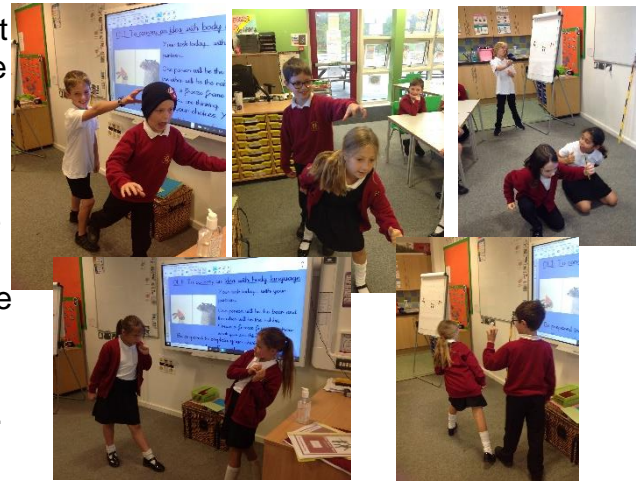
Nursery have been welcoming all our new children and families. We have been exploring the environment, taking part in activities both inside and outside in the garden. The children have been learning the new routines and getting to know their new friends through games and snack time. We are really pleased with how well all the children are settling in.

**Nursery**

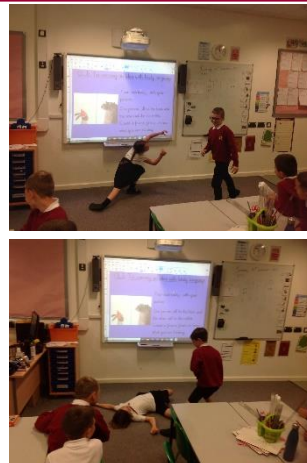


### 4 Hornbeam

4 Hornbeam have been looking at the book 'I want my hat back'. We have been using the images in the book to create freeze frames to think about how the characters are feeling. We shared the freeze frames with the class who played a guessing game of emotions. We have loved reading the book so much that some of us are currently writing our own sequels.



What a great start to the year! 4 Maple have been reading 'I want my hat back' by Jon Klassen in Guided Reading. We have been thinking about how the author uses clues in the text and illustrations to give us information about the characters. Here we are imagining what will happen when the bear finds who took his hat!



We have also been learning about place value in maths using physical resources such as counters to help us.



### 4 Maple





Not got COVID-19 symptoms?



Take a **rapid lateral flow test.**



It is with great pride that we can announce we have been awarded the Gold Healthy Schools Award. Healthy Schools London is an award programme that works to reach out to every London child to improve their health and well being. 2217 schools are registered with the programme and we are one of the 341 schools in London who have now earned the Gold award. We have worked our way through the Bronze and Silver award and our continual commitment to improve our children's health and wellbeing has been a big priority for us. One of our huge successes has been the Daily Mile, which is fully embedded in school life at Lovellace. Well done to the children and all involved in getting smarter, healthier & happier!

Here is the [link](#) to the current issue of [Families upon Thames Magazine Sep/Oct 2021](#) for your school to share with parents.

**Local family events and activities** are finally back! Our **What's On Guide** and **Activities and Days Out** have loads of options for families wanting to get out and about in September and October.

**Year 6 Children moving to Secondary School**  
School uniform is expensive. Why not start saving now? if you start saving £3.50 a week from now you will have £157.50 to put towards that all important kit.

**Please ensure you complete a Green Absence Form prior to attending an event**

**Surbiton High School**

**Open Mornings** in the Autumn Term will be restricted to pupils looking to join for Year 7 2022 entry and will take place on the following dates:  
Tuesday 21 September 2021 – 9.15am **FULLY BOOKED**  
Tuesday 21 September 2021 – 2.00pm  
Thursday 23 September 2021 – 9.15am – **FULLY BOOKED**  
Thursday 23 September 2021 – 2.00pm

**Chessington School**

Open Evening will be on the evening of Thursday 23rd of September from 6.15pm until 9.00pm. Head's talks and events will be distributed appropriately and repeated to ensure safety and participation for all. The link to book for the Headteacher's talk is:  
<https://forms.gle/sZ5yAqPyYkvgpgi7>

**Southborough High School**

**Open Evening** will take place on Wednesday 29th September. Book your place here..! <https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSe407OY6stCb-Qx7k.../viewform>

**Epsom & Ewell High School**

**Open Evening** on Thursday 14th October 6pm - 9pm. Take a tour of our brand new state of the art sports facilities. The Headteacher, James Newman, will speak in the main hall at 6pm and 7pm.  
**Morning Tours** are also available Monday 18th October to Thursday 21st October daily, at 9.15am. To book on a morning tour please call the main reception on 020 8974 0400.

**Tolworth Girls**

**Open Morning Tours**  
Monday 4 October until Friday 15 October (excluding Wednesday 6 October)  
Tours scheduled to take place at: 8.45am, 9.45am and 11.15am. Please contact the school to book a tour on 0208 397 3854  
**Open Evening**  
Wednesday 6 October from 6 to 8.30pm  
Speeches will take place at 6.10, 6.45 and 7.20pm  
Booking is not required for this event  
Tours of the school will be available throughout the evening



# valediction



Noun

*the action of saying farewell.  
"he lifted his hand and spread his palm in valediction"*

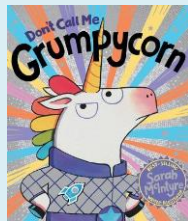


## Don't Call Me Grumpycorn

By Sarah McIntyre

"This book made me laugh."  
"The pictures are really brilliant."  
"The story is all about being kind to each other and about space."

Suitable 3+



## Congratulations to our newly appointed House Captains

**Neptune: Zac and Isla**

**Jupiter: Maisie and Evie**

**Venus: Alfie and Tyler**

**Mars: Amelia and Zollie**



Learning Together Succeeding Forever



## Congratulations to our newly appointed Junior Travel Ambassadors

Niamh and Katerina



## Certificates of Achievement

Well done to the following children for receiving a certificate of achievement in assembly today:

Emily (Elm), Oliver (Beech), Kaden (Rowan), Jade (Cherry), Mia (Lime), Holly (Hazel), Hiba (Poplar), Nyah (Aspen), Amelia (Elder), Harry (Maple), Marie (Hornbeam), Archie (Spruce), Abigail (Pine), Heera (Hawthorn), Scarlett (Cedar), Wassim (Sycamore) and Amelia (Juniper)

## THIS SATURDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER



Sign up for FREE taster sessions with

**Kingston Music**

**Free Trial Class**

This is our Saturday offer:

9.30 - 10.15 (45mins) Ukulele club - no experience of playing required; bring your own ukulele or hire one from KMS

10.30 - 11.30 (1 hour) Kingston Youth Choir South - everything from pop and rock to classical and world music. Everyone welcome.

11.45 - 12.30 (45 mins) Hook Music Project - a multi percussion group - again, no experience necessary and all instruments provided during the session.

Register your interest for Music Club [here](#). and Youth Choir [here](#).





## Administration Charges

Please may we make you aware that any formal letters or forms that are required to be completed by the school will incur an administration fee of £1 . This fee is payable prior to completion. Thank you

### September 2021

Mon 6	<b>Term 1 Begins</b> – Children Y1 – Y6 Return to School
Mon 13	Swimming Lessons start Y1 and Y2
Tue 14	English Country Dancing Week
Thu 16	YR First Full Day

### October 2021

<b>Fri 1</b>	Start of Black History Month
<b>Sun 3</b>	London Marathon 2021
<b>Tue 5</b>	UNESCO World Teachers Day
<b>Mon 11</b>	UN World Mental Health Day (10/10)
<b>Tue 12</b>	Ada Lovelace Day
<b>Tue 19</b>	Nasal Flu Vaccination YR-Y6
<b>Wed 20</b>	Year 2 Walk to Hook Parade

Open  
Morning  
and  
Evenings



• Open Mornings will start from next week (week beginning 13th of September) and will run for two weeks after our Open Evening. These will be at 11am on Wednesday and Thursdays and are bookable in advance.

To book please click on the link below :  
<https://forms.gle/DDusb9a5sEzhtxqS7>

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Please be assured that precautions and adaptations will be made as appropriate and in line with current guidance.

## School Term Dates - 2021/2022

### Autumn 2021:

**Term 1** Monday 6 September to Thursday 21 October

October Half Term Holiday Friday 22 October to Friday 29 October

**Term 2** Tuesday 2 November to Friday 17 December\*

Christmas Holiday Monday 20 December to Tuesday 4 January

### Spring 2022:

**Term 3** Wednesday 5 January to Friday 11 February

February Half Term Holiday Monday 14 February to Friday 18 February

**Term 4** Monday 21 February to Friday 1 April\*

Easter Holiday Monday 4 April to Friday 15 April

*(Good Friday and Easter Monday fall on Friday 15 April and Monday 18 April 2022)*

### Summer 2022:

**Term 5** Tuesday 19 April to Friday 27 May

*May Bank holiday falls on Monday 2 May 2022 – school closed on this day*

May Half Term Holiday Monday 30 May to Friday 3 June

**Term 6** Monday 6 June to Friday 22 July\*

*\*The school day finishes at 1:20pm for KS1 & 1:30pm for KS2 on these final days of term*

Additional Holiday for the Queen Platinum Jubilee - School Closed  
Friday 22 October 2021

Staff INSET (Training Days) - School Closed:  
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 - disaggregated INSET day  
Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021  
Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021  
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022




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## Lovelace Primary & Nursery School

### Co-opted Governor

(Volunteer Role)

**Start date ASAP**

Lovelace is seeking to appoint a co-opted governor with experience in business, finance and resources who can help us to continue to improve and develop the educational opportunities and achievement of our pupils.

**We are looking for an individual with one or more of the following attributes:**

- An uncompromising enthusiasm for the best academic achievement, progress and pastoral outcomes for children.
- A highly effective communicator and team member able to enthuse and influence others.
- An ability to analyse performance data to assess the achievement outcomes of children.
- A willingness to share information and best practice from other areas.
- The ability to use your planning skills to bridge the gap between strategy and implementation.
- The ability to work within and an understanding of required government guidelines.
- The role would particularly suit someone with experience of working with children with special educational needs either in a professional or carer capacity.

**We can offer you:**

- A supportive and motivated governing body & leadership team
- An experienced, collaborative and welcoming staff team
- Training opportunities to enhance your own professional development & career progression as a volunteer
- A creative school environment, with our Dolly Lee Eco-lodge, Forest School, a swimming pool, and specialist teaching areas for cookery, art & music

If you would like an application form, or would like further information please contact

**Jo Hemmings** via email on [clerk@lovelace.rbksch.org](mailto:clerk@lovelace.rbksch.org)

More information about becoming a governor can be found here:

[https://www.kingston.gov.uk/info/200354/governing\\_our\\_schools/215/school\\_governors](https://www.kingston.gov.uk/info/200354/governing_our_schools/215/school_governors)

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expect all staff to share this commitment.

<https://youtu.be/UkazuzRq8r8>



# PFA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

**TUES, 5TH OCT AT 19:45**  
**LOVELACE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Please come along and join us for a slice of pizza and a chat about plans to raise money for our kids at Lovelace, such as the Christmas Fayre.



Do let us know ahead of the meeting if you would like to join the committee.

Either by email

[lovelacepfa@mail.com](mailto:lovelacepfa@mail.com)

or contact Steph Archer

**07916173351**

New members are very welcome!



# 5P CHALLENGE

It's time to raid those money boxes again! The challenge will run from **MONDAY 4th to FRIDAY 22nd OCTOBER.**

**Winning class gets a prize and all money raised goes to Class Fun Fund!**



**YOUR  
SCHOOL  
LOTTERY**

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