



NEWSLETTER

DATE 29th January 2021

UP COMING DATES

1st February - 7th February - Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 9th February - Safer Internet Day

Friday 12th February - Break up for February half term

Monday 22nd February - Return to school

Thursday 4th March - World Book Day

Friday 23rd July – is now NOT an INSET day. Children to attend school as normal

Monday 26th July - is still an INSET day

2021

What a start to the new year, Lofthouse Family!

We wanted to start by saying such a huge thank you and well done to everybody. We want to give a shout out to everybody supporting and providing home learning, to children working from home with such enthusiasm, to our key worker families and to all our pupils and staff working within the academy with such positivity. We think you are all amazing! As always, we welcome any positive or constructive feedback. We have been overwhelmed by the support you have all shown us and it is really appreciated by all our staff.



Welcome OPA Woodlands

On 1st February, Outwood Primary Academy Woodlands will be joining our Trust. Please see our video that we will be sending to welcome them to the Outwood Family!

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1_eV-or9HEEs5Q32xqaduOqwq15_wo3hgM/view?usp=sharing



Out of School Celebrations

I felt extremely proud putting the video together. Please see the link to our celebration of children's achievements, personal successes, acts of kindness and charity work. Thank you to everybody who shared something for the rest of the Lofthouse Family to see! We look forward to doing this again in Summer 1.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/18KPceRvvlmdz1lRTja13JlSpwspXlRd/vi ew?usp=sharing>

Show us Your Friday...

Thank you to everybody who has joined in on Twitter and shared a photo – we just love to see them! Next Friday's (7th February) links to the theme of the Children's Mental Health week - 'Express Yourself'. We look forward to seeing your tweets every week ☺ We have a few more on the list to get through, but we welcome any ideas. Please just send an email to: remotelearning@lofthousegate.outwood.com



Mental Health and Wellbeing

Our Mental Health and Wellbeing champions have shared a virtual assembly today to discuss Children's Mental Health week and share some tips and techniques of how to promote positive mental health and wellbeing.

Billy, from SSP, has also produced tailored videos for Nursery/EYFS, KS1, LKS2 and UKS2 to be shared next week. Please see below a range of resources available to support yourselves, family members and your child/children:

<https://actionforhappiness.org/friendly-february>

https://www.elsa-support.co.uk/wellbeing-week-daily-resources/?fbclid=IwAR0pVDUcb1dfvT36Fwhdal-jl6RBGoYjLzg42OOPIE_HgVfr6I0DPJ34kYA

<https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/more-money-in-my-pocket/help-at-the-hub>

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/schools-and-youth-groups/>

<https://www.annafreud.org/parents-and-carers/>

Please follow the purple tabs below on our new website if you require external services or support:

<https://www.lofthousegate.outwood.com/mental-wellbeing>

Mental Wellbeing Strategy

Outwood Mental Wellbeing Website

Questions and Queries

Children's safety and happiness is our ultimate goal. If you have any questions or queries, please contact school via the admin email address

enquiries@lofthousegate.outwood.com

or by phone (01924 821160) and leave a message with your name, number and child's name.

If you have any specific queries linked to the Google Classroom/online learning or home learning packs, please email remotelearning@lofthousegate.outwood.com and Miss Cleasby will respond ASAP.