



NEWSLETTER

DATE 23rd February 2021

UP COMING DATES

Thursday 4th March - World Book Day

Monday 8th March - 13th March - British Science Week

Friday 19th March - Red Nose Day (children and staff are welcome to wear a Comic Relief accessory!)

Friday 26th March - Break up for Easter holidays

Monday 12th April - Return to school

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

Monday 26th July - is still an INSET day

2021

Can you believe it's the end of February? What a couple of months we've had Lofthouse Family, but we are doing it and we're doing it together! We hope you all had an enjoyable and relaxing February half term ☺ We are so proud of ALL our children, families and staff for showing such resilience and positivity through the current situation.

Please keep sharing on Twitter and Google classrooms – we really do love to see it! ☺

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.

We are so proud of you

Safer Internet Day

Thank you to Miss Hand, who is our computing lead, and our Digital Leaders for sharing their top tips for staying safe online, being internet safe, being internet secure, being internet kind and finally being internet smart.



Please see the following website for more information to support your child online:

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2021>

World Book Day: Thursday 4th March

We are looking forward to celebrating a love of reading (as always!) for those both at home and in school. Please refer to the previous letter sent with further details of our plans. These will include book themed activities, challenges, videos with authors and a competition to enter! Everybody is invited to dress as a book character on the 4th March, or you're welcome to share a prop or your favourite book. Our Reading Ambassadors have launched a competition, you can either 'Bake a Book' or create a 'Book in a Box'. Please take a photo of your entry and send to: competitions@lofthousegate.outwood.com by Monday 1st March. Winners will be announced on World Book Day!



Mental Health and Wellbeing

Our Mental Health and Wellbeing champions, Miss Cleasby and Billy from SSP continue to share tips and techniques of how to promote positive mental health and wellbeing. These are showcased on Google Classrooms and on Twitter, so please keep an eye out! 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



New Staff

We would like to give a warm Lofthouse welcome to our teaching assistants Mrs Rawson (on the left) and Mrs Dorgan (on the right)! They are two new great additions to our team and you will see them both in the academy or virtually!

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 remotelarning@lofthousegate.outwood.com and Miss Cleasby will respond ASAP.