



# NEWSLETTER

DATE 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021

## UP COMING DATES

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May** - School is CLOSED for bank holiday

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May** - Break up for half term

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June** - INSET DAY

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June** - Return to school

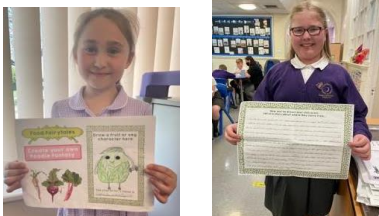
**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** - is now NOT an INSET day. Children to attend school as normal

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** - Break up for the summer holidays

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July** - is still an INSET day

## School Parliament

Thank you to everybody who entered our Food Fairytales competition! School Parliament had the tough job of choosing a KS1 and KS2 winner! Well done to Isla and Grace who will be entered into the Trust's competition to be judged by ISS.



In collaboration with Majority Audio, our School Parliament hosted a virtual assembly on Earth Day, the issues of climate change and how we can make changes. By making posters, 1000 trees will be planted in our name!

## The Big Ask

An important new survey has been launched by The Children's Commissioner for England – The 'Big Ask'. It's an exciting opportunity to help us think big and it's a chance for every child in England to have their voice heard. Please can we ask that as many children with their parents/carers get involved and complete this survey:

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/the-bigask/>



## OPA Diploma

This half term's diploma focus is to 'Actively Contribute to my Local Community.' Each year group has their own specific focus, but as an extra, Mrs Earnshaw is setting weekly challenges for you to complete at home. **These are tweeted every Monday morning.**

Thank you to everybody who has joined in so far by thanking a local hero, donating items for us to send to local food banks and donating old clothes and toys. It has been wonderful to see us come together in true Lofthouse Family style and support our local community in lots of different ways. Please look out for the remaining four challenges of the half term!

## Mental Health and Wellbeing

Our Mental Health and Wellbeing Champions hosted an assembly on the Power of 'YET'. The realisation is that some things are worth waiting for and those things take work. It's not always easy, but the power of this small word allows for success and a growth mind set. Sesame Street have produced a fantastic song/video to support the Power of 'YET'. Have a listen and dance along!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XLeUvZyuvAs>



As always, we are here to listen and support. Please follow the purple tabs below on our website if you require external services or support:

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

If you are not already, please follow our whole school Twitter (**OPA\_LG**) as we regularly post tips and support in relation to mental health and well being for both children and adults.



## 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](mailto: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](mailto:remotelarning@lofthousegate.outwood.com) and Miss Cleasby will respond ASAP.