



COVID-19 Update

Dear Families,

I hope you all had a relaxing Easter despite being limited due to the current pandemic. I would like to thank you all for your ongoing support during this uncertain time for us all. By staying home, we are all helping to protect the NHS and save lives.

Lockdown Update

You may have seen from Central Government announcements over the last few days that the nation-wide lockdown will continue for at least another 3 weeks. This means that our school will remain closed to the majority of children for this period of time. Any updates regarding school opening status and times as well as key contact numbers and links can be found on our school website under the "About Us" section.

School Re-opening

We are receiving lots of emails regarding when school will be re-opening. Unfortunately, we simply do not know yet. We have been reassured that schools will re-open when science tells Central Government that it is safe to do so. Please be reassured that all schools, including ours, are in regular communication with Warwickshire County Council, who are working on re-opening plans that will be initiated when schools are directed by Central Government to re-open. In the meantime, school staff will set work each Friday for the following week, which will be available on Microsoft Teams, our school app and school website.

Admissions

Reception admissions were sent to parents on Thursday 16th April. We are excited to welcome new pupils and families to our school in September 2020. Further information regarding transition will be posted on our website as soon as possible.

Nursery admissions have been delayed somewhat due to COVID-19. However, we are confident that confirmation of places will be with prospective Nursery parents by the beginning of May. We apologise for the delay, but would like to reassure all families that we are working hard to catch up.

School Facebook Page

We have now launched our Facebook page! Please search for Long Lawford Primary School and give our page a 'like'. It will have events, reminders and announcements on there, and will link to our school website also. Please also see our Twitter page (@llawfordprimary) for updates too!

Free School Meal Vouchers

As you are aware, schools across the nation have been asked to register families in receipt of Free School Meals with Edenred. Unfortunately, as the Edenred system has had a few teething problems, there has been a small delay with us being able to access the system. We hope these problems have now been resolved and our school admin team have been working tirelessly to register families entitled to Free School Meals, which has now been completed. However, we have been informed that there may be a two-week processing delay from Edenred due to the demand across the nation.

If your child is eligible for Free School Meals, please keep an eye on your emails for a voucher code. You will receive one voucher code per family, and will give families access to the equivalent of £15 per week per child. Please be aware that if you have two children, your voucher code will be for £30 instead of £15, and for 3 children it will be £45 instead of £15 etc.

We have applied for all families that are eligible to receive their voucher code by Friday 24th April 2020. Please check your emails, including your junk folders, for a code. If you do not receive a code by 3pm on Friday 24th April, please email admin2405 and our admin team will chase this up with Edenred on your behalf during the following week. Please be mindful that, as mentioned above, there may be a two-week delay time that is beyond school's control. However, there should be continued support from the Warwickshire Welfare Scheme (applications close TODAY so please ensure you have registered).

Family Support

As you know, we continue to provide family support during these unprecedented times. If you require support or advice for working with children at home, routines, behaviour support or anything else, please contact the school between 9am and 3pm daily, or contact Mrs. McSweeney on 07467 330839.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs. Claire Stringer
Headteacher