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Hello Little London families,

We have arrived at the end of a great half term. The children settled in well to their new year groups with their new teachers and are really enjoying receiving their star stamps in planners. We are nearly ready to award our first 500 badges of the year which is over an average of 40 stamps every week. Well done to all pupils.

ATTENDANCE

We continue to see improvements across school. Lastweek was affected by a training day so the % look low!

Please remember that we cannot provide ANY authorised attendance for routine doctors and dentists appointments unfortunately.

The attendance class winners for next week with extra break time go to Rob Burrow class in Key Stage 2 and Dame Jane Goodall class in EY/KS1! Well done!

Year group	Class name Attendance	
Reception	Respectful Rabbits	77%
	Helpful Hedgehogs	73.8%
1	Oliver Jeffers	78%
	Mae Jemison	72.4%
2	Florence Nightingale	77.6%
	Dame Jane Goodall	<mark>78.3%</mark>
3	Gitanjali Rao	74.4%
	Usain Bolt	66.7%
4	Frida Khalo	66.7%
	Rob Burrow	<mark>78.3%</mark>
5	Lucy Bronze	75.6%
	Jonny Wilkinson	76.4%
6	Anne Frank	76.2%
	Chris Packham	77.8%

MAJOR BUILDING WORKS

Lastweek our building work started in Lower School on our specialist resource provision for children with Autism. There is currently NO lower school office so any late children will need to be brought to the Upper School Office and you will need to wait until a member of staffcan take them to the lower building.

HEALTHY PACKED LUNCHES

This half term we will be monitoring packed lunches to make sure all children have healthy options. In the planners there are suggestions for a good packed lunch, with fruit, snacks and a healthy sandwich ideally. We do not allow sweets and chocolate, and would prefer children not to have crisps every day where possible.

UNIFORM THIS HALF TERM

We have made great progress with school uniform but still are seeing brightly coloured head bands, bows and hair decorations. Also please remember that we only allow stud earrings for safety.

PE kits remain a challenge. Please make sure your child does not have lots of patterns or writing on their black clothing. We do not allow branded aportswear except perhaps a very discrete logo. If we are not able to achieve plain black we will need to bring in a PE jumper with LLA branding on it next year.

NEW ACCESS CONTROLS INTO SCHOOL

This is now fully working, you should now be able to press the green bell to speak to the office and access school. If the gates are closed, please press the breen bell to contact the office and they will release the gate for you.

STAFFING UPDATE

This half term we will say a temporary goodbye to Miss Ellerton and Ms Jones who will both take some time out to give birth. Miss Ellerton is with us for another two weeks, and Ms Jones until the end of the term. We wish them both well.

Have a lovely week!

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Year group	Class name	STAR AWARD	ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
	Friendly Foxes		
Reception	Respectful Rabbits		
	Helpful Hedgehogs		
1	Oliver Jeffers	Aro J	Cyrus M
	Mae Jemison	Rawan M	Grayson P
2	Florence Nightingale	Elhana Y	Ghufraan S
	Dame Jane Goodall	Sema R	Dorian G
3	Gitanjali Rao	Nishin T	Mosisa G
	Usain Bolt	Idea A	Chang Jun
4	Rob Burrow	Sophia	Abduallah F
	Frida Khalo	Saam M	Tyler A
5	Jonny Wilkinson	Lelas A	Brooklyn N
	Lucy Bronze	Amy	Rose S
6	Anne Frank	Landing K	Ruth F
	Chris Packham	Netania M	Savannah P