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Friday 21st October, 2021.

Dear Parents and Carers,

A reminder that school will close for half term today, **Thursday 21st October, 2021** and will reopen on **Monday 1st November 2021**.

We hope you all have a lovely half term and of course a happy Halloween. Please keep reading with your child and enjoying stories at home during the half term.

We have had a very busy last week of term at Lee Brigg Infant & Nursery School:

Panther Class Trip to Mining Museum

Panther class visited the National Coal Mining Museum for England today to support their current learning topic. Thank you to those parents and carers who sent in voluntary contributions, which were put towards the cost of the coaches and entry to the mining museum (workshops). Thanks also to our wonderful staff who supported the children during the visit.

Nursery Rhyme Challenge

Our nursery pupils had a spooky nursery rhyme challenge with their grown ups today – thank you to all grown ups for their support, to the children for their amazing Nursery Rhyme skills and to Mrs Hough and Mrs Windsor for the fancy dress supplies!

Waterton Parliament

Damola and Kacper represented Lee Brigg Infant & Nursery School at Waterton Parliament meeting this afternoon. They did a fantastic job. We can't wait to hear about all the wonderful ideas our School Council have to make our school even better.

Parent / Carer Consultations

It was a pleasure to be able to welcome parents and carers into school for face to face meetings with class teachers. Leopards and Panther classes will have further dates for consultations after half term. Please look out for further updates.

Harvest Assembly

A familiar friendly face returned to Lee Brigg on Wednesday for our Harvest assembly. Thank you to Father David for leading our Harvest celebrations. As always, the children (and staff) thoroughly enjoyed the celebration. We look forward to further 'joint' clergy events during the remainder of the academic year.

Public Holiday for The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

As you may be aware, there is to be an additional public holiday on Friday 3rd June 2022, to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. This date falls within the summer half term break and therefore all Waterton academies have been asked to allocate an alternative day in lieu within term time instead.



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After considering the plans of other schools in the area, our academy will remain closed for one extra day on **Tuesday 4th January 2022**.

Whilst we hope that you are able to take advantage of this extra day to spend together as families, we appreciate that many parents and carers may have prior work commitments and so this date has been chosen so as to align with other educational settings within our community and allow ample opportunity for childcare arrangements to be made, where necessary.

Attendance Analysis

We have today sent home your child's attendance for the first half of the autumn term up to and including **Tuesday 19th October 2021**, which gives a detailed breakdown to help you keep track of your child's attendance. The attendance summary is colour coded:

Blue 100%

Well done! The best chance of success. Children get off to a flying start!

Green 95%-99.9%

You are on target or above. You are off to a flying start. The government's good attendance target is 95%

Yellow 90%94.9%

Worrying. Less chance of success because of periods of lost learning. Below 95% is considered below acceptable by the Department for Education (DfE)

Red Below 89.9%

Serious. Education Welfare Officer Involvement. Your child is considered a persistent absentee. You are now liable to prosecution and a fine if attendance does not improve significantly.

Please speak to the school office in the first instance should you wish to discuss your child's attendance in further detail, or should you have any queries.

Lee Brigg Award - Skills for Life Challenge

Our 'Skills for Life' challenges for this half term have been shared with parents and carers, along with a sneak peek of the passports which **Mediastream** have kindly supported school with the design and print process.

Please encourage your child to complete their skill for life and send your evidence in to school (you can use the class e-mail addresses to do this). Those children who complete their challenge will receive a sticker in their skills passport when we return to school after half term.

Christmas Gifts

A reminder that a proof of your child's design and an order form will be sent home during next half term.

Parent Governor

We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor. Please contact the school office in the first instance should you be interested in finding out more information about this role.



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Pupil Asset

Thank you to those parents and carers who have been in touch to advise of issues in receiving the school newsletter by email (Pupil Asset). Each issue advised should hopefully now have been resolved.

Please note should you 'unsubscribe' to our emails you will no longer receive the weekly newsletter by e-mail.

Upcoming Dates

Thursday 21 st October 2021	School Closes - half term
Friday 22 nd October 2021	Inset Day – School Closed to Pupils
Monday 1 st November 2021	School Reopens
Friday 5 th November 2021	Hand Hygiene Session (Year 1 Children)
Tuesday 10 th November 2021	Parent / Carer Consultations – Leopard Class
Monday 15 th November 2021	Diwali Workshop (Whole School)
Friday 19 th November 2021	Children in Need (further details to follow)
Friday 10 th December 2021	Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 17 th December 2021	School Closes – End of Term
Tuesday 4 th January 2022	School Closed - This additional day is in lieu of the extra Bank Holiday for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June 2022.
Wednesday 5 th January 2022	School Reopens
Friday 18 th February 2022	School Closes – half term

The menu next week is as follows:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Summer Vegetable Quesadillas	All Day Breakfast	Roast Turkey with Yorkshire Pudding, Gravy & Roast Potatoes	Margherita Pizza with Potato Wedges	Fish Fingers and Chips with Tomato Ketchup
Tomato Pasta Bake	Macaroni Cheese	Three Bean Casserole	Chickpea and Mixed Vegetable Balti with Rice	Quorn Nuggets with Chips
Ham or cheese sandwich	Ham or cheese sandwich	Ham or cheese sandwich	Ham or cheese sandwich	Ham or cheese sandwich
A selection of filled jacket potatoes	A selection of filled jacket potatoes	A selection of filled jacket potatoes	A selection of filled jacket potatoes	A selection of filled jacket potatoes

Stars of the Week

Our stars of the week will recommence when we return after half term.



And Finally

We would like to sincerely thank all staff for their hard work and commitment shown towards our children this half term.

Thank you also to parents and carers for your continued support.



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The children must also be commended for their resilience, endurance and determination shown throughout a half term bursting with magnificent learning!

Attendance – School target – 96.50%

Congratulations to everyone in **Panther Class** for achieving the highest class attendance this week.

This week's class attendance figures are:

- 92.76% in Tiger class HT
- 95.63% in Tiger class LT/KG
- 91.38% in Leopard class
- 94.83% in Jaguar class
- 95.83% in Panther class

Our school attendance figure this week is **94.09%**. This week 89% of our pupils achieved 100% attendance – well done!

Yours sincerely,

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Head of School



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