



Dear Parents, Carers & Families,



Welcome back to a brand-new term and a brand-new year – 2026! We have lots to look forward to this term, with a range of exciting celebration days planned, including Safer Internet Day, Number Day, World Book Day, our Talking Café, and much more.

It has already been an AMAZING first week back, with all year groups enthusiastically launching their learning through their Big Bang Days – do take a look at the next page to see what they have been up to.

We are also delighted to welcome new members of staff to our school community: Mrs Hamed, our new SENDCo, and Miss Billings, our Wellbeing Coach. In addition, we are excited to share a positive update to our recognition of pupils, with the launch of Milkshake Friday. Children who are selected for a Golden Tree Award for demonstrating one of our school values will be invited to enjoy a celebratory milkshake with a member of the Senior Leadership Team – Miss Ingrams, Mrs Holdsworth, or Mrs Hamed.

This year is also the Year of Reading and Mrs Webber and Mrs Holdsworth have planned some exciting opportunities which we look forward to sharing with you soon!

We are very much looking forward to another positive and successful term together.

Miss Ingrams and the Lime Wood Primary team



## SIGN OF THE WEEK



Together

# BIG BANG DAYS

## Reception

Reception explored night and day through Owl Babies and came dressed as nocturnal and diurnal animals.



## Year 1



The Naughty Bus struck overnight, launching Y1's topic How did people travel long ago? with an exciting investigation day.

## Year 2

Year 2 had an incredible Big Bang Day with Time Capsule, becoming dragon hunters to launch their new topic.



# LAUNCHING TREEHOUSE OUR WELLBEING SPACE WITH MISS BILLINGS



Your **PTFA** has supported the school by donating funds raised by you, our community, to equip our new space that allows children to access a dedicated wellbeing space throughout the day.



We look forward to sharing more updates this term!

Welcome to Miss Billings, our new Wellbeing Coach, who is based in the Treehouse room.



# VALUES IN ACTION



A wonderful week back with fabulous TEAMWORK during Big Bang Days!

## LUNCHTIME AWARD

Adam M, Roxana, Almeja, Jeriah, Maxwell, David M



## BIRTHDAYS

Jacob M, Hope

## Miss Whitaker



# SAFEGUARDING

### Safeguarding at the Heart of Our School

The safety and wellbeing of our children is always our highest priority. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, and at school we work hard to ensure that all pupils feel safe, supported, and able to talk to a trusted adult if they ever feel worried or unsure.

All staff receive regular safeguarding training and are vigilant in recognising any concerns. Our safeguarding procedures are reviewed frequently to ensure they remain effective and in line with current guidance. We also teach children how to keep themselves safe through our curriculum, including lessons on online safety, healthy relationships, and how to seek help when they need it.

We would like to remind parents and carers that if you ever have a concern about a child's safety or wellbeing, please speak to a member of staff as soon as possible.

By working together, we can ensure our school remains a safe, caring, and nurturing environment for all children.



# STAR OF THE WEEK

Leo, Imaan, Avrora, Teo, Chidera, Dionte, Kiyan, Jessica, Maxwell, Gabriel, Harvey, Summer, Thasvanth

## GOLDEN TREE

Forest, Zaigham, Elsie, Arthur(YR), Sahil, Eva, Harper, Jacob M, Aleena, Zahra, Poppy, Edward, Albert



## KEY DATES

2026 is the Year of Reading



12<sup>th</sup> January- 9am-Parent Workshop in conjunction with NatWest: Financial Foundation changes and choices

15<sup>th</sup> January- Census Day

16<sup>th</sup> January- 9am Y1 Parent Workshop - Taking the Phonics Screening Check with Mrs Webber

9:30am Y2 Parent Workshop - Taking the Phonics Screening Check with Mrs Webber

16<sup>th</sup> January- Open Day session for prospective families 26-27 - 2pm

# ATTENDANCE

W/c 5.01.26

We strive for 96%+ attendance for all our children

Hundred Acre Wood  
94%

Neverwood Forest  
87%

Angling Spring Wood  
96%

Flaming Forest  
89%

Faraway Tree  
90%

Baobab Tree  
96%

Tiny Seed  
91%

Whole school, Year to date: 94%



Please speak to us if we can help with any attendance matters. We are here to help.

# COMMUNITY - CHILDREN'S CHAMPIONS



## Kindness and Friendship Poster Competition

The Lime Wood Children's Champions invite you to take part in their 'Kindness and Friendship' poster competition. You must design a poster (paper or digital) that shows how we can be kind and be a good friend at Lime Wood Primary School. There is space provided on the other side of this paper.

Your poster could include:

- Kind words or messages
- Pictures of children being kind or friendly
- Bright colours to help your message stand out

We ask for a donation of £1 to enter, which will go towards prizes.

Please hand in your poster or digital poster to your class Children's Champions representative and your donation to your class teacher by Friday 30th January.

Judging will take place in the following week, with winners announced in Celebration Assembly and shared on our school social media.

The winning entries will be displayed in classrooms and around the school. Good luck!

- Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Year and Class Name: \_\_\_\_\_



TEAMWORK

CURIOSITY

RESPECT

PRIDE

KINDNESS

# COMMUNITY

## Donations to Support Our Learning Topics

Dear Lime Wood community,

As part of our commitment to providing rich, hands-on learning experiences for our children, we are reaching out to our school community to ask for your support.

Across the year, children learn best when they can explore real objects, play with purpose, and make connections through practical resources. If you have any pre-loved toys, games, jigsaws, books, or learning resources that are in good condition and no longer needed at home, we would be extremely grateful to receive them.

We are particularly looking for donations that link to our learning topics, including:

**Families, Plants and growing, Fairytales, Celebrations, Recycling, London and the Great Fire of London, Shadows and light, Transport, Dragons and castles, Life cycles, Animals and minibeasts, Food and healthy eating, Maps, Pirates, Mexico**

Examples of useful items might include small-world toys, storybooks, non-fiction books, board games, construction toys, themed jigsaws, role-play items, or cultural artefacts connected to these topics.

All donations will be shared across classes and used to enrich lessons, provision areas, and play-based learning opportunities. Your generosity helps bring learning to life and supports curiosity, language development, and imagination.

If you are able to donate, please bring items into school and hand them to a member of staff. Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for being such a valued part of our school community.

Thank you! 😊

**Thanks For  
Your Support**

## Bexley Best Start in Life - Family Hubs survey



**Financial Foundations**  
**Changes and Choices**

9am- 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Lime Wood Primary School



TOMORROW BEGINS TODAY





Volunteers  
needed



## Our PTFA needs YOU!

We are very lucky here at Lime Wood Primary to have an active PTFA, who organise many events to raise money for our school. If you would like to get involved or find out more, please do get in touch!

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