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#### Open Windows and Cold Weather

As part of the government guidelines all classrooms and other communal spaces must remain well ventilated in order to reduce the spread of infection. That basically means we have to keep the windows open during the school day.

As the weather is starting to get colder, and before long it will get considerably colder, we ask parents to make sure that they send their children in with multiple layers of clothing on. The children can easily take a layer off if needed. Thank you.

#### Hitherfield Road Closure -School Streets Initiative

We feel that the closure of Hitherfield Road at the start and end of the school day has been essential in keeping our families safe during the pandemic. We would like the closure to continue and ask that, if you feel the same, you complete the survey so that Lambeth hears our thoughts. Here is the link to the survey:

#### https://

lambethemergencyschoolstreets. commonplace.is/schemes/ proposals/hitherfield-primaryschool-and-childrens-centre/details



## WELCOME BACK

We have been delighted to welcome back Year 2 children and staff today and look forward to welcoming back Year 1 on Monday 23rd and Year 5 on Thursday 26th November. We have missed you but we have enjoyed working with you through our virtual school. Thank you to all the parents and carers who have supported their child's on line learning at home.

#### A message for families working in the Hitherfield Virtual School...

It's been amazing to see families using our Hitherfield Virtual School during the class quarantine periods. Almost all of you are logging in every day and doing as many of the activities as you are able to manage! A special well done to families that have more than one child in our quarantined classes...we know how challenging it is to make sure that everyone is getting their share of the 'screen time', especially when the grown-ups are working from home too!

Well done everyone...see you back in school soon!

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### WORLD OF WORK WEEK 2021

As some of you may know, in the last academic year Hitherfield took part in a World of Work Week. This was provided by a charity and involved each year group learning about a different profession. This year, Alicia, who teaches 6 Orca, will be planning and coordinating the event in-house and she needs your help!

We are looking for any parents, carers or friends of the school, who would be interested in volunteering during World of Work Week 2021. This could be by:

- hosting a workshop
- being interviewed by children
- speaking in an assembly about your job.

The aim is to expose the children to the wide variety of career paths available to them in order to give them high aspirations.

We would love to hear from people in all sorts of professions and are especially looking for people working in:

- · science
- medicine
- engineering
- · Sport · food
- technology
  mathematics
- · farming
- theatre
- architecture

If this is something you, or someone you know, would be able to help us with please send your name, job you are willing to talk to the children about and contact details to hitherfieldpta@gmail.com with the subject World of Work Week 2021.

#### Thankyou for your support.



### BRINGING IN BIRTHDAY TREATS

We know that so many of you love to bring in cupcakes to share with the children in your child's class as part of their Birthday celebrations. Usually, we ask you to do this as the children leave the school at the end of the day. I'm sure you can appreciate that this is a bit of a problem at the moment as we want children and families to move on as quickly as possible at the end of the day in order to keep everyone as safe as possible. So...we are going to make a change to our practice for the time being. If you wish to bring treats for your child's class, please:

- make sure that the cupcakes are 'store bought' and individually wrapped or in a sealed packet. You will need 30 of these to make sure that each child in the class has one. Sorry, but we will not be able to accept large cakes that need to be cut up. If you send these in, they will be returned to you which will be extremely sad for your child.
- place the items you want shared in a bag with the child's name and class clearly labelled on it.
- give the bag to your child to bring in to school at the start of the day or leave it with the member of SLT on duty at the gate.

We will then make sure that the cakes are shared with the children in your child's class.

If your child has allergies then we will know this and ensure that they are not given anything they are not able to eat. If you do not wish your child to be given Birthday treats as described above in class, then please email the admin team and let us know. NUMBER 0525 / 20 NOVEMBER 2020

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PLEASE SEE BELOW THE DETAILS OF A 2020/2021 PROGRAMME OF FREE WORKSHOPS WHICH UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE WILL BE VIRTUAL PRESENTATIONS FOR PARENTS. ALL SESSIONS RUN ON TUESDAYS. THEY START AT 10.00 A.M. AND FINISH AT approx. 11.30 A.M. Please email <u>lterry@lambeth.gov.uk</u> to receive a link for each session.

Date	WORKSHOP TITLE: (key age group in brackets but everyone is welcome)	Date	WORKSHOP TITLE: (key age group in brackets but everyone is welcome)
DECEMBER 8 <sup>th</sup> 2020	Relationships and Puberty (key Stage 2 onwards)	APRIL 27 <sup>th</sup> 2021	Anxiety (All Ages)
JANUARY 26 <sup>th</sup> 2021	Behaviour (All Ages)	MAY 18 <sup>th</sup> 2021	Secondary Transition (Key Stage 2 and 3)
MARCH 9 <sup>th</sup> 2021	Using Resources at Home (Early Years and KS1)	JUNE 15 <sup>th</sup> 2021	Sensory Differences (All Ages)
		JULY 13 <sup>th</sup> 2021	Staying Safe (Key Stages 2 and 3)

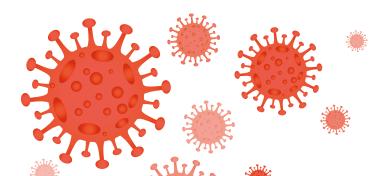
If you have any queries please contact <a href="https://literry@lambeth.gov.uk">literry@lambeth.gov.uk</a>

### A COVID-19 REMINDER

If your child has had contact with a person who has tested positive for Covid-19, they will need to isolate at home for 14 days even if you take them for a test and their test comes back negative. This is because they could develop symptoms after having the test for up to 14 days after their initial contact with the person who tested positive. Any child isolating for this reason will be supplied with an activity pack to complete at home.

If you have any Covid-19 symptoms, you must keep your child/ren at home for 14 days from the first sign of symptoms even if you do not get tested. If you feel the need to get a test, please keep your child/ren at home until you receive the result. If the test comes back negative, your child can come back to school. The days they are away for this reason will not be counted as an absence from school.

Please contact the school office if you are in any doubt about whether to send your child to school.



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### IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER FOR THE BIG INSPIRATIONS ONLINE PROJECT!

These FREE fun online activities will help entertain children in year 4, 5 and 6 at home as they are in the middle of another lockdown! Ans guess what? Like all BiG programmes, including is our popular points system where your children can win a prize!

### Check out this promo clip from the first session https://youtu.be/rSJY4Fz1WvI

This 10 sessions online project is FREE but will be limited so if you want to find out more information, and how you can enrol your children please contact Lionel Best on 07908 950 630, or email lionel.best@bigcic.org



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# **BUY TICKETS**

#### Don't delay - tickets are limited

It is illegal for anyone under 16 years of age to purchase or sell raffle tickets. Anyone under 16 years of age who buys a ticket for the Big PTA Raffle 2020 will immediately forfeit the right to any prize. Closing date 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020. A raffle is a form of gambling. If you, or someone you know, needs information and/or help with a problem gambling, please call GamCare on 0845 6000 133 or visit www.gamcare.org.uk