

*There is always light at
the end of a tunnel*



26th February 2021

Return to School

You will be aware that all children will be returning to school on Monday, 8th March. Next week, Mrs Hankin and Mrs Geldard will be uploading a 'quiz' onto their Teams pages to canvass the children's views about their experience of remote (home) learning.

Please help or encourage your child to complete this. Thank you.

We are here for you in school if you need anything. Please phone us even if it is just for a friendly chat.

Changes from 8th March

From 8 March, some of the rules on what you can and cannot do will be changing: You will be allowed to spend time in outdoor public spaces for recreation on your own, with one other person, or with your household or support bubble. This means you can sit down for a drink or picnic. You must continue to maintain social distance from those outside your household. This is in addition to outdoor exercise, which is already permitted pupils and students in all schools and Further Education settings will be able to return to face-to-face education, wraparound childcare can reopen and other children's activities can restart for all children where it is needed to enable parents to work, attend education, seek medical care or attend a support group. The rules on visiting care homes will change to allow regular indoor visits for a single named visitor. No further significant changes will be made on 8 March and restrictions requiring you to stay at home will remain in place. Later changes, including from 29 March, are set out in the roadmap available from www.gov.uk

Twitter

If you use Twitter, please follow us on Twitter (@lancylane.)

Mind Matters

Every Mind Matters Campaign commenced Monday 18th January and runs until the end of March 2021.

There are things we can all do to look after our mental wellbeing.

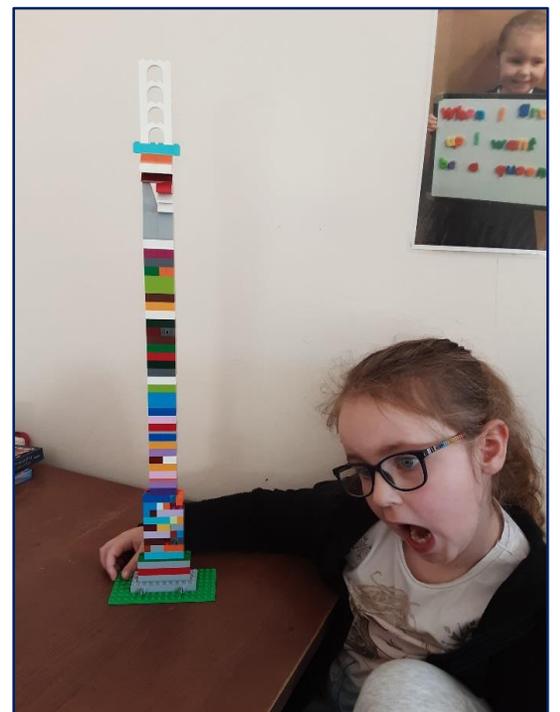
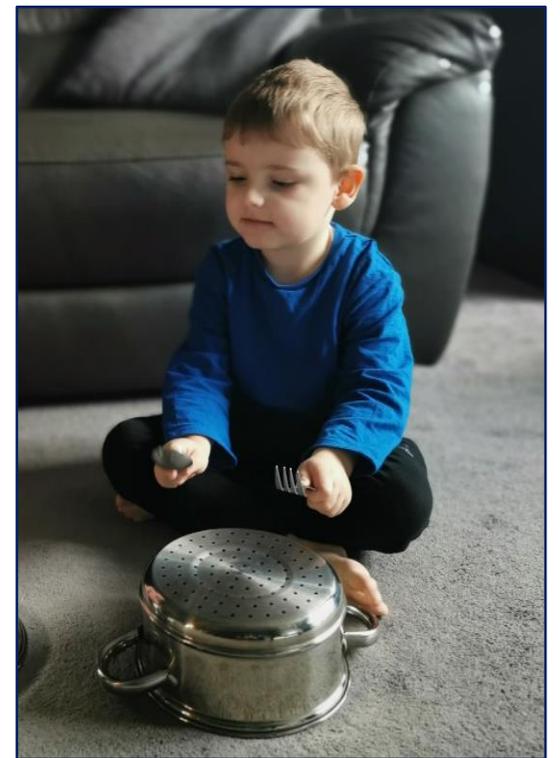
Every Mind Matters can get you started with a free NHS online plan, showing you simple steps to help manage anxiety, sleep better and boost your mood. Get your own Every Mind Matters mental health action plan here.

Road Works

Although the timing could not have been worse with the full re-opening of school, there are road closures taking place Pendle Road and Mendip Road from Tuesday, 9th March to Thursday 11th March. A ParentMail will be sent home next week with suggested routes to use to go to and from school. You may have to leave longer for your journey too so set those alarm clock for a little bit earlier on these days.

And finally

.... One small positive thought in the morning can change your entire day.



Early Learners Pre-School



The children have been enjoying their new play surface

Outside Achievements

Check out the Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust Website for lots of fun indoor and outdoor activities for families with a wetland theme, helping you get away from those screens.

From things to make and do to helpful nature-spotting guides, there's something for every kind of weather.



<https://www.wwt.org.uk/discover-wetlands/fun-and-learning/fun-stuff/>

Online Safety Tip



Apps to help children stay safe online

The BBC has a website and app called Own It. The website helps children navigate their online lives, and the free smartphone app comes with a special keyboard which can intervene with help and support in the moments that children need it the most. It can be downloaded for free in the Google Play and Apple App Store.

SafeToNet is an app for parents to help them protect their children from online risks like cyberbullying and sexting, while respecting their child's rights to privacy. The SafeToNet Foundation is providing UK families with free-for-life access to SafeToNet during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.