



OUR CORE VALUES

Aspirational Brave Compassionate Determined Enlightened

Message from our Headteacher

Feelin' hot, hot, hot.

The sun that we were looking for has finally come and we are positively encouraging children to drink and cover up in the heat. Children should bring a water bottle, with plain water, to school, we are encouraging children to use this in the classroom and the water fountains in the playground at playtime.

Next week in school we shall be having a sports focused week in school with assault courses, table tennis and team games- so look out for more information from class teachers and on Dojo!

Many of our Year 6 will be going to Frylands outdoor centre for a few days next week to cool off from all their hard work for the tests. They have really done their best and I shall miss this crazy group of children when they move on.

Our Sports Day is planned for Friday 1st July and will be at Goldsmiths College, it will be good to get back to sports days again! More information on this next week.



There is an important exhibition featuring Sybil Phoenix the local community activist after whom our Federation is named, she was a truly remarkable woman, and we are proud to bear her name as a federation.

Next Wednesday will be Windrush day and we will be remembering all the peoples of the Caribbean who came here and worked so hard to raise the country up after the war. Our Nursery are hoping to pay their respects to the memory of a great local man and character on that day – Mr Pink. https://youtu.be/YXh_sho2NGw

Children's reports will be sent to you on Tuesday 12th July and parents evenings planned for the 13th July. There will be more information for you before that date.

Thank you – stay cool!

Mickey Kelly MBE NLE

A message from Mr Gordon

We have had a week of brilliant sunshine! I've loved it as it reminds me of my days growing up in Jamaica with back-to-back sunshine most days. I was pleased to see the children dressing appropriately for the occasion, while still looking smart.

On Monday, I led my first assembly at Lucas Vale. It was lovely to meet all the children. I used the time to share some facts about myself with the children and staff. I also shared the Phoenix

Federation Pledge with was written by the talented Miss Bryce.

We are a unity,
We are a community.
We see no race,
But the human race.
We are proud of who we are,
We reach for the stars.
We strive for success,
Refuse to be oppressed.
We are the future generation,
We are the Phoenix Federation.

We read the pledge line by line and explained what it meant. The children read it a few times and have begun learning it. Parents, I ask you to help and encourage them to learn the pledge - it's our Federation pledge.

The rest of the week went by quickly but let's not forget that June is a month of activity and activism. Specifically, it is Pride Month and Thursday 16th June was National Clean Air Day. Next week marks the start of Refugee Week and Wednesday 22nd June will be Windrush Day. There is lots to do and through your support, let's remember that in all that we do we respect each and everyone.

Today I had the pleasure of speaking to the children of Hazeltine Primary, as they held their Careers Day workshop. I spoke under the heading of Black male headteacher, which not many primary school children get to experience. The children asked interesting questions. Here are a few; What/who inspired you to become a headteacher? Do you find your job stressful? Are you a cool headteacher?

Our Federation Carnival is getting closer... ..

I would like to thank all parents and carers for their continued support within the school community and remember if you have any issues I am always here, so feel free to come and speak to me.

Let us hope it is a sunny weekend so you can enjoy all the possible outdoor activities that are available for you to do with your children.

Achievements

From Nursery Stanislava - for using her words to speak clearly and sharing her own experiences confidently.

From Reception Mia - for being a role model for her peers and always doing the right thing- well done!

From 1D

Jaylen – for engaging and inputting ideas in all areas of our learning!

From 2H

Marin – for trying his best to use his sounds to blend words.

Elijah – for his determination in all subjects this week!

From 3K

Rylie – For working hard to improve his writing

Shadea – For her excellent attitude to learning.

From 3S

Arianna and Mariama both for their passion and zeal in her learning.

From 4N

Cyrus - for showing perseverance when being challenged in maths and Daniella for always showing focus and maturity.

From 4O

Yazid - for his dedication towards his learning. Always giving 100%. Never complains and striving to do better. Good attitude towards his learning. So proud of him.

From 5F

Hanan – for excellent reading and spellings during the week.

Benjamin – always working hard in all lessons.

From 5M

Kayceon- for writing a fantastic playscript using Shakespearean language

Omari- for increased confidence in English and making an excellent attempt to use Shakespearean language in his writing

From 6A

Ruby and Amira for showing passion and confidence during the year 6 performance rehearsals. Keep it up!

Logan for being a great role model to the younger children in the playground.

From 6D The whole of 6D for their hard work and effort in their writing. I am proud of their progress and all they have achieved!

Attendance



100%



98.1%



97.4%



Nursery

In Nursery we have continued our new topic – Explore and Roar.

We have read Ten Little Dinosaurs by Mike Brownlow. We had an exciting visit from the 'Travelling Natural History Museum'.

We had so much fun moving like a dinosaur, creating fossils, and learning about how the dinosaurs lived millions of years ago!

We rescued the dinosaurs from the swamp and drew our own dinosaurs too.

For maths we have been measuring the length and height of the various dinosaurs.



Year 6

We are so excited to be taking some of our year 6 children on a school journey next week.

All children have been given another copy of the kit list so that they can get packing this weekend!

The coach will be arriving at 9:45 on Monday so the children should arrive to school at normal time please.

They should come in clothing ready for the day's adventure.

Mobile phones will not be taken but we will be posting updates on Twitter etc so that you are kept updated on the fun they are having!





The School Streets Programme – Restricting traffic outside schools

Lucas Vale Primary School has teamed up with the School Streets programme, which is a scheme to reduce traffic volume outside schools, to favour pedestrians and cyclists at school start and finish times.



THE AIM OF THE SCHEME IS TO:

- tackle congestion
- improve air quality at the school gates
- make it easier and safer to walk and cycle to school
- create a friendlier and calmer environment for everyone.

SCHOOL	STREET	BETWEEN JUNCTIONS	OPERATION TIMES
Lucas Vale School managed barriers	St Nicholas Street	From junction with Tanners Hill and Lucas Street	Monday-Friday 8.15-9.15 and 2.30-3.30

EXEMPT PERSONS

Exempt persons include:

- Residents of the street
- Blue Badge Holding teachers, pupils and parents, carers, and other staff at the school where the restriction is present
- Carers of residents of the street.

To find out more about how to apply for an exemption, evidence requirements, and how to get in touch with Customer Services, visit [School Street Exemptions Questions and Answers](#).

It is everyone's responsibility to ensure the streets around the school are safe for our children.

SWIM SCHOOL SHORT COURSES

Wavelengths Leisure Centre
25th July - 26th August
10:00am, 10:30am, 11:00am, 11:30am
(PM available on the 25th July)
Foundation - Price £36.00 (5 days)

25% OFF - Use code SWIMHAPPY

Visit better.org.uk/swimming-lessons
for more information



We will be taking part in fun Maths based activities during the day.
On Tuesday 28th June, we will be hosting a Maths Fair from 2.30pm.

Join us where you will have the chance to take part in some amazing Maths activities in
your child/children's classroom.

Attendees will receive a raffle ticket for the chance to win a voucher!

Biscuits and juice will be provided.



Limited Nursery Places Available!

Do you have a child turning **3 years old** soon?
(or younger to be added to our waiting list)

We currently have a **limited** number of places
available for our **renewed nursery** class at

Lucas Vale Primary School.

Our class offers a **positive** atmosphere,
to aid your child to **learn and develop**
to the best of their **abilities**.

For further information, please contact
the main school office

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admin@lucasvale.lewisham.sch.uk

School contact details

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From next half term, both offices will be open from
08.00 till 4.00pm.

Upcoming Dates 2022

Summer Term 2 2022

Monday 6th June to Friday 22nd July 2022

Sports Day

1st July at Goldsmiths

Careers Fair

6th July

Parents Evening

Week beginning 11th July 2022

Carnival

Thursday 21st July

Autumn Term 1 2022

Inset days Thursday 1st and
Friday 2nd September.



Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to let you know that I will
be leaving Lucas Vale and Grinling
Gibbons Primary Schools on Friday 8th
July. Over the past 13 years, I have

been given many opportunities to develop my career
path and have decided to transfer these skills to the
Metropolitan Police Force, where I shall start my
journey as a Communications Officer based in the City
of London.

I shall miss everyone, especially the children who
attend the Wraparound Club at
Lucas Vale.

Sarah McEwen will be joining the
schools in my place, and she looks
forward to getting to know you
all.



Susanne Platt—Executive Business
Assistant

Sports Week

Next week is Sports Week and on Tuesday,
Wednesday and Thursday we have a variety
of activities planned so
children are
encouraged to wear
their P.E. kits.

