



### VALUE OF THE MONTH: KINDNESS

Each week, we invite you to talk to your child about a Bible passage, this week's passage is:

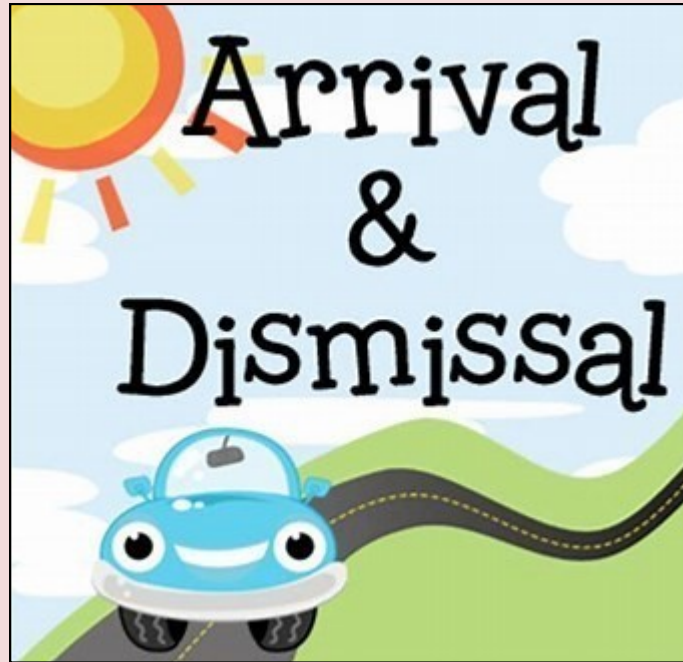
*'I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with unfailing kindness'* Jeremiah 31  
verse 3



### NEW RECEPTION CHILDREN

It has been such a delight to see our new Reception children again this week. We look forward to welcoming them into School for mornings, up until midday, from next Monday.





Our continued thanks for your diligence in ensuring that 'drop offs' and 'pick ups' run as smoothly as possible and are safe as they can be.

Below are reminders of a couple of variations to drop off arrangements; we are grateful to you all for your flexibility and understanding.

### YEAR 3 NEW DROP OFF ARRANGEMENTS

Just to remind Year 3 parents/carers that from Monday of next week, 14th September, drop off time will be 8.50am, with parents/carers dropping their children at the gate and not entering onto the School grounds. On Monday, a Year 3 teacher will be at each of the gates along with a member of the SLT, to welcome your child. Pick up arrangements remain unaltered.

### REVISED YEAR R DROP OFF TIME

Next week will see our Year R children joining us for the mornings (until midday). Please be reminded that the Year R children's drop off time has been temporarily moved to 9.10am. Year 1 children should still arrive at 9.05am.

### DROP OFF ON KS1 PLAYGROUND

For those of you dropping at the top gate, please move away and clear the pathway immediately you have released your child. This will ensure that the pathway is not congested for those arriving after you. If you have already dropped one child at either gate and you are waiting to drop a sibling at a later time, please ensure that you leave a clear pathway for those needing to enter and exit ahead of you.



## YEAR 6 BIKEABILITY

Groups of Year 6 children have continued this week to take part in the KCC cycle training, Bikeability. This training programme teaches children practical cycling skills and gives them the understanding and expertise they need to ride their bikes on the road.

A lot of fun is had by all!



## DIARY DATES

As you will all appreciate, when we set the annual diary dates for the year, this was with an aspirational approach. Please continue to keep an eye on the School diary, both on our website and at the end of the Newsletter, for alterations.

## THREAD WORM AND HEAD LICE

We have already had a confirmed case of thread worm in Year 3 and head lice in Years 2 and 4. Please could we ask that you check your child and treat appropriately. For more information please follow the links below:

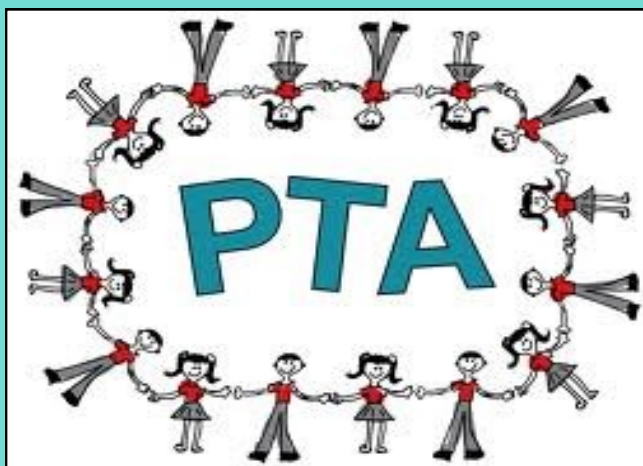
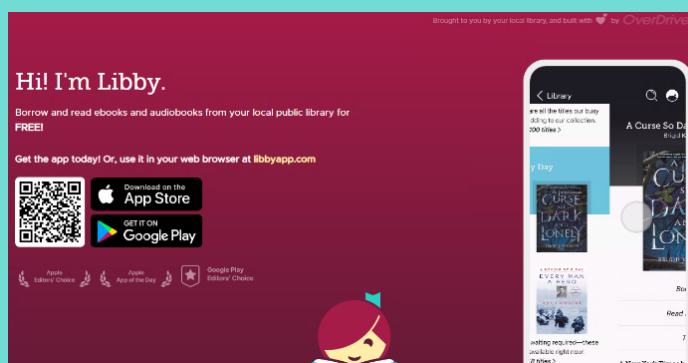
<https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/stomach-liver-and-gastrointestinal-tract/threadworms#:~:text=For%20most%20people%2C%20treatment%20will,avoid%20spreading%20the%20threadworm%20eggs.>

<https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/skin-hair-and-nails/head-lice-and-nits>

## NEW PUBLIC LIBRARY APP

A new public library App named 'Libby' has gone live. If you have a library card for your local library you can now use this App to download and read books stocked within the library network. For more information follow the link below:

<https://www.overdrive.com/apps/libby/>



### A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PTA ...

#### SECOND HAND UNIFORM

Thank you to everyone who donated uniform or helped us run the second hand uniform sales this week. Together the two sales raised over £500 for the school which is a brilliant result. As you can imagine that's a lot of PE shirts and jumpers being sold so our stocks need replenishing! Do please think of donating any outgrown uniform (no whites or greys) to us. There is a plastic crate in the PTA donation box (by the wooden gate) in which you can leave uniform for us to collect.

#### FUNDRAISING 2020/21

The current (and future) social distancing restrictions are going to have a major impact on our ability to run events this academic year. The PTA Committee are exploring different ideas and thinking of alternative ways that we can fundraise to help support the school. We would very much like to hear from you if you have great idea that you would like us to consider.

Furthermore, if anyone is interested in joining the PTA committee this year, or becoming a 'Friend of the PTA' please do get in touch at [ladyboswellspta@googlemail.com](mailto:ladyboswellspta@googlemail.com) and we can tell you a little more about what's involved and how you can help.

## DIARY DATES

All diary dates can also be found on the Lady Boswell's website under Parents>Calendar.

TERM 1—DIARY DATES		TERM 2—DIARY DATES	
W/c 14/9/2020	9.10am Reception children start School for half days; to be picked up at midday	2/11/2020	First day of Term 2
17/9/2020	<b>Unable to go ahead</b> —New Parent Volunteer meeting—more information to follow	4/11/2020	Open Morning for prospective parents of children due to start school in September 2021. For more information please see the Lady Boswell's website under Admissions
W/c 21/9/2020	Reception children to attend School for half days and to remain for lunch	13/11/2020	Flu Immunisation—more information to follow
28/9/2020	Reception children to start full days at School	20/11/2020	Inset Day and Parent Consultation Meetings—more information to follow
2/10/2020	Bentley Photographic Portrait Photos—best uniform please	25/11/2020	2.30pm Advent Service led by Year 3. Year 3 parents are invited to attend
4/10/2020	<b>Unable to go ahead</b> - Lady Boswell's Annual Church Service	1/12/2020	3.30pm Open Classroom
7/10/2020	<b>Unable to go ahead</b> —KS2 Harvest Festival	8/12/2020	2.30pm EYFS and KS1 Nativity performance—information to follow
7/10/2020	<b>Unable to go ahead</b> —KS1 Harvest Festival	9/12/2020	2.30pm EYFS and KS1 Nativity performance—information to follow
7/10/2020	3.00pm Sevenoaks Rugby Club Tag Rugby Festival	9/12/2020	6.30pm EYFS and KS1 Nativity performance—information to follow
15/10/2020	11+ Day	15/12/2020	School Christmas Lunch
19/10/2020	Year 2—Great Fire of London Workshop—information to follow	16/12/2020	6.30pm KS2 Carol Service at St. Nicholas Church — information to follow
22/10/2020	Last day of Term 1	18/12/2020	Last day of Term 2
23/10/2020	Inset Day—no children in School		





## Schools & Parents Active Travel Newsletter



Last month we reached out to around 400 Kent schools to help understand the issues teachers, pupils and parents have been facing on the school run during the coronavirus pandemic.

We realise you are likely to continue to face the same issues come September.

With the responses we got, there were some common themes emerging:

- Irresponsible parking and congestion
- Inappropriate speeds and careless driving (on roads close to schools)
- Restricted ability to socially distance

The aim of this newsletter is to identify ways in which you might be able to rethink your journey in order to help make the areas outside your school a safer and less stressful environment, and to make the school run more enjoyable.

Changing the way in which you travel is not about altering your lifestyle or making any big commitment. It's about exploring the changes you would like to make that work for you, your life, your family and your commitments.

If everyone takes one small step,  
we can make a real difference.



### How do you do it?

**Active Travel** keeps you fit and improves mental health. It's a convenient way to exercise every day and you can save money on parking, fuel and gym fees!

**Cycling** can be quicker and can avoid traffic jams.

**Walking** is absolutely free; it's great exercise and you can time your journey precisely.

If it's too far to walk or cycle all of the way, why not try **Park & Stride**; this means parking a little bit further away from school and then walking, scooting or cycling the last 5/10mins to the school gates!

"I love park & striding with Mummy. We go on her scooter together from the car and I like the breeze in my face. I also like it because it saves my legs from getting tired!"

Effie, 6 years old





## Tips for Walking Safely

Look for safer places to cross the road, e.g. pedestrian crossings, zebra crossings, pedestrian islands, footbridges and toucan crossings. Unsafe places to cross include near bends or junctions. Avoid distractions, such as mobile phones, headphones, balls, food/drink, and talking to friends. Young children should hold hands with an adult.

- **STOP** before the kerb
- **LOOK** for cars and other traffic
- **LISTEN** for cars and other traffic
- **THINK** at all times



## Tips for Cycling Safely

- Always wear a cycle helmet, even for a short journey
- Do not hang a cycle helmet on the handlebars where the straps can become caught in your wheel
- Consider wearing bright coloured clothing so other road users can see you more easily
- Ensure your tyres are pumped up

Further information and resources are available at:

<https://bikeability.org.uk/tools-for-schools>

## Contact & More Info

If you are a school seeking support with Travel Plans, grant funding opportunities, or active travel and responsible parking promotion, you can visit:

[www.jambusterstpms.co.uk](http://www.jambusterstpms.co.uk)  
or email [iona.roguski@kent.gov.uk](mailto:iona.roguski@kent.gov.uk)

For more specific road safety advice you can find all of our various campaigns here:

[www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/road-safety](http://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/road-safety)

For more active travel information, you can check the Kent Connected website or app for walking and cycling routes near you:

[www.kentconnected.org](http://www.kentconnected.org)

