

LARKSWOOD NEWS

Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have started the term off by saying thank you to our essential workers and praising our NHS. The school community, and those who have been on-site this week with children have created a wonderful poster which is on display out the front of our school – it is only a small token to give our immense thanks to all of our parents and carers who are keeping our community safe.

I hope that you have managed to settle into a rhythm with your home-schooling and are finding our new approach to teaching and learning useful during this difficult time. For those of you who may not have, or have a limited number of devices e.g. ipads, to support your child or children with home learning – please contact the school on 0208 529 4979.

Our school website has been updated with a new 'coronavirus updates' link for any of our updated information or letters that would have been emailed to you. Should you have missed any information in relation to home learning, or updates that have been sent to the whole school about Coronavirus – then please visit: <http://larkswoodlime.london/coronavirus-updates/>

Over the coming weeks we will continue to maintain as much contact with you all via our website, newsletters, and through your child's teacher on Seesaw – should you have any questions at all, please email or call the school and a member of the team will be sure to get in touch.

To our wonderful children of Larkswood – we have been seeing all of your fantastic learning online, and I am so immensely proud of the perseverance you have shown during these unprecedented times. You are showing the world just how brave and resilient you are. Stay focused, stay healthy and stay safe. And lastly, to those colleagues and families observing Ramadan, wishing you a very peaceful holy month.

Have a lovely weekend,

Brendan Plunkett



LARKSWOOD NEWS

THANK YOU NHS!

Also, as a whole school (every year group has contributed) we have been creating a banner to be displayed outside the school gates that says 'Thank You NHS!' The lower years have drawn wonderful 'Thank you' pictures and have cut out lots of colourful heart shapes and the higher years have drawn and designed the lettering for the banner.

The children all LOVED making the banner and are very proud to show it off!



LARKSWOOD NEWS

OBSTACLE COURSE ACTIVITY!

This week the children have planned, designed and carried out their own obstacle course. The children have considered using a range of P.E equipment from bikes, to skipping ropes, to tennis rackets and many more! The children used stopwatches to time each other. The children had a brilliant time!



LARKSWOOD NEWS

HOME LEARNING HELP

StarLine home learning helpline

[StarLine](#) – a new home learning telephone helpline - is now live to support parents and carers nationwide.

A group of partners including David Ross Education Trust, Freshworks, Future Academies, Inspiration Trust, Mumsnet, Oak National Academy, PLMR, StarAcademies, Triple P Positive Parenting Program and United Learning have come together to create and deliver StarLine. Each partner has pledged their people, expertise and resources to support StarLine. This initiative is supported and welcomed by CST and also by the DfE.

StarLine will help parents and carers in the following ways:

By providing access to a team of qualified teachers, education and parenting experts.

By focussing on providing practical ideas, support and reassurance.

By offering tips, techniques and resources to enable parents to give their children the support they need to continue learning while schools are closed.

By supporting family wellbeing and mental health.

By covering all phases of education and subjects plus behaviour, pupil wellbeing and SEND.

StarLine is available to parents and carers of pupils from all schools nationwide. Free, confidential advice is available six days a week by phoning the StarLine team on 0330 313 9162. For more information, visit www.starline.org.uk

The team behind StarLine will also be broadcasting a weekly programme on YouTube. In each episode of StarLive, a guest presenter will share practical ideas for home learning. Further details can be found on the StarLine website.



LARKSWOOD NEWS



The #DailyMileAtHome

WEEK 3 (MONDAY 20 APRIL)



It's time for your Week 3 The #DailyMileAtHome Challenges already. Weeks 1 and 2 whizzed by in a blur, so get yourself ready for three fun-packed Challenges this week.

REMIND ME WHAT I HAVE TO DO?

The #DailyMileAtHome is simple.

Step one, head outside for a jog or a run, or a walk-jog, or a walk-run, for 15 minutes from front door to front door.

Step two, do our Challenges while you're out and about, or when you get back home.

Step three, take a picture (if you want to) and share it using #DailyMileAtHome. We love to see you completing your Challenges!



CHALLENGE 6

(MONDAY 20 AND TUESDAY 21 APRIL)

TOO-BIG T-SHIRTS DAY

Do you wear the same old stuff every time you go out?

Level it up and find the biggest T-shirt you can - We bet your grown-up has a big, baggy one somewhere.

Now do you #DailyMileAtHome. In a too-big T-shirt. You'll make everyone smile when they see you!

P.S. Just don't trip over!



CHALLENGE 7

(WEDNESDAY 22 AND THURSDAY 23 APRIL)

WEAR BLUE

Let's keep this Challenge going every week.

It shows we are grateful to the people caring for anyone who is ill at the moment. They are real heroes.

So find something blue to wear when you're out doing your #DailyMileAtHome



CHALLENGE 8

(FRIDAY 24 APRIL)

COUNT THE RAINBOWS

Head out and about where you live - can you spot any rainbows in the windows?

See how many you can count, and let us know #DailyMileAtHome

We think the record will be 15. Can you beat that?

We'd love to see pictures of your rainbows too!




thedailymile.co.uk
#DailyMileAtHome

STAY AT HOME

PROTECT THE NHS

save lives