



**Dear Parents and Carers,**  
 I hope that you have all enjoyed a restful Christmas break.

It has been great to welcome the children back this week! I have been impressed with how calmly and sensibly they have all settled back into their school routines.

Please refer to the letter sent to you on Class Dojo on 02.01.2022 for an update regarding Covid-19 (testing and self-isolation periods) and the measures being taken in school to ensure that our pupils and staff remain well at this time. If you do have any queries relating to this, please do not hesitate to contact me on Class Dojo, or on [charlotte.williams@low.mmat.co.uk](mailto:charlotte.williams@low.mmat.co.uk)

Next week, we are looking forward to our themed launch day on Wednesday. Children are welcome to come to school in costumes linked to their topics, which are as follows:

Hummingbirds/Robins – ‘Roots, Shoots and Muddy Boots’

Skylarks – ‘What’s in the Toy Box?’

Kingfishers – ‘Earthly Elements’

Owls – ‘Tomb Raiders’

A more detailed letter about this (with costume suggestions) can be found on Class Dojo (06.12.2021).

Have a wonderful weekend!

*Miss Charlotte Williams*  
**Acting Head of School**



## REMINDERS & NOTICES



### GoRead!

In September, we launched our digital reading record system...this has proven a huge success!

A support tutorial for this is available on our website:  
[www.lowerheath.co.uk/parentsandpupils/parents-information/](http://www.lowerheath.co.uk/parentsandpupils/parents-information/)

More recently, we have launched a reward system (linked to GoRead) to further motivate children.

At the end of each week, the total number of reads per whole class is counted. Each class is awarded their total using a digital marble system. Once a class has reached their given target, they can select a class reward.

Last half term, Skylark met their target of 300 marbles, and claimed their reward of a film afternoon. They have been set a new target of 500 marbles!

At the end of last term, Kingfisher met their target of 300 marbles and will be choosing their reward to enjoy.

Robins and Owls are over halfway towards their targets.

Well done everybody! Keep logging those reads!

### Family Support Worker – Miss Vigon

As Family Support Worker here at Lower Heath, I am here to provide timely help when your family needs it, working with the Senior Leadership team, to provide information and guidance for parents and families during challenging times, in order to reduce and prevent your child’s barrier to learning.

Family Support includes:

- Promoting good attendance and punctuality.
- Promoting self-esteem, confidence and positive mental health.
- Promoting positive behaviour.
- Providing one-to-one support with life changes and difficulties including: anger/Emotions, social media, bullying, bereavement, separation/divorce or health issues.
- Supporting with parental issues i.e. domestic abuse, housing, finance, health and development concerns.
- Being the link between school and Early Help Services.

Please feel free to contact me should you need any advice relating to any of the above.

You can contact me via email: [leah.vigon@low.mmat.co.uk](mailto:leah.vigon@low.mmat.co.uk)

*"There can be no greater gift than that of giving one's time and energy to helping others without expecting anything in return."*  
 Nelson Mandela

## WORSHIP



This half term, in worship, we will be focusing on the Christian value of **respect**. Next week, we will be focusing on ‘**understanding the meaning of respect**’ (1 **Corinthians 12**). If children have any prayers, linked to this theme, that they would like to share during worship, they would be very welcome to do so.

## CELEBRATION



### Happy Birthday to:

We don’t have any birthdays to celebrate in our school community this week.



## AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to this week’s **Headteacher Award winners**, who are:

**Hummingbirds:** Hunter, Ava and Isla

**Robin Class:** Amira, Emily and Astrid

**Skylark Class:** Arthur, Kimi, Reggie and Oliver M

**Kingfisher Class:** Poppy P, Lukas, Gracie-May and Lily

**Owl Class:** Guy, Liam and Ava

## UPCOMING EVENTS

[Click here](#) to view our upcoming events.  
 Events at a glance:



**w/c 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022** – clubs resume

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2022** – Topic Launch Day

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022** – Chance to Shine Cricket – taster sessions for all pupils – PE kits to be worn on this day

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February** – Half Term

[Click here](#) to view our term dates.



## NEWS

[Click here](#) to view what our students have been up to recently.

