

Hello everyone! Hope you all had a good summer break! It is fabulous to be back to school for another academic year and hopefully this would be a normal year with no major disruptions. Please continue to observe good habits such as social distancing and leaving the school grounds soon after the children have stepped into their classrooms. In school we are continuing with the rigour of washing hands regularly, staff being vigilant if any child displays sickness symptoms and thorough cleaning of the school; with the addition of a daytime cleaner to the staffing structure. Our updated Covid Risk Assessment is on the website.

A big welcome to the following new staff: Mrs Golley, the Lower Key Stage 2 Vice Principal who is teaching Charles Darwin class this term; Mrs Bashir the Nursery teacher, Mrs Hatton teaching in Butterfly class and Miss Woolf teaching in Mole class. Also a warm welcome to Mr Khan, our Premises Manager and Mrs Malik our day-time cleaner. Please assist us in making these new members of staff feel welcomed and being part of our LFPA family!

Our building works are still ongoing and things have progressed rapidly since we last reported the developments. We will strive to inform you in advance (on the school App) if there are any closures to the walking path from the public car park to the school grounds; which would mean that families should walk safely on the pavement and enter the school grounds using the main gate during those times. We are getting excited and cannot wait to see the completed extension teaching rooms, just before Christmas! Most importantly though our children will be taught by our highly qualified and experienced Vice Principals, teachers and HLTAs in smaller groups for English and Maths so they can make rapid progress in their learning.



As it is the beginning of the school year we aim to work together to instil our school values in our children so they can develop and grow into responsible, happy young adolescents. The school uniform policy (including PE kit expectations), attendance policy, healthy food policy and homework expectations should be supported and embedded by parents with their children at home whilst we do our part in school. (The school uniform and attendance policies are attached)

The children, staff and I were so delighted with our fantastic achievement where we attained 9th place (over 400 schools participated) in the TTR summer challenge. Despite two years of disruption to learning, we had progressed from 17th position in 2020 to top ten this year! This huge achievement speaks volumes of our LFP Way 'Aiming High'. My heartfelt gratitude to Mr McElwee, the Maths Lead, the teachers, staff, children and families for making this happen—I am really proud of our LFPA family!

Finally you will be pleased to know that our 'Meet the teacher' mornings, class assemblies, parents workshops, parents evenings and PTA events will be resuming as normal! Do check the school App, website and newsletter for further details. I look forward to seeing all parents/carers at these events.

Warm regards

Ms Buttar

School Uniform

School Uniform is necessary because students must know the importance of equality as it helps them to understand every individual is equal and not above or below anyone. If we see not wearing the same types of clothes can bring out an inferiority complex in them because all of them come from different financial backgrounds.

Some people believe that a school uniform can improve learning by reducing distraction, sharpening focus on schoolwork, and making the classroom a more focused environment, allowing students to perform better academically. Please visit our website to view the Uniform policy. Children not wearing the correct school uniform and PE kits will receive a note to take home as a reminder for parents to ensure their child/ren come to school prepared to learn.

Car Parking

We have residents complain that parents are blocking their drive way. Parking wardens are present both in the morning and afternoon. So please be vigilant to avoid parking tickets. If you are parking in the car park next to the school, please do not double park and be kind and considerate to other parents.

Collection Password

If your child is picked up from school by a relative or a friend, parents have to call the school to get a password. The password changes everyday so please ensure you give the right password to the adult who is picking your child.

Password for all online platforms

Please note that all password for the online platforms will be sent home on the 20th September 2021. Make sure you keep this safe, write it somewhere or even take a screenshot of the letter. If you need the password to be issued the second time you will incur a charge of 10p.

Club this term :

Year 2 Dodgeball club on Tuesday from 21st September 2021 to 19th October 2021

Year 3 and 4 Basketball trials on Monday from 20th September 2021 to 18th October 2021

Year 5 Athletics club on Friday from 24th September 2021 to 22nd October 2021

Big band club and Art club :

Year 4 big band club on Thursday from 23rd September to 21st October 2021

Year 5 big band club on Wednesday from 22nd September 2021 to 20th October 2021

Year 6 big band club on Tuesday from 21st September 2021 to 19th October 2021

Year 6 Art Club on Friday from 24th September 2021 to 15th October 2021

Events :

21st September - International day of peace

24th September - Coffee morning with Principal/PTA/ School priorities for 2021/22 at 8.50 am

4th October - World space week begins

Attendance for Week Beginning:

PUNCTUALITY

Good punctuality means making sure your child is at school and ready to learn before the bell rings!

This means arriving early. Try to get to school for 10 minutes early and get your child settled ready to learn.

LOST MINUTES = LOST LEARNING

5 minutes = 3 days lost

10 minutes = 6.5 days lost

15 minutes = 10 days lost

20 minutes = 13 days lost

30 minutes = 19 days lost

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS BUT EVERY MINUTE IS EQUALLY IMPORTANT

We will also refer you to the EWO if your child is regularly late.

Good/Outstanding Attendance

⇒ Weekly class trophy and certificate for the class that has the highest attendance

⇒ A few children will also be getting vouchers for continuous attendance from Ms Dickerson



⇒ Half termly Pizza party for the individual child with 100% attendance with the Principal



Attendance for Week Beginning:

Period: 06/09/2021 to 10/09/2021		
	Group	%
1	Grasshopper	100
2	Katherine Johnson	100
3	Maryam Mirzakhani	100
4	Charles Dickens	99.3
5	Marie Curie	97.9
6	Squirrel	96.9
7	Cressida Cowell	96.2
8	Maya Angelou	95.7
9	Charles Darwin	95.4
10	Archimedes	95
11	Fox	94.3
12	Norman Foster	94.2
13	Badger	92.4
14	Nikola Tesla	90.4
15	Zaha Hadid	90.4
16	Otter	89.3
17	Mole	89
18	Renzo Piano	88.6
19	Rabbit	88

Period: 13/09/2021 to 17/09/2021		
	Group	%
1	Grasshopper	99.6
2	Squirrel	98.6
3	Otter	98.6
4	Charles Dickens	97.9
5	Maryam Mirzakhani	97.9
6	Marie Curie	97.5
7	Ladybird	97
8	Cressida Cowell	97
9	Nikola Tesla	95.5
10	Maya Angelou	95.4
11	Katherine Johnson	95.4
12	Fox	95
13	Archimedes	94.7
14	Zaha Hadid	93.8
15	Butterfly	93.6
16	Badger	92.6
17	Charles Darwin	90.9
18	Renzo Piano	90.7
19	Norman Foster	89.8
20	Mole	89.7
21	Rabbit	89.6

Term dates 2021/2022	
Autumn (1) Term from 1st September to 22nd October	
*Staff Development Day	Thursday 2nd September 2021
*Staff Development Day	Friday 3rd September 2021
Children back to school	Monday 6th September 2021
*Staff Development Day	Friday 22nd October 2021
School closed for Half term	Monday 25th October - Friday 29th October 2021
Autumn (2) Term from 1st November 2021 to 17th December 2021	
Term Ends (Children finish school)	Friday 17th December 2021 - School finishes at 2:30pm
Spring (1) Term 2022 from 4th January 2022 to 11th February 2022	
Children back to school	Tuesday 4 th January 2022
School closed for Half Term	Monday 14th February 2022 - Friday 18th February 2022
Spring (2) Term 2022 from 21st February 2022 to 1st April 2022	
Children back to school	Monday 21 st February 2022
Term Ends (Children finish school)	Friday 1st April 2022 - School finishes at 2:30 pm
Summer (1) Term 2022 from 19th April 2022 to May 27th 2022	
Children back to school	Tuesday 19 th of April 2022
School closed for Half term	Monday 30th May 2022 - Friday 03rd June 2022
Summer (2) Term 2022 from 6th June 2022 to July 22nd 2022	
Term Ends (Children finish school)	Thursday 21nd July 2022 - School finishes at 2:30pm
*Staff Development day	Friday 22nd July 2022

- *May Bank holiday will be taken on 2nd May 2022*
- *Spring Bank holiday moved to 2nd June 2022 and the new Queen's Jubilee Bank holiday will be on 3rd June 2022*

N.B. Any Further amendments for 2021/2022 will be notified in due course

Healthy Food Policy

Overall aim of the policy:

To ensure that all packed lunches brought from home and consumed in school (or on school trips) provide the pupil with healthy and nutritious food that is similar to food served in schools, which is now regulated by national standards.

National guidance:

The policy was drawn up using a range of national documents including information and a draft policy from the School Food Trust, the Food in schools toolkit (Department of Health) and Food policy in schools – a strategic policy framework for governing bodies (National Governors' Council, (NGC) 2005).

What role should schools play?

Eating habits are developed during childhood. If encouraged to enjoy healthier food and drink early on, it is more likely that these positive behaviours will remain with children and young people throughout life.

Food and drink in packed lunches: what the policy states

- The school will provide facilities for pupils bringing in packed lunches and ensure that free, fresh drinking water is readily available at all times.
- The school will work with the pupils to provide attractive and appropriate dining room arrangements
- The school will work with parents to ensure that packed lunches abide by the standards listed below.

Pupils are advised to bring packed lunches in insulated bags with freezer blocks where possible to stop the food going off, especially in the warmer days.

Wherever possible the school will ensure that packed lunch pupils and school dinner pupils will be able to sit and eat together.

Packed lunches should include:

- *At least one portion of fruit or vegetables every day.*
- *Meat, fish or other source of non-dairy protein (e.g. lentils, kidney beans, chickpeas, hummus and falafel) every day making sure the meat is off the bone.*
- *A starchy food such as any type of bread, pasta, rice, couscous, noodles, potatoes or other type of cereals*
- *Dairy food such as cheese, yoghurt, fromage frais or custard*
- *Only water, still or sparkling, fruit juice, semi-skimmed or skimmed milk, yoghurt or milk drinks and smoothies.*

Packed lunches should NOT have confectionery such as chocolate bars, chocolate-coated biscuits and sweets.

Break time snacks (for KS2 only; EY/KS1 are given a piece of fruit)—Break time snacks should be a piece of fruit/vegetable – NO OTHER SNACKS ALLOWED AT BREAK

We are A NO NUTS school - so NO items containing nuts are permitted in school