



# Lacey Green Primary Academy



## Autumn 2019

### ISSUE 2

#### OUR FANTASTIC NETBALL TEAM!

Incredibly, we are already just over half way through the first half term and hope that your child(ren)s first few weeks of the new academic year have been good. We have lots to fit in between now and the end of the half term, including: Parents' Evening, the PTA Halloween Discos and our fantastic and highly enjoyable Design and Technology week which pupils and staff are all looking forward to.

#### HARVEST 2019

Our Harvest Festival will take place in school on **Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October** and will be a celebration with all staff and children.

We are collecting for Food Friend Wilmslow – down at St Bart's.

Children are asked to bring Harvest Gifts to school **on the morning of Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October**. All gifts will be collected by the St Bart's Foodbank, Wilmslow who support local families. **Please make sure that all gifts are non-perishable (tinned and dried food) and that they are still in date, as they have to be stored for distribution.**

Suggested types of food: *Cereal, Tea Bags / Instant Coffee, Sugar, Long Life Semi Skimmed Milk, Instant Mash / Tinned Potatoes, Pasta, Noodles, Rice, Jars of Pasta Sauce, Tinned Vegetables, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Rice Pudding / Custard, Jam, Tinned Tuna, Baked Beans*

**Link to the Food Friend Full list: ([Click Here](#))**



#### PARENTS' EVENINGS

Parents' Evenings will take place on either **Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> October or Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> October between 3.45pm and 7.00pm.** **Confirmation of your day and time slot will be sent home on Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> October in book bags.** This is an opportunity for you to meet with your child's class teacher for **five minutes** and is an **informal** meeting where parents/carers can discuss with the teacher how their child/ren have settled into their respective classes.

We would like to remind all parents that the **five-minute appointment** is to discuss how your child is settling into their new class. If you need to discuss any issues in greater detail, or are unable to attend the evening, please ring the office to arrange a mutually convenient appointment date, either before school or straight after school, with your child's class teacher.

## PLEASE LABEL ALL CLOTHING!

Could all parents **please ensure** that children have their names on all clothing and shoes worn in school. It is very difficult for the school to trace lost property and prove ownership when labelling is not present. Could we ask that all items of clothing worn to school be labelled clearly with the child's full name as other children can have the same initials.

## SCHOOL LUNCHES

We would like to remind parents that our School Lunch Payment Policy is that parents pay for dinner money for the week in advance or more if preferred. This must be paid for on SchoolComms by the Sunday (12 midnight) before the week starts. This is to safeguard parents from accumulating debts and being unable to repay these.

A total of **£12.00 minimum** for the week ahead must be paid.

All accounts for school meals are checked first thing on a Monday morning. If you have not paid for the week in advance you will be contacted and will be required to provide a packed lunch for your child.

***We operate a zero debts policy in school and all payments must be made in advance of the following week. Thank You.***

## CONTACTING PARENTS



Please download the **FREE** School Gateway app. This means that we can contact you via text for **FREE** using our Schoolcomms system.

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## ATTENDANCE

A letter about attendance has already been sent to parents/carers and it would be great if we could keep everyone's attendance figure as close to 100% as possible. A few missed sessions have serious impact on your child's attendance figure. If your child's attendance falls below 95% we will be getting in contact with parents as we really don't want anyone to reach 90%, as this is when the government now class the child as a persistent absentee. If you are having any difficulty in getting your child to school, **AND on time**, please let us know and we will see what we can do to help. We are still having a few children who are continually arriving to school **LATE**. **Please note our starting time is 8.35am.**

## YEAR 6 – APPLYING FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

**IMPORTANT!** - The deadline to apply for your Secondary School place is Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> October. There are still some parents who have not yet applied for a place at Wilmslow High School. Please let us know, by 'phoning the Office, if you are **NOT** planning to apply for a place at Wilmslow High School and we can let Admissions know.

## NEW RECEPTION – APPLYING FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL PLACE FROM SEPTEMBER 2020

If you require a place for your child in Reception from September 2020, please apply on line at <https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/admissions>. Applications need to be submitted by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

If you do not have web access call 0300 123 5012

**Reminder** – Parents of children with older siblings already at school **DO** need to apply for a Reception place in September 2020

## BEST WISHES

On Friday, the staff and pupils temporarily said goodbye to Mrs Rodrigues who has now begun her maternity leave. We are sure that you will join the staff and governors in wishing her and her family all the best as they prepare for their new arrival.



## SPORTS SUCCESSES SO FAR!

The school netball team has made a fantastic start to the season with a hat trick of wins at The Wilmslow Academy. On Wednesday last week, they played the first round of matches in the A division and won each game convincingly against Alderley Edge, Nether Alderley, The Wilmslow Academy and Gorse Bank. The team is made up of pupils from Years 5 and 6 some of whom played last year when LGPA were runners up in the Wilmslow league. In addition to this, the Year 5/6 Boys Football team is unbeaten in the league so far this season. A super start- well done to our teams!

## KEY STAGE TWO READING

If your child is in the Juniors, you will be aware that during a small part of September, the reading scheme books were temporarily unavailable to pupils. This was due to work being undertaken to reorganise our current books and add in a new, appealing and wide ranging collection of reading books bought over the summer holiday. As a result, the colour banding system has altered slightly, and there are now additional books at the higher end of the scheme to ensure that we can track the children and that they continue to make excellent progress as they develop their independent reading skills.

In the forthcoming weeks, we will be introducing a new Reading Assessment tool which will enable all staff to reassess each child's reading ability to ensure that each child is correctly aligned to the scheme based upon both their decoding, fluency and comprehension skills. Children will be matched to books which will be appropriate to their individual reading ability and understanding. Of course, children will continue to access our school library and choose books which they can read alongside their school reading scheme book. If you have any queries regarding this, please contact your child's teacher.

## RETURNING AFTER HALF TERM - IMPORTANT

Please note that we are returning to school after half term on **Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> November.**

Our next INSET Day will be on **Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

## PE KIT / EARRINGS

On Health and Safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery to school. The exceptions to this are TWO stud pierced ear-rings, however, we will ask the children who are wearing stud ear-rings to remove these during PE lessons.

**Plasters are NOT allowed to be used to cover the earrings during PE.**

**ALL children must be capable of removing their own earrings (adults will not do this for them!). This is to prevent them from causing injury to themselves and others.**

## PTA EVENTS

PTA Parents' Evening Cake Sale – Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> October and Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> October 3.10pm ('til sell out!)

*Any parents who would like to volunteer to help with the cake stall would be appreciated – please speak to Nicola Brown (PTA chairperson) or any other members of the PTA Committee. Alternatively, email [pta@laceygreen.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:pta@laceygreen.cheshire.sch.uk)*

The PTA Halloween disco is on Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> October.

*Flyers will be sent out in book bags soon.*

*Once again, parents are encouraged to volunteer their time to help with this fundraising event.*

**Infants: 5:00pm – 6:00pm (£3.00 includes goody bag)**

**Juniors: 6:30pm – 7:30pm (£2.00 + tuck shop)**

**NO Masks/ No Weapons**



**Bags 2 School: Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> November**  
*flyers to be sent out before half term.*