

Lower Kersal Community Primary School

A School Where Everyone Matters

IMPORTANT UPDATES

JULY 2018

'TASTES OF THE WORLD' DAY

We held our 'Tastes of the world day' on WEDNESDAY 27th June. This was a huge success. Thank you to all parents and carers who came to share this day with us.

OFSTED

The school was inspected by Ofsted in early June. The outcome of this inspection was that Lower Kersal Primary School is a GOOD school. The inspector was particularly impressed with your children, their attitude to learning and the way that they behave. The report for this inspection is available on our school website. If you would prefer a paper copy, please ask at reception where we will be happy to provide you with a copy of the report.

PARENT PAY

In September the school will be introducing Parent Pay. This is used by most Primary and Secondary schools in effort to make paying for things like school dinners easier for both parents and schools. Eventually you will not be able to pay in cash at the school for trips, dinner money, milk etc. Instead you will be able to pay online wherever and whenever you would like to, you can even pay via your mobile phone. If you do not have access to the internet you can also pay cash into a machine - the nearest machine is located in Bargain Booze. For the first half term school will continue to accept cash payments so that parents can set up their accounts and make the transition to a cashless system. After the October break school will be completely cashless. We hope that this will be more convenient for parents and staff.

UNIFORM

Please remember that we expect children to come to school in their uniform every day. They look very smart in them and it shows that they are part of the team here at Lower Kersal. Please also remember that make-up, open toed shoes and false nails are not appropriate on school days.

DINNER MONEY

Please remember that dinner money should be paid the week before your child has their dinner. **From September, we will not be able to provide your child(ren) with a school meal until all arrears have been cleared. This means that you will not be able to pay on the day if you still owe money from previous days.** As I am sure you will understand, school cannot afford to pay for school meals. You will have read in the press that school budgets have reduced, the more money we have to pay towards dinner debts,

the less money we have to spend on making your child's education the best it can be.

ATTENDANCE

<u>YEAR GROUP</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
Nursery	91.9	Needs to improve
Reception	93.6	Needs to improve
Year 1	92.7	Needs to improve
Year 2	96.9	ON TARGET! 😊
Year 3	92.6	Needs to improve
Year 4	88.7	Needs to improve
Year 4/5	94.8	Needs to improve
Year 5	93.5	Needs to improve
Year 6	94.4	Needs to improve

NEW PE KITS

In September school will be providing every child with a PE kit. This kit will consist of a white polo T-shirt, with the school logo on it and blue shorts. Pupils will still have to provide their own footwear. Pupils will not be able to bring these PE kits home. They will be washed in school and pupils will only wear the kit they have previously worn between washes. If you would like to purchase a school PE kit for your child that can be taken home, please enquire at the front office. We think that our pupils will look very smart in these kits and that it will raise the expectation of Sport here at LKPS.

END OF YEAR REPORTS

You will receive an end of year report for your child/children on MONDAY 16th JULY. We would be grateful to hear any comments about these reports on the parent/child page of the report. These pages can be returned to your child's class teacher or to the front office.

BIKES

If your child rides their bike to school and uses the bike shed to store it for the day, please make sure they have a suitable lock and place their bike in the shed appropriately. We cannot accept any responsibility for stolen or damaged bikes.

CLIMBING FRAME

I am aware that the children love the climbing frame but please refrain from allowing them to use it before and after school as we are unable to supervise it at these times and we do not want pupils to get hurt. School is not responsible for injuries that occur outside of school hours – help us keep your children safe.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

School will close on Thursday 19th July 2018 at 3:30pm for the Summer holidays. We will re-open to pupils on Wednesday 5th September 2018 at 8:55am. I hope you have a wonderful summer and I look forward to seeing you all again in September.

YEAR 6

It is the last few weeks of LKPS for our year 6 pupils – we wish them the best of luck for high school and hope they go on to achieve even more.

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