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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to our final half-term of the year, which every year, proves to be the busiest and most exciting for the children. It began on Monday morning with a fabulous DT challenge, 'Karen' from the NSPCC speaking to all the children and a yoga session for KS1. Apart from the weather, this looks like being a great time for all.

It is also only 8 days before our SUMMER FAIR and we hope the rain stops before then.

Design & Technology Challenge.

Design & Technology

This has been one of our most unusual challenges – we have a different DT challenge each year, that runs for one week during the summer term. On Monday, I read the challenge to the Year 6 children. In essence it was:

The whole school will take part in designing, making and evaluating products to promote healthy bodies, minds and attitudes.

Whilst deciding which products you would like each class to design, make and evaluate, you need to promote positive thoughts such as:

- *I get better every single day.*
- *I am proud of myself and my achievements.*
- *I am grateful for you.*

At the end of the week, we would like to share and celebrate everyone's work. These products may be individual, group or class collaborations.

Of course, it is all planned to enhance one of our main priorities this year (MP2) – 'Healthy Minds, Healthy Bodies, Healthy Attitudes.' The Year 6 children had to organise all the other

classes into making the products that they invented and they did it so well. Some of the products made were:

- Affirmation rocks
- Friendship bracelets
- Happiness journals
- Mindfulness pinwheels
- Healthy living board games
- Dream catchers
- Worry pets
- Healthy smoothies

They passed the Challenge by a 'healthy' margin.

Our thanks to Mrs Wilkinson, who organised the DT challenge this year.

NSPCC



Your child should have come home with a form from the NSPCC today. Again, with the intension of enhancing MP2, 'Healthy Minds, Healthy Bodies, Healthy Attitudes,' we began running a project with the NSPCC and a letter was sent home with the last Beacon, explaining it all. The project began with two assemblies on Monday. The theme of the assemblies was the theme of the project called, 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' and was presented to the children by Karen from the NSPCC. Karen openly remarked how well the children listened and, in particular, how they respected the views of other children who were answering questions. She will return to talk to them again in three weeks' time. The children were given a sticker to wear on Monday and we have decided to have an extra sponsored Freddie Fit session as our big enrichment day on 4th July. The children are bringing home an

activity / sponsor form (although collecting sponsor money is optional) today so that you can help them with the project.

Reporting of Cars Badly Parked

I find that I am writing again about the dangers and nuisance of cars moving and parking along Hazelbadge Road.

At the end of last half term, I was shown several photographs of cars parked inconsiderately near school. In particular, of the cars parked and left unattended at the beginning of the narrow road opposite the school main gates. Apart from being inconsiderate to those living further down that road, this is extremely dangerous as it will prevent emergency vehicles (or any vehicles) from accessing the houses along that road.

Neighbours of the school are rightly upset about this and have indicated that they will forward photographs of inconsiderately parked cars to the police.

Please do not park at all on the narrow road opposite the school or block the corners of the entrance.

Summer Fair
NEXT SATURDAY
22nd June 11.00 – 2.00pm



Although we have not had summer weather this week, next Saturday will be a glorious day for our summer fair. We will have all our usual stalls and games and musical performances. However, we have some wonderful new attractions: Never seen before at Lower Park....

THE BUBBLE MAN

And doing circus tricks workshops:

THE AMAZING STEPHEN

And the challenge of the

YEAR 6 STOCKS

And of course, our fabulous:

FACE PAINTER

Our tombola stalls will be brimming with bottles and chocolate and the home made cake stall will be very tasty.

A big feature of our school fairs are always the children's musical performances and, just so you can plan your time at the fair, here are the times that the children will be performing:

- 11.15 KS2 Choir
- 11.45 Swing Band
- 12.30 KS1 choir
- 1.15 Brass Band

YOUR Help Needed!!



We will only have a successful fair if parents can give a little of their time on Saturday to man a stall. So please look at the trimmings and put your name forward to man a stall for a short period of time at the fair. To do this, there will be a large chart in the playground all next week with times to put your name to.

However, you can also select a time by ringing the school office and they will write it in for you.

Parent support at the fair is a crucial part of the occasion, so please help.

Year Group Photographs



On Monday, our photographer will be in school to take photographs of the children in their year groups. Look out for the proofs with order form coming home next week.

Football Focus



The year 6 football team had a jam packed day on Wednesday as they took part in a tournament at Macheater City's Etihad Campus before playing a tough match against local rivals Vernon.

The team put in a great performance at the Etihad, unfortunately getting knocked out on penalties in the quarter final.

Despite losing against Vernon, the score definitely did not reflect the performance as the team passed the ball brilliantly and created some fantastic chances which on another day could have ended up in the back of the net.

Special mentions for Harry P who never stopped running all day, Jack G who was a rock in defence and Isaac R who made a great penalty save.

A great team performance from the year 5s resulted in their first away win of the season. 0:4 at half time finished with an exciting 3:5 with Danny H, Kamran M and Zac M all scoring. There was also excellent work from the defence capped off with some great saves by captain George F

Well done to all the children who took part.

Wednesday – Coach Access Needed to the School Gate.

On Wednesday, children in Year 4 are travelling by coach to Tattenhall. The coach taking them there needs access to the school gate to pick up luggage and the children. Please do not park on the near side of Hazelbadge Road in the morning, but it will be clear in the afternoon. Similarly, the coach returns during Friday afternoon and we ask that you do not park on the nearside during the afternoon if the cones are out.

Cheshire Council Planning Permission

It is likely that representatives from Cheshire East Council will visit Hazelbadge Road next Friday, 21st June to assess the site, access road etc prior to their meeting planned for 26th June. Hopefully, they will see the congestion at drop off time (8.45am) and collecting time (3.15pm). Unfortunately, two year groups will

be missing that day and so a true picture may not be seen.

Dressing Down Days

Thank you for the wonderful jars of sweets that the children brought into school today. They are very popular at the fair and we had several Agueros and Rashfords at playtime.



The final dressing down day is next Friday, 21st June, when we ask the children to bring in cakes (especially home-made) for our cake stall and chocolate items for the children's tombola in return for the very popular silly socks and crazy hair.



Middy Assistant Needed



Mrs Adley has now left our team to have her baby. We wish her all the best.

This will leave us short of staff to supervise the children during the lunchtime break. We are advertising locally but would VERY much like to receive applications from our parent body.

If you can manage just one or two days each week, it would be really appreciated by us all.

If you are interested in joining the team of midday assistants, please contact the school office to find out more about it. We are interested in recruiting perhaps more than one midday who could work part or all of the week.

Contact;

faye.peart@lowerpark.cheshire.sch.uk or ring the school office on 01625 872560

Dodgeball Back Sooner than We Thought!

We are pleased to inform you that our Dodgeball coach has become available again for the rest of this term. The session is on Fridays at 8.00am in the school hall before school starts and it is for children from Reception up to Year 2. Letters

were sent home this week with details of how to book a place.

Lower Park Lotto Winners



The lotto winners for the month of June are:

- 1st - George Steele
- 2nd - Phil Lynch
- 3rd - Derrol Waring

Advance Notice of Road Closure

We have been informed that the bridge over the train line on Woodford Road will be closed to traffic from 5th July until the middle of August.

Clearly, this may cause some congestion in the Poynton area. with a knock-on effect of delays in getting to school on time in the mornings and to arrive in time to pick up the children at the end of the day.

There is a need for everyone to make arrangements to address the delays that this will inevitably cause so that children still arrive on time.

Reminders



As part of one of our current main priorities, 'Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds and Healthy Attitudes' we have recently sent a reminder that the school operates a healthy snacks policy.

Children in EYFS and Key Stage 1 have access to fruit and vegetables, daily, for their snacks. However, we do ask that the children in Key Stage 2 bring in a healthy option, if they are not accessing the available snack bar at playtimes should they require a snack.

Fresh fruit and vegetables are always a great choice. But sometimes our children want other types of snacks, especially those in packages!

So to help parents out, here is a list of low calorie snacks suggested by the NHS programme 'Change for Life.' They suggest to look for '100kcal, two a day max'.

It's to help you make quick decisions on packaged snacks when faced with lots of choice. It's not about calorie counting for the children.

Here are some ideas they suggest on their website:

- Malt loaf slice
- Lower-fat, lower-sugar fromage frais (some flavours include strawberry, raspberry, banana, apricot)
- Fresh or tinned fruit salad
- Chopped vegetables and lower-fat hummus
- Plain rice cakes or crackers with lower-fat cheese
- Sugar-free jelly
- One crumpet
- One scotch pancake

Remember to always check the label as products may vary.

Here is also a link to the 'Change for Life' healthy lunch boxes page, where you can get great tips for interesting lunches if you want to vary things for your children's midday meals.

Please note that, although nuts are a healthy option for at home, **we are a nut free school.**

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes>

Letters this Week

- NSPCC form today
- NSPCC letter by email with beacon
- To KS1 & F re Dodgeball this half term

This Week in School

- The DT Challenge was set before the Year 6 children at the beginning of Monday morning.

- Karen from the NSPCC talked to the children about being safe.
- On Monday & Tuesday all children took part in yoga sessions
- On Tuesday, children from Year 1 began taking the phonics screening test.
- On Tuesday, the governors in the Environment & Community and the Pupil & Curriculum committees had their termly meeting.
- Yesterday, some children took part in the football tournament at MCFC.
- Today, the children celebrated the magnificent products they made during DT Challenge week.

Next Week in School

- On Monday, the photographer will be in school to take photographs of the children in year groups.
- On Tuesday, Cheshire Council Support Officers will deliver road safety talks to children in KS2.
- On Tuesday, our Y3&4 tennis team will compete in the final of the schools' tennis competition at Prestbury.
- There are two governors' meetings on Tuesday evening – Personnel at 6.30pm and Finance at 7.45pm.
- On Wednesday Year 4 children travel to Tattenhall for a three-day residential visit and Year 6 children will join other Year 6 children from Poynton in a residential visit to Menai.

After-school activities taking place – week beginning Monday 17th June 2019						
	<i>On or Off?</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Yr Group</i>	<i>Venue</i>	<i>Organiser</i>
Mon	ON	Tennis	8.00 – 8.45	KS2	Outside or Hall	Mr Cunha / Mr Atherfold
	ON	Drama club	3.30 – 5.00	KS2	Hall	Generate Theatre Arts Group
Tues	ON	Swing Band	8.00 – 8.50	KS2	Hall	Mr Coulson
	OFF	Computing Club	3.15 – 4.15	Year 2	Miss Cork's class	Miss Cork
	ON	Football Squad	3.15-4.15	Y5&6	Outside	Mr Cunha
	ON	Netball	3.15 – 4.00	Y5 & 6	Outside	Mrs Chadwick
Weds	OFF	Choir	8.15 – 8.50	Y3 – Y6	Hall	Mrs Mellor
	ON	KS1 Choir	8.15 – 8.50	F & KS1	Mrs Cunha's class	Mrs Cunha
	ON	Football	3.45 – 4.15	KS1 & 2	Hall / outside	Les Clitheroe
	ON	Karate	4.45-5.45	KS2	KS2	Mr Cunha / Mr Ferris
Thurs	ON	Tennis	8.00 – 8.45	F&KS1	Outside or Hall	Mrs Cunha / Mr Atherfold
	OFF (Menai)	Swing Band	3.15 – 4.20	KS2	Hall	Mr Coulson
Fri	ON	Dodgeball	8.00 – 8.45	KS1 & F	Hall	Miss Jones
	ON	Multi Sports	3.30 – 4.30	Y1 - Y4	Hall	Mr Cunha
	ON	Brass Band	3.15-4.00	KS2	Hall	Mr Longson

Diary Dates for the Summer Term 2019

Date	Event
Mon 17 June	Year Group photographs
Tues 18	Personnel & Finance Govs 6.00pm
Tues 18	Finance Govs at 7.45pm
Weds 19 - 21	Y4 to Tattenhall visit
Weds 19 - 21	Y6 to Menai visit
Thurs 20	7.30pm PTA
Fri 21	Dressing Down Day – Cakes, chocolate and biscuits / silly socks and mad hair
SAT 22	Summer Fair 11.00 – 2.00
Mon 24	NSPCC workshops throughout the day
Mon 24	Parent Workshops NSPCC 2.15 – 3.15pm TBC
Mon 24	6.30pm Chairs of Govs & 7.00 Full Govs' meeting
Weds 26	Year 6 Swimming Assessment - afternoon
Weds 26	Singing Workshop for LKS2 at 1.30pm in hall
Thurs 4 July	Freddy Fit Day for NSPCC
THURS 4	Disco KS1 & FS 6.00 / KS2 – 7.15pm
Fri 5	Families Day pm
Mon 8	Year 6 to PHS Induction Day
Thurs 11	New Cabaret Evening at Poynton High School
Fri 12	Sports Day 1st try
Fri 12	Reports to Parents
Weds 17	5.30 – 7.30 Open Evening
Weds 17	7.30pm Music Concert
Fri 19	Reserved in case of rearranged Sports Day
Mon or Tues 22/3	9.00am Children to new classes TBC
Tues 23	Bikeability Y4 & 6
Tues 23	7.15pm Year 6 Prom
Weds 24	Bikeability Y4 & 6
Fri 26	Leavers' Service at 10.00am
Fri 26	School closes for summer hols
Mon 2 September	INSET Day
Tues 3	School Opens for Autumn Term

*Further activities are being planned for this term and will be added to the list above
Every effort will be made not to change dates however, if necessary any changes/ additions are highlighted.
TBC means To be confirmed. TBF means To be Finalised.*

School Calendar Dates 2018 – 2019

SCHOOL CLOSURES

SCHOOL OPENS

Summer 2019

Friday 26th July

INSET DAYS: Monday 29th July 2019, Tuesday 30th July 2019

School Calendar Dates 2019 – 2020

SCHOOL CLOSES

Autumn Half Term	Friday 25th October
Christmas 2019/20	Friday 20th December
Spring Half Term 2020	Friday 14th February
Easter 2020	Friday 3rd April
May Day 2020	Monday 4th May
Summer Half Term 2020	Friday 22nd May
Summer 2020	Wednesday 22nd July

SCHOOL OPENS

Tuesday 3rd September
Tuesday 5th November
Monday 6th January 2020
Monday 24th February
Monday 20th April
Monday 8th June

INSET DAYS: Monday 2nd September 2019, Monday 4th November 2019, Thursday 23rd, Friday 24th and Monday 27th July 2020

If you would like to join our email distribution list and receive the Lower Park Beacon by email, you need to inform me of your email address. Your email address will not appear when the Beacon is delivered and it is protected by the data protection policy here in school. So why not join our growing number of parents receiving email Beacons? Just write to me via email. My email address is: head@lowerpark.cheshire.sch.uk

The Lower Park Beacon is also available to read on our School Website at: www.lowerpark.cheshire.sch.uk

Kind regards Ian G Coulson and the Staff at Lower Park

My School Lunch Menu

Week commencing 17th June 2019

School Meals are free for Reception & KS1 and £2.35 for a larger portion in KS2

Please pay online at www.schoolmoney.co.uk

Please choose one item from each section and remember to indicate which filling you would like for your sandwich/potato

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Name	Name	Name	Name	Name
Organic Beef Burger in a Burger Bun & Jacket Wedges	Chicken Korma & Rice	Beef Spaghetti Bolognese	(v) Cheese, Onion & Potato Pie	Hunters Chicken with Chips
Quorn Burger in a Burger Bun & Jacket Wedges (v)	Quorn & Vegetables Stir Fry Noodles (v)	(v) Cheese Ploughman's Salad	(v) Pasta Bake Italienne	Vinegar Infused Fish Goujons with Chips
Cheesy Cauliflower Pasta Bake (v)	Jacket Potato with Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	Jacket Potato with Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	Jacket Potato with Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	Jacket Potato with Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>
Jacket Potato with (v)Beans <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Beans <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Beans <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Beans <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Beans <input type="checkbox"/>
(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>
Jacket Potato with Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	Sandwich filled with Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	Wrap filled with Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	Baguettes filled with Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	Sandwich filled with Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>
(v)Beans <input type="checkbox"/>	Ham <input type="checkbox"/>	Ham <input type="checkbox"/>	Ham <input type="checkbox"/>	Ham <input type="checkbox"/>
(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>		(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>
Baguette filled with Turkey <input type="checkbox"/>	Cauliflower, Carrots, Salad Bar	Peas, Sweetcorn Salad Bar	Mixed Vegetables, Salad Bar	Baked Beans, Carrots, Salad Bar
(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	Tropical Traybake	Vanilla Sponge with Fruit Sauce	Ginger Biscuit	Frozen Yoghurt
Broccoli Sweetcorn, Salad Bar	Seasonal Fruit Platter	Seasonal Fruit Platter	Seasonal Fruit Platter	Ice-Cream
Chocolate Oatie Cookie with Fruit Chunk	Yoghurt		Yoghurt	Seasonal Fruit Platter
Seasonal Fruit Platter				

Available daily - Milk, Fruit Juice, Bread Basket. Accompaniments will be available.

All fish products are sourced from sustainable fisheries. Fresh meat supplied by local butchers.

Potatoes, vegetables and milk are sourced locally when in season.