



Lower Park  
School

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## Lower Park Beacon

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Dear Parents,

Sports Day  
Next Friday - 12<sup>th</sup> July



Our sports day takes place next Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 9.15am for KS2 and KS1 & FS sports at 1.30pm on the same day. Parents are welcome to watch. Hopefully, we will have a sunny day on Friday, so please apply sun cream to your children before they come to school.

**In KS2**, the children compete in their new house teams - and each house has a colour. Children in KS2 should come to school dressed ready for the sports (not in school uniform). Please send in an item of their clothing for them to wear that corresponds to their team colour. The team colours are:

Walliams - Blue  
Wilson - Black  
Rowling - Yellow  
Donaldson - Red  
Blyton - Green  
Dahl - White

**In KS1 & FS**, parents are invited to follow the children to watch all the activities. As mentioned in the summer newsletter, the children will come in school uniform and change into their PE shorts and coloured t-shirt for the afternoon. Please send in a coloured t-shirt for your child to wear in the colour of their house (as above).

We ask parents to come onto the field by walking through the staff car park. Please come along and enjoy the fun and games.

Sports Day Weather Alert

Next Friday will be our first attempt at having sports day. For it to run, we

need the school field to be dry and if we can possibly run it, we will. However, the health and safety of the children is a priority and if it has rained and the field is wet, we will postpone and try again the following Friday.

A decision on whether to proceed will be made by 7.30am on Friday morning and parents will be sent a text - please look out for it.

An Evening with Barbara Nice



An Evening with  
Mrs Barbara Nice

with support from **Headband**  
Friday September 27<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm at  
Poynton Workmen's Club, Park  
Lane, Poynton

Tickets available in advance from the school office from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019 priced at £15 each. Only 150 seats - expecting a sell-out!

Stockport housewife, regular at the Edinburgh Festival, and

**Star of Britain's Got Talent** - Mrs Barbara Nice is coming to Poynton! For one night only, Barbara is bringing comedy and fun to 'The Workies' with all proceeds going to Lower Park School PTA!

Music from the **Headband**, playing songs to sing and dance to, ranging from The Beatles to Ed Sheeran.

**A night of comedy and dancing not to be missed!**

Musical Soiree  
Next Thursday at 7.00pm



The school swing band and KS2 choir are performing together at Poynton High School next Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> July. They will be joined by two older musical groups, the High School Big Band and the Manchester Swing Band (mainly adults).

It will be a musical feast of music and song.

All parents are invited to attend and there is no charge or ticket needed. Come along and support our children in this new event.

Woodbank Park Athletics



On Wednesday, 21 children represented the school at the annual Woodbank Athletics Competition. It was a great evening in which the children worked together in 17 different events. From the 80m sprint to the standing triple jump, there were excellent examples of determination and teamwork with the children all encouraging each other to do their best. Special mentions must go to Charlie K for 150m sprint, the year 5 girls relay team: Jessie G, Sophie F, Leah P and Isla W, the mixed relay team: George F, Cian T, Isla W and Sophie F who all came 2nd in their respective heats and Harry P who won the girls Rounders Ball throw by a country mile! Once again the children were

amazing representatives of the school and many thanks to all the parents for their support in transporting the team to the event.

### Change of Bank Holiday Date And Holidays in Term Time

The date of the May Bank Holiday has been changed in 2020. It is now Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

I am increasingly concerned about parents taking their children for a holiday in term time. The school's policy is not to authorise any holiday in term time. Authorised absence will only be for exceptional reasons but holidays do not fall into that category. Parents who do take children on holiday in term time will be subject to fines by the Local Authority. Please have this in mind when planning your May 2020 bank holiday weekend.

Attendance in school is vital for the children to receive their full curriculum entitlement.

For clarification, if parents wish for their child to be absent, an email request must be sent to the headteacher, stating reasons.

### Discos

Many thanks to all who came to the disco last night - our first on a Thursday. It was very well attended and our new reception children came for the first time. Our DJ (and his dog) were particularly 'on-form!' Thank you to all the helpers.

### Commendation Awards

Commendation Awards are presented to children on Mondays in assembly. The staff, including midday assistants, nominate children (one from each class and one from the midday assistants) each week and they receive a commendation badge. They also receive a certificate which is displayed on the internal noticeboard outside my room. After a week, the certificates are given to the children to bring home to keep. They are used to promote exceptional attitude, approach to work, exceptional kindness, behaviour, helpfulness, consideration and attitude. This week, the theme for the commendation awards was for a variety of reasons.



This week's winners were:

William H, Jamie S, Leo B, Finn M, Harrison G, Jacob A, Amelia G, Sophie F, Isla O and Joseph H. Well done to all those children.

### Drama Club on Mondays

We are coming to the end of the drama club for a while because Mr Betton begins a new course in September and cannot run the club. However, because he enjoys coming to Lower Park, he will be running a drama week in the Easter or Whit Holiday in 2020.

The club has been popular and well-attended, however he tells us that he 'I'll be back' in the future.

### Cricket Result



After finishing second in a recent Kwik Cricket tournament at Macclesfield Cricket Club, we were invited back to take part in the finals today. The 8 children who took part represented the team fantastically. Gaurav B getting a hat trick of wickets in his first over, Kamran M performing an amazing one-handed catch on the boundary and George F scoring 10 important runs in the final over with a 6 and a 4 to win one of the closely fought matches among some of the highlights. There was a fantastic atmosphere in the summer sun and it was a great afternoon of sport. Well done to all the children who took part.

### Karate Club

Paul Ferris has been running a Karate club on Wednesday evenings in school and would like to know how many children would want to join the club in September. He needs sufficient regular attenders to make it viable with the intention of working towards winning the various coloured belts in the sport. We already have a child with a junior black belt in school, who has been taught by him and Paul would love to bring on more children towards that standard.



Please inform the office if you would like your child to join the club in September. It runs from 4.45 to 5.45pm on Wednesdays.

### Teddy Bears' Picnic



It was a lovely sight at lunchtime on Tuesday, as the children sat around the trees outside the rear of the hall to eat their picnic lunches. Every child should have a picnic with their teddy! There was a huge range of teddies with children from Reception to Year 6 all bringing them in. Some teddies were bigger than the children!!

### Reminders

Order Now

The photographs of the children's year groups are now on display in the entrance hall. To order a copy please complete and return the form sent with the proof by 9.00am on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July

### One More Midday Assistant Still Needed



We still need other midday assistants for September.

Please consider joining the team of midday assistants, even for one or two days to help us to avoid a crisis at lunchtimes.

If you are willing to 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](mailto:faye.peart@lowerpark.cheshire.sch.uk) or ring the school office on 01625 872560

### Poynton Summer Fest

Poynton Summerfest takes place on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July. The Hollies will be running a children's tombola stall at the

Summerfest this year and are looking for donations of new/nearly new toys, games, jigsaws etc (sorry, we are not able to take soft toys). These can be dropped off at Snapes in Poynton village or brought into preschool. Also if anyone is able to offer help on the day it would be much appreciated.

Let's hope the sun shines. Debbie

#### Letters this Week

- To Year 6 – email reminder from PHS re induction day

#### This Week in School

- In community assembly on Monday, Poynton Library representatives introduced the children to this year's reading challenge. There is a flyer attached to this Beacon.

- Puberty talks for children in Years 5 and 6 took place on Monday.
- On Tuesday, the children enjoyed a Teddy Bears Picnic - see above
- On Wednesday, children from Lower Park represented the school in an athletics meeting at Woodbank Park in Stockport – see item above.
- Freddy Fit was in school yesterday and took every child in the school for a music and comedy fitness session. The children love to take part.
- Freddy Fit was followed by the end of term discos yesterday evening. They were well attended and our new intake children joined us for the first time.

- On Monday, the Year 6 children will spend the day at Poynton High School for their induction day
- On Monday, the NSPCC (Karen) will return to talk to the children in assembly.
- Photo orders need to be in by 9.00am on Wednesday.
- On Thursday, the swing band and choir will be rehearsing at Poynton High School in preparation for their concert on Thursday evening.
- Weather permitting, we will have our sports day on Friday - see above.

#### Next Week in School

#### After-school activities taking place – week beginning Monday 1st July 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
	TBC	Football Squad	3.15-4.15	Y5&6	Outside	Mr Cunha
	ON last this term	Netball	3.15 – 4.00	Y5 & 6	Outside	Mrs Chadwick
Weds	ON	Choir	8.15 – 8.50	Y3 – Y6	Hall	Mrs Mellor
	OFF	KS1 Choir	8.15 – 8.50	F & KS1	Mrs Cunha's class	Mrs Cunha
	ON	Football	3.45 – 4.45	KS1 & 2	Hall / outside	Les Clitheroe
	OFF	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 (concert at PHS)	Swing Band	3.15 – 4.20	KS2	Hall	Mr Coulson
Fri	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 8	Year 6 to PHS Induction Day
Thurs 11	New Cabaret Evening at Poynton High School 7.00pm
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 in the hall
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 CLOSES

### SCHOOL OPENS

Summer 2019

Friday 26th July

INSET DAYS: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2019, Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2019

## School Calendar Dates 2019 – 2020

### SCHOOL CLOSES

### SCHOOL OPENS

Autumn Half Term

Friday 25th October

Tuesday 3rd September

Christmas 2019/20

Friday 20th December

Tuesday 5th November

Spring Half Term 2020

Friday 14th February

Monday 6th January 2020

Easter 2020

Friday 3rd April

Monday 24th February

May Day 2020

Friday 8th May

Monday 20th April

Summer Half Term 2020

Friday 22nd May

Monday 8th June

Summer 2020

Wednesday 22nd July

INSET DAYS: Monday 2nd September 2019, Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019, Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>, Friday 24<sup>th</sup> and Monday 27<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:head@lowerpark.cheshire.sch.uk)**  
*The Lower Park Beacon is also available to read on our School Website at: [www.lowerpark.cheshire.sch.uk](http://www.lowerpark.cheshire.sch.uk)*

**Kind regards Ian G Coulson and the Staff at Lower Park**

## My School Lunch Menu

Week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> July 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](http://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.