

# Lower Park News 22nd September 2023



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The winning house is shared both Blue and Yellow House and they wear their own clothes to school on Monday.

## Commendation Awards

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*This is awarded by the class teacher to children who have been demonstrating the school values.  
Congratulations go to:*

*Austin F*

*Leah D*

*Lucy H*

*Chloe W*

*Bella Mc*

*Orla K*

*Daisy A*

*Rory M*

*Eddie M*

*Reya S*

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## Reception

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*In Reception this week we have been looking at the story 'Peace at Last' and talking about bedtime and the things that we can see and hear at night. The children have started to learn their first letter sounds in phonics and how to write each letter. We have been so impressed with the children's effort in their early writing.*

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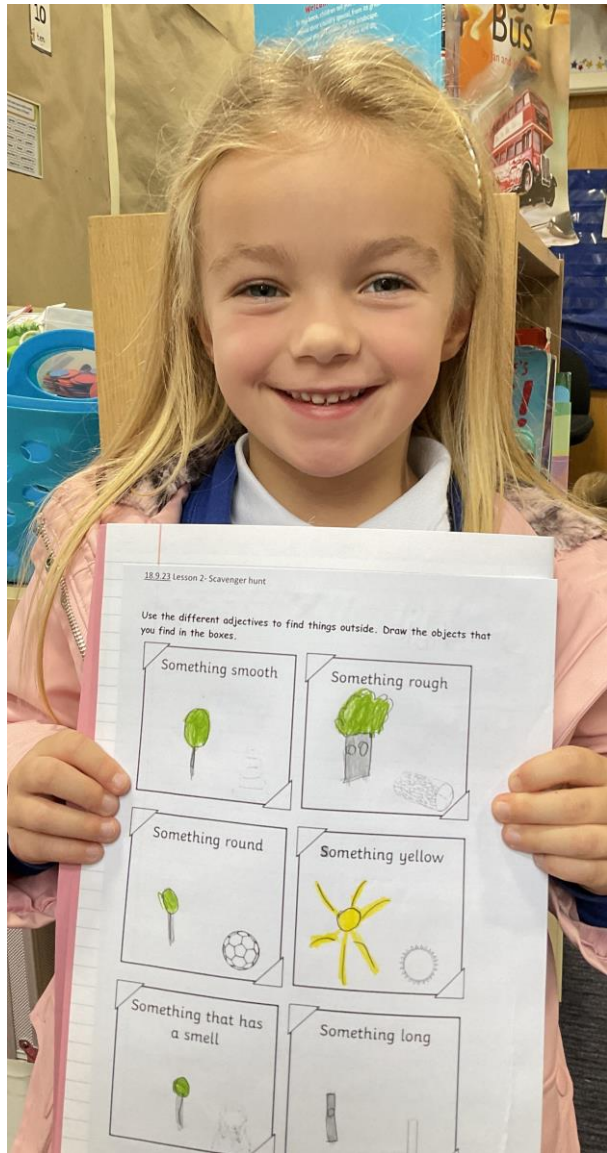


## KS1

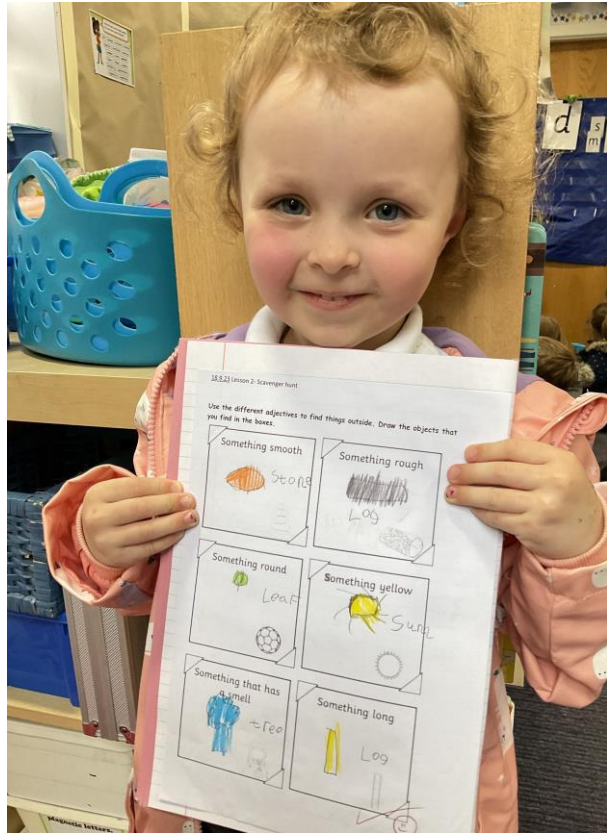
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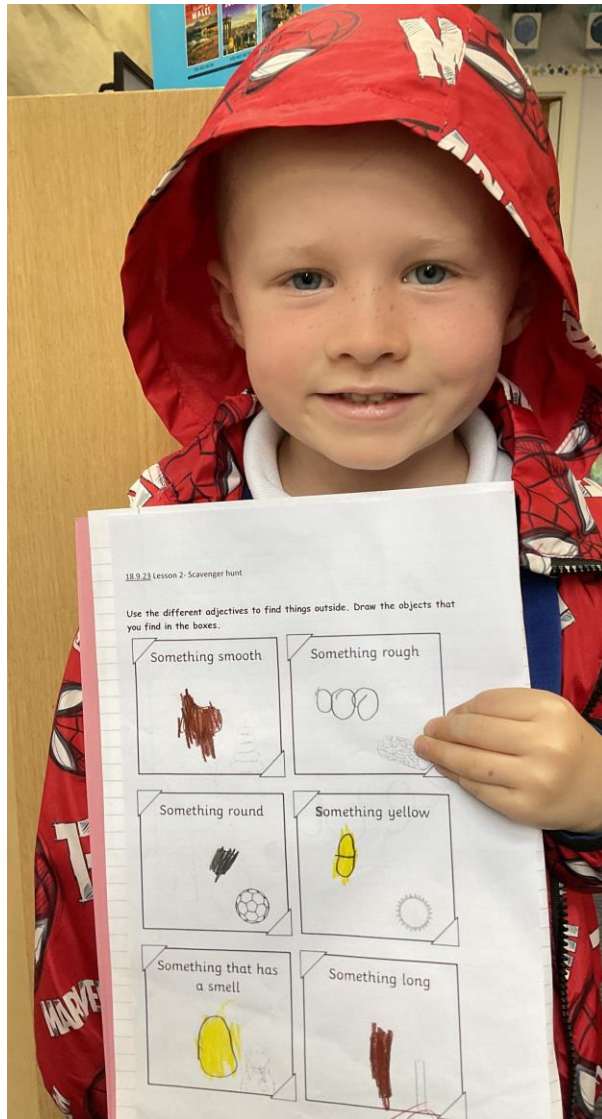
*In Key Stage One this week we have enjoyed many activities. In Science, we explored the importance of exercise. We all completed a Joe Wicks workout and talked about how we felt after exercise. Lots of us enjoyed the activity and felt happy! In RE we went on a nature scavenger hunt in the playground and wild area. In the coming weeks we will look at who Christians believe made nature and our world and we will ask the question, 'Does God want Christians to look after our world?'. We also started our new PSHE scheme this week and we discussed who we can talk to if we have a worry or concern. The children thought of lots of trusted adults and family members. We were very impressed.*

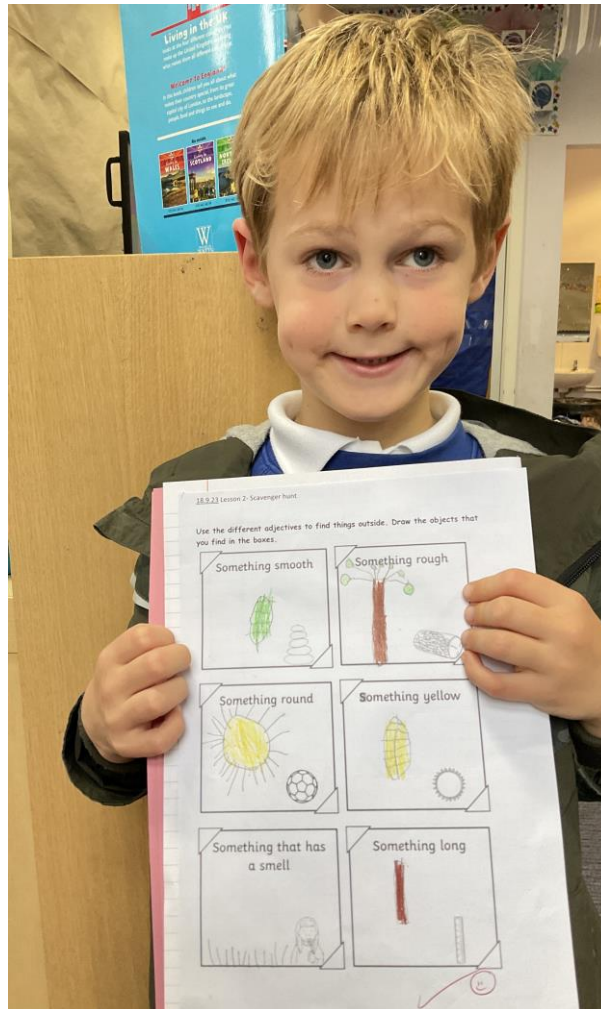
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## LKS2

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*This week in LKS2 we have been finding out all about Europe. In Geography lessons we started by recapping our previous learning by revising the continents. That was followed the next lesson with some work identifying the different countries of the continent. There are 46 in total – how many do you think you would be able to name? Once we had learnt more about the countries, we then looked at the capital cities. Did you know that the capital city of Luxembourg is Luxembourg City? We learnt more about these capitals by studying our class atlases whilst playing a game on the World Geography Games website. Our final sessions have been all about physical features found in Europe. We have looked at the key mountain ranges and rivers, learning which countries these are found in. Finally, we created our own book, using the Book Creator app on the ipads, to explain more about these geographical features.*

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## UKS2

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*In DT, we have begun our work on 'seasonality'. There was no better to start our topic than visiting our school vegetable patch. Whilst there, we discussed what fruit and vegetables were in season and harvested what the school had grown. Look out for what we 'cook up' next!*

*In science, the circulatory system has been our topic. We have discussed the importance of the heart and have created our own representations. We are building on our LKS2 knowledge of the digestive system and how nutrients are absorbed into the blood and transported around the body.*

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## Parent Consultation on PSHE and RSE

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*As we begin another academic year at Lower Park, we're pleased to share some exciting updates about our Personal, Social, Health, and Economic (PSHE) education. PSHE is crucial in nurturing well-rounded individuals, and we're dedicated to enhancing this aspect of our curriculum. We're implementing "1 Decision," a new and approved PSHE association scheme that builds upon our strong foundations and takes our children's learning to the next level.*

*Our current PSHE education at Lower Park is something we take pride in. Over the years, our children have benefited from a comprehensive and enriching curriculum covering emotional well-being, healthy relationships, online safety, and Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) since 2020. Whilst our existing PSHE program has been successful in instilling essential life skills and values in our children, we believe in staying updated with the changing world. To ensure our children are well-prepared to face challenges, we are introducing the "1 Decision" PSHE scheme, which promises to further develop their essential life skills.*

*The 1 Decision scheme will complement our existing school curriculum by covering crucial topics for personal development and well-being. It aims to reinforce the Lower Park Values, create a supportive learning environment, and foster a strong sense of community within the school.*

**Your Input Matters!** *At Lower Park, we highly value input from our school community. Just like when RSE became a statutory requirement in 2020, we want to continue this collaborative process with the introduction of 1 Decision scheme. To help you understand the 1 Decision scheme better, we encourage you to explore the 1 Decision Parent & Carer Zone, where you'll find examples of the resources it offers.*

<https://www.1decision.co.uk/resources/parent-carer-zone>

*We invite interested parents and carers to ask any questions, share your views and collaborate with our PSHE lead, Joanne Jones, on Wednesday 4th October at 4.30pm. To express your interest, please fill out the short Google form provided here or contact the school office directly.*

[PSHE/RSE Meeting](#)

*Thank you for your ongoing support of Lower Park. Together, we can ensure that our children receive the best possible education and personal development, empowering them to thrive in an ever-changing world. For any questions or further information, please feel free to get in touch with us.*

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## New clubs launch

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*Following the parents feedback in our last survey, we have added a number of new clubs for KS1 to start in Autumn 2.*

***KS1 choir** - Monday morning 8:15 ( just turn up from next Monday)*

***Rattle n Roll** - ON THE STAGE CLUB: Mermaids and Pirates! For children in Reception – Year 2 Friday 3:20 details see flyer attached to email*

***KS1 French club** Thursday 3:20 details see flyer attached to email*

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## Parents Evening

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*Tuesday 10th October and Wednesday 11th October*

*You will receive a notification to book via School Spider. The booking service will open on Monday 25th September at 6:30 pm. If you would prefer your meeting virtually, once you have booked your slot, please contact the office or your teacher directly.*

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## Staffing

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*Mr Malpas and his wife, Helen Malpas make a wonderful contribution to our school. As many of you will know, Mr Malpas has tried to retire before on a couple of occasions, but always ends up back with us. Mr Malpas won't mind me sharing how much he enjoys his job as the rewards from the children are endless. However, it is now time for Mr Malpas to have a more leisurely start to his day and enjoy his retirement and morning cuppa. Mr Malpas will stay in post until Christmas and in the meantime, we hope to appoint someone who loves to be in a school environment with all the variety that brings. Please look out for the vacancy coming soon on our school website for more details and share this with friends and family.*

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### Dates for the diary



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### *Diary dates for Autumn 2023*

*Thursday 28th September - European Languages Day workshops - ALL CHILDREN TO WEAR RED,  
WHITE OR BLUE*

*Tuesday 3rd October - Wonderful world workshop for RE (y2)*

*Wednesday 4th October at 4.30pm RSE/ PHSE consultation*

*Thursday 5th October - Poynton High School Open Evening*

*Thursday 5th October - EYFS new intake parent meeting 7pm*

*Tuesday 10th October and Wednesday 11th October - Parents evening*

*Friday 21st October - School closes for Half Term*

*Monday 30th October – INSET*

*Tuesday 31st October – Swimming pool at school for two weeks*

*Wednesday 1st November - Sibling and individual photos*

*3rd November - Y4 football festival*

*Thursday 16th November - RE workshop for KS2*

*13th - 17th November - Anti-bullying Week*

*21st and 23rd November - Great fire workshop KS1*

*Monday 11th December - KS1 dress rehearsal pm*

*Wednesday 13th December - KS1 Nativity afternoon*

*Thursday 14th December - KS1 Nativity evening*

*December 15th - Y5 football festival*

*w/c 18th December – KS2 carol concert – tbc*

*Monday 18th December – KS2 panto at Buxton and KS1 travelling panto*

*Thursday 21st December - Christmas Parties, Christmas Dinner & Talent Show*

*Friday 22nd December      School closes at 3.20 for Christmas holiday*

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Community noticeboard

**Calling ALL Year 3-13**  
**Singers, Brass, Woodwind & String Players**

*Mondays 5-7pm*

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**Poynton High School**  
and Performing Arts College

**Main School Open Evening**

Thursday 5th October 2023  
5.30pm – 8.30pm  
Head Teacher Presentations – 6.15pm to 6.45pm &  
7.30pm to 8.00pm

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## Mental Health First Aid for parents and carers

### Mental Health First Aid

For parents and carers  
of young people aged 11-18.

Saturday 16th and 23rd September,  
9am - 5pm,  
at Poynton Civic Hall.

For all enquiries or to book a place, email:  
[parenting@justdropin.co.uk](mailto:parenting@justdropin.co.uk)



- The course will give an understanding of the issues that relate to a young people's mental health and teach practical skills including being able to spot the signs and symptoms of mental health issues.
- The sessions are led by a qualified MHFA trainer from Just Drop-In, over two Saturday sessions on the 16th and 23rd September, 9am – 5pm at Poynton Civic Hall.
- Attendees will need to attend both sessions and will receive a copy of the MHFA manual which is a great source of information.

Cllr Hayley Whitaker Poynton Town Council's Deputy Mayor, as part of fund raising for her Poynton Youth Mental Health Fund during her term as Mayor, is pleased to have worked with Just Drop-In and Poynton Town Council to provide this course.



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[WWW.WILMSLOW-LACROSSE.CO.UK](http://WWW.WILMSLOW-LACROSSE.CO.UK)



## JUNIOR TRAINING

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THURSDAY EVENING  
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- All abilities welcome



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