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Lower Park School

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The winning house this week is Red House who may wear their own clothes to school on Monday.

Christmas Fair timings...

Christmas Fair, Saturday 30th November 12 - 3pm

Timings for the day

- *12:00 Doors open*
 - *12:30 Choir performance*
 - *13:00 Turkey bingo (round 1)*
 - *14:00 Turkey bingo (round 2)*
 - *14:30 Raffle draw*
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*****PTA Update*****

As we head into the Christmas Fair this weekend, just a quick update from us with a thank you, and a fundraising update.

THANK YOU

Thank you so much for all your contributions over the last few Fridays, and thanks also to the many of you who've signed up to help on Saturday, or have already helped in the run up to the Fair.

FUNDRAISING

We know that coming along on Saturday will result in your pockets being lightened of a few pennies and pounds, so we wanted to update you on where that money will be going.

At our last meeting, we heard more about the fantastic plans the School has for upgrading the playground areas later this school year. The long term plans include the creation of an all-weather pitch, new play equipment , a sensory area, improved surfaces and seating areas. Work will start before Christmas for the Early Years playground and the next priority will be the new multi use astro pitch.

So, all funds raised on Saturday will be going towards these considerable updates. Supporting the School in this way means that they won't need to dip quite so much into their own funds, so that they can continue to prioritise all the other projects, activities and facilities they put in place for our children. As School budgets are so tight, every penny really does count.

So, we look forward to seeing you on Saturday and hope you have a fantastic time. Please be assured that any money you do spend is going to be spent very wisely.

Please see below for more information about the exciting plans.



Outdoor area exciting developments

We are excited to share our long term plans for the development of the outside area.

*Phase 1 - development to the Early Years outdoor area and new buddy bench for all children
(December 24/ January 25)*

Phase 2 - development of new MUGA pitch (Summer 25)

Phase 3 - development of main playground including sensory tunnel and improved surface and markings (Autumn 25)

The PTA are currently fundraising for the multi surface pitch and a sensory tunnel. We are well on our way and fundraising activities like the Christmas Fair are vital.

Please support our bid for additional grant funding by completing the survey. The more support, the stronger the bid. Thank you

<https://forms.gle/t3QFifQpB6FA9eZt5>

Reception 2025

Remember to apply for your reception place if you have a younger child due to start in September 2025. The deadline is 15th January 2025 .

Commendation Awards

Lower Park Value Focus: Responsible

Max LM

Alex W

Yasmin S

Charlotte B

Lottie B

Eleanor G

Jasmin A

Kasper M

Finley B

Daisy A

Seb P

Jakob B

Reuben R

Rory M

Star Writer Award

Vladimir B

Toby

Benji

Helena P

Mia L

April M

James W

Ava M

Alice K

James W

Reception

We have continued with our pirate theme in Reception and we've enjoyed singing sea shanties and reciting a pirate poem in literacy. Outdoors we've played 'I Spy Matey' and used phonics clues to find some pirate pictures. We've been making binoculars in the creative area to help us with our spying.







KS1

The children have been really enjoying maths this half term. Year 1 and 2 have both been looking at addition and subtraction, using practical resources to solve tricky number problems. They have started a new topic this week, shape. They have looked at recognising 2D and 3D shapes and Year 2 have been extending their learning by looking at counting sides and vertices of 2D shapes.

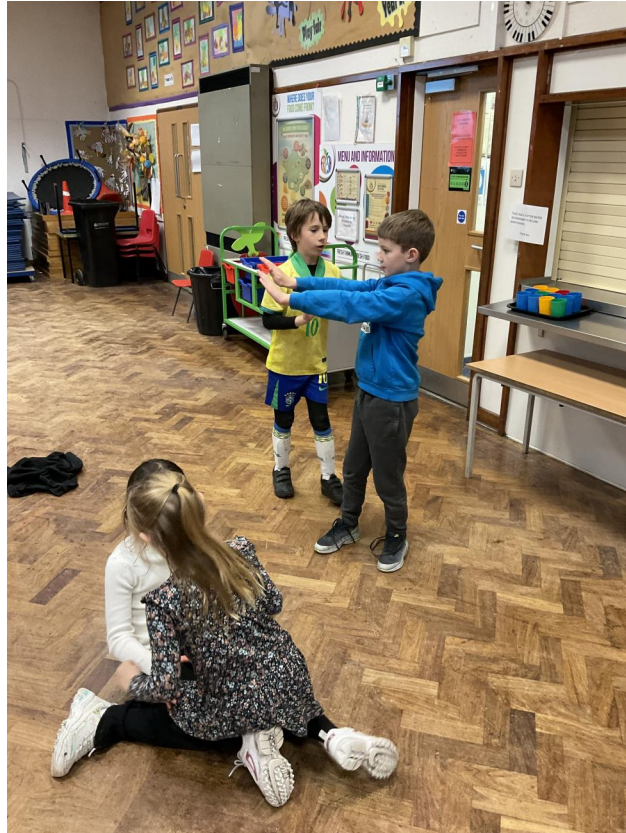




LKS2

This week in PE the children have been continuing to develop their own dance moves. Working in a group, they have the theme of machines and some Kraftwerk style music to inspire them into

creating a routine. We discussed how machines are made up of different parts that do the same thing over and over again, unless something goes wrong. The dances the children created were brilliant and we will continue to develop these over the coming weeks. We also got very distracted during netball outside by the sight of a wonderful rainbow arcing right across the sky.









UKS2

Years 5 & 6 had a wonderful visit to St. George's Church to experience the Christmas trail. Walking through the story of Jesus' birth, they stepped back in time; each scene was thoughtfully crafted to bring the narrative to life. The children participated enthusiastically and showed great interest. It was a reflective and engaging way to enhance our RE curriculum and celebrate the start of the Christmas season. Many thanks to all involved at the church for hosting us.









The Twinkly Nativity

Application for tickets are now closed and we will let you know your allocation next week.

We will do our best to provide most costumes, but there might be the odd item that we would ask you to send in from home (see class dojo).

*The shows will take place on the afternoon of **Wednesday 11th December** (arrive at school in plenty of time for a 1:45pm start).*

*The evening show will take place on **Thursday 12th December**. We would ask that participating children are returned to school by 6pm, so they can get changed into costumes, ready for a 6.30pm start.*

Bake Sale - Tuesday 26th November

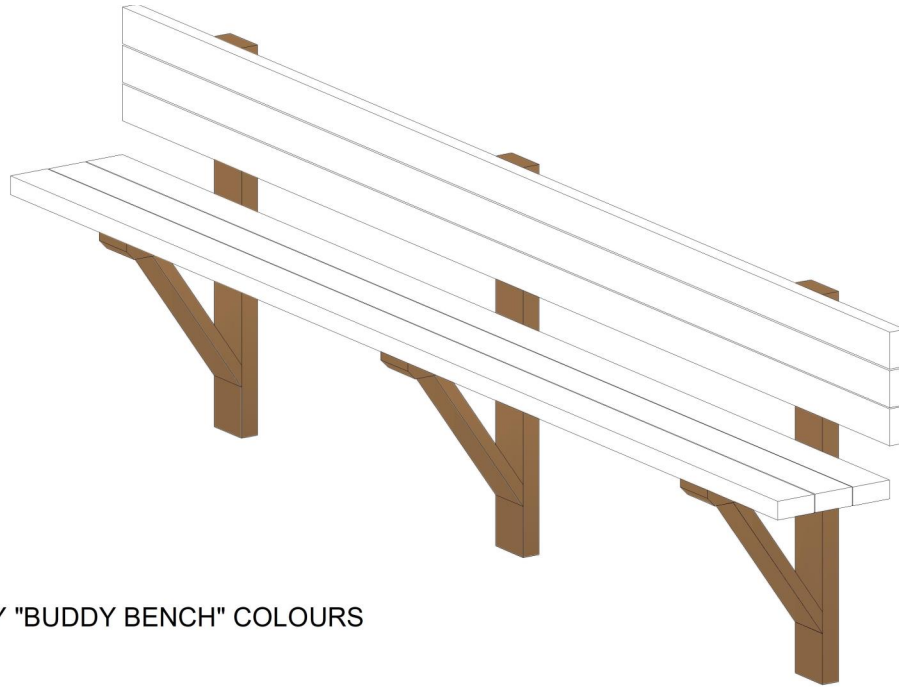
Thank you for your donations. And well done to the Year 4 team who raised £200!

Buddy Bench competition

Our friends, Poynton Men In Sheds, have kindly volunteered to make us a new buddy bench for the main playground.

*There is an opportunity for you to design the colour scheme so that it is friendly and welcoming.
Please use the sketch below for your designs or ask your class teacher for a paper copy.*

Designs to be with Mrs Lomas by Monday 16th December. Good luck!



MY "BUDDY BENCH" COLOURS

Name: _____

PTA Christmas Wreath Night

Great news, ticket prices are being held at £40, don't miss out!

Lower Park School



Thursday 5th December 7pm

Lower Park School Hall

A fun filled evening led by a professional florist where you will create your very own Christmas masterpiece!

EARLY BIRD PRICE!!!

£40 per head until 15th November (Rising to £45 thereafter)

*This includes Mince pies but please **bring your own tippie!***

Buy your tickets from the school office

or email emmaadley@gmail.com

Friends and Family welcome

All proceeds go to the Lower Park School PTA Charity.



Warm welcome!

A warm welcome to Sue Berzins who has joined the office team and the Lower Park family. Sue will be working on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. She has a wealth of finance experience and was previously in post as School Business Manager at Rainow Primary School.



Academisation Update

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we approach the transition to academy status on January 1st, we want to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to our school community.

To ensure a smooth transition, we kindly ask that you review your accounts and ensure that any outstanding payments are settled. This week, you will receive a reminder regarding any outstanding balances. We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter, as having a nil balance will greatly assist us in this important change.

If you are experiencing any difficulties with payments, please do not hesitate to reach out to the school office. We are here to support you and can discuss options for a payment plan that works for your family.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

A reminder to parents and carers that we are a nut free school. Thank you for your consideration.



Our “Nut-Free Policy” means that the following items should not be brought into school:

- *Peanut butter or Nutella sandwiches*
 - *Fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts*
 - *Chocolate bars or sweets that contain nuts*
 - *Sesame seed rolls (children allergic to nuts may also have a severe reaction to sesame)*
 - *Cakes made with nuts*
 - *Self-serve pastries covered in almonds – for example almond croissants*
 - *Any home-cooked meals for packed lunches that are made from nuts*
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Dates for the diary



Diary dates for Autumn 2024

Thursday 5th December – Wreath Night - remember to buy your tickets!

Friday 6th December - Freddie Fit

Monday 9th December - FS & KS1 Pantomime - available to pay on School Money now

Wednesday 11th December - FS & KS1 Nativity afternoon performance

Thursday 12th December - FS & KS1 Nativity - Evening performance

Friday 13th December MCFC competition

Tuesday 17th December KS2 Christmas lunch

Tuesday 17th December KS2 Carol service 9:30 am - Please complete survey on School Spider

Wednesday 18th December FS/KS1 Christmas lunch

19th December – KS2 Pantomime - available to pay on School Money now

Friday 20th December - Finish for Christmas

Community noticeboard



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as part of our Space to Prosper Project

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Saturday 16th November
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POYNTON
Sports Club

QUIZ!?! NIGHT!

Friday 27th September

Friday 15th November

Friday 20th December

7.30 pm

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North Local Offer Marketplace



For all parents/carers with children aged 0-25 who would like to find out more about our SEND Local Offer and how we can support you and your child. Drop in and meet with multiple agencies all in one place!



Oakenclough Family Hub
Colshaw Drive, Wilmslow
SK9 2PZ

Thursday 5th December 4pm-6pm

- Education Psychologist
- Cheshire and Merseyside ICB
- 0-19 SEND Health Visitor
- Cheshire East Autism Team (CEAT)
- Cheshire East SEND Team
- Cheshire East SEND Transition Team
- Cheshire East Parent/Carer Forum





Winter Gift from FACE



Understanding the Teenage Brain

Watch the recording of Jane Keyworth delivering this online session (one hour 45 minutes) to parents in the UK

"We need every parent and teacher to attend this outstanding presentation. It provides a brilliant exposé of the challenges young people face as they develop from child to young adult. The presentation is very informative but also very accessible and entertaining. I cannot recommend this talk highly enough"

Mr Andrew Mead, Headteacher at Lytchett Minster, UK High school

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Winter 2024/2025 Newsletter

<p>FREE until JAN 25</p>		<p>Understanding the Teenage Brain Watch this recorded session in your own time, to learn why our teens think, feel and behave very differently from adults and how we can support them.</p>
<p>Thursday 5th Dec 19:00 - 21:00 £24</p>		<p>Supporting a Child with ADHD Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.</p>
<p>Tuesday 17th Dec 19:00 - 21:00 £24</p>		<p>Facing Defiance Effective interventions for handling defiant behaviour. ADHD, ODD and PDA relevant as well as regular challenging behaviour. Introduction to the FACE programme - Facing Defiance - 6 week course</p>
<p>Tuesday 7th Jan 19:00 - 21:00 £24</p>		<p>Anxiety-Based School Avoidance Understanding and supporting children who are anxious about school. Steps you can take to help them back into the classroom.</p>
<p>Thursday 9 Jan 19:00 - 21:00 £24</p>		<p>AUTISM: Improving Communication Looking at how small changes in how we communicate with children on the spectrum can lead to big improvements.</p>

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WINTER TIMETABLE

Talks are delivered online via zoom 7pm to 9pm £24 each

If you can't make the date ask for the link to the recording, available for 48 hours afterwards

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FREE - Decreasing Depression FREE - Anxiety Explained	25 NOV 20 JAN
What is ACT?	26 NOV, 21 JAN
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	28 NOV
Supporting a Child with ADHD	5 DEC, 2 JAN
Understanding Anger	16 DEC, 13 JAN
Facing Defiance	17 DEC, 14 JAN
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	19 DEC, 16 JAN
Anxiety-Based School Avoidance	7 JAN
AUTISM: Improving Communication	9 JAN
Raising Self-Esteem	27 JAN
Supporting Healthy Sleep	28 JAN
Improving Family Communication	4 FEB
Introduction to OCD	18 FEB

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