



Lower Park School

# Lower Park

## Lower Park Beacon

Issue 462  
Fri 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Dear Parents,

### Discos Tonight



Just a reminder that the spring discos are on this evening. Key Stage 1 & FS disco is from 6.00 – 7.00pm and KS2 from 7.15 to 8.30pm.

Would parents leave via the back of the hall exit doors after the first disco.

### Family Bingo with Fish and Chips Supper Only 8 (Garden Gate) Days Away



Eyes down and look in to our next event arranged by the PTA – Bingo and Fish and Chips evening next Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> March. Tickets are available by returning the flyer to school (it is attached to this Beacon). Doors open at 4.40pm with eyes down for the first line at 5.00pm.

### Mrs Shirt is Leaving



I am sure that many people will be sad to learn that at the end of this term, Mrs Shirt will be leaving the school office to pursue another

career. She has been the voice on the phone and the face at the office window for 9 years. So many people have come to rely on the dependable, warm reception she gives to everyone. Mrs Shirt has loved working with the children and is well-known by many parents, through her front-line role in school. I know she will also shed a tear or two when she leaves us. Of course, everyone will miss her too, but will also be happy that she is looking forward to her career move. I am sure that everyone will join me in thanking her for her excellent work, kindness and everything she has done at for the children at Lower Park and we wish her every success in her future career.

### Vacancy in the School Office

As Mrs Shirt leaves, it creates a vacancy in the school office. We are now advertising the post and would welcome interest from anyone seeking to work in the school office. Details and applications can be obtained from Mrs Buchan or from the Cheshire East website. I would be happy to answer any questions about the role and a visit to the school, by appointment, is expected. The closing date for applications is Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March and the interviews will take place on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March.

### This Week's 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 'Honesty.'



The winners this week were: -

Millie Gatenby, Max Waterman, Grace Harris, Joseph Frost, Amy Peasnell, Charlotte Gale, Saanvi Hari, Ben Jacks, Peggy Johnston, Joseph Perrin and Kyle Lynch.

Well done to all those children!

### Meeting for Year 4 Parents

The meeting date for parents regarding the residential trip to Tattenhall has been brought forward a day to Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March at 6.30pm – next Tuesday.

### World Book Day

Yesterday and today, the children and teachers carried out their planned World Book Day activities. With the theme of grannies and grandads, there was a distinct 'older look' in the top corridor of the school. The English lesson was themed against what it would be like to be older and everyone really did generate some interesting work.



The UKS2 teaching team

### Next Week's World Book 'Days'

On Thursday, Lower KS2 staff are carrying on with their theme from a book called 'Charlie Small in Gorilla City'. Children are asked to dress as either a creature or person who lives in the rainforest e.g. a homemade tree frog mask (the costumes the children wore for their 'Animals In-tuition day would be perfect).

On Friday, KS1 children are asked to come to school dressed as an animal of their choice. Their topic is Scales and Tales and the children will focus on animal related stories.

I hope the children will enjoy the new World Book Days as much as the 'older' children did today.

### Mia Visits the Queen

One of our Year 5 children has a special day coming up on Monday.



Mia Nickson has been selected to represent the Brownies of Poynton and the Girl Guiding Association and is parading in London. She will then be attending the Commonwealth Service at Westminster Abbey on Monday, in the presence of Her Majesty The Queen and the Royal Family.

Naturally, she is very excited and is looking forward to what will be a wonderful experience for her.

### First Aiders at Lower Park

I am pleased to inform you that 12 midday assistants and teaching assistants were trained in emergency 1<sup>st</sup> aid on Wednesday of this week. We already have many qualified first aiders and now nearly all TAs and midday assistants are qualified to tend to the bumps and scrapes that may occur at school.



### Tennis Club

Bookings are now open for the summer term starting after the Easter holidays. To book visit [www.point-onetennis.org](http://www.point-onetennis.org) and select 'schools programme'. Any questions please call Mike on 07984 974887

### Letters / Emails Sent Home This Week.

- To Year 6 – re Leavers hoodies
- To year 6 last week in Feb- re Menai residential

### Reminders

- 

### This Week at School

- Tickets for the disco and bingo nights have been selling well this week
- On Monday, many parents and children from Year 6 met with teachers to discover the revision programme for the forthcoming SATs test in May.

- This was followed on Tuesday with a meeting for parents of children in Year 2 about the Year 2 assessment process.
- On Thursday, the second of our book fair days took place after school. The response was fantastic with more people attending than we anticipated. Books bought at last week's fair were distributed yesterday too. Thank you for supporting this event.
- Yesterday and today, the children and teachers from Years 5 and 6 dressed up as 'old folk' as part of World Book Day.
- Today, there was much to celebrate with our families and mothers' day celebration afternoon.
- Tonight is disco night!

### Next Week at School

- On Monday, Lower KS2 are going to the synagogue as part of their topic in RE, learning about the Jewish faith.
- On Tuesday at 6.30pm, there is a meeting for parents and children in Year 4 about the residential trip to Tattenhall in June. It will be held in Mrs Mellor's classroom.
- On Thursday, children in KS1 are having 'Shabbat' workshops.
- On Thursday, LKS2 are having their World Book Day
- On Friday, children I KS1 and FS are having their World Book Day.
- On Saturday, we are holding our Bingo and Fish and Chips evening.

### After School Activities taking place - week beginning Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018

|       | Activity       | Time        | Yr Group | Venue             | Organiser                   | On or Off     |
|-------|----------------|-------------|----------|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Mon   | Tennis         | 8.00 – 8.45 | KS2      | Outside or Hall   | Mrs Ralph / Mr Atherfold    | On            |
|       | Drama club     | 3.30 - 4.30 | KS2      | Hall              | Generate Theatre Arts Group | On            |
| Tues  | Swing Band     | 8.00 – 8.50 | KS2      | Hall              | Mr Coulson                  | On            |
|       | Football Squad | 3.15-4.15   | Y5&6     | Outside           | Mr Cunha                    | On            |
|       | Girls Football | 3.15- 4.15  | KS2      | Outside           | Mrs Ralph                   | On            |
|       | Netball        | 3.15 – 4.00 | Y5 & 6   | Outside           | Mrs Chadwick                | On            |
| Weds  | Art Club       | 3.15 – 4.15 | Y1 & Y2  | Miss Cork's class | Miss Cork                   | On – last one |
|       | 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            |
|       | Coding Club    | 3.30 – 4.15 | KS2      | Miss King's class | Miss King                   | OFF           |
|       | Football       | 3.45 – 4.15 | KS1 & 2  | Hall / outside    | Les Clitheroe               | On            |
|       | Karate         | 4.45-5.45   | KS2      | KS2               | Mrs Ralph / Mr Ferris       | On            |
| Thurs | Tennis         | 8.00 – 8.45 | F&KS1    | Outside or Hall   | Mrs Ralph / Mr Atherfold    | On            |
|       | Swing Band     | 3.15 – 4.20 | KS2      | Hall              | Mr Coulson                  | On            |
| Fri   | Brass Band     | 3.15-4.00   | KS2      | Former staffroom  | Mr Longson                  | On            |
|       | Multi-Sports   | 3.13 – 4.15 | Y1 & 2   | Hall or outside   | Mr Coulson                  | On            |

**Diary Dates for the Spring Term 2018**

| Date         | Event   |
|--------------|---|
| <b>Date</b>  | <b>Event</b>  |
| Fri 9 March  | Discos 6.00 – 7.00 KS1 & 7.15 – 8.30pm KS2                  |
| Tues 13      | Tattenhall meeting for parents 6.30pm – Mrs Mellor’s room   |
| Sat 17       | Bingo Night - PTA   |
| Weds 21      | 6.30pm Chairs of Govs’ meeting & 7.00 Full Gov Body meeting |
| Fri 23       | Sport Relief  |
| Tues 27 - 29 | Year 5 to Ilam  |
| Thurs 29     | School Closes for Easter Holiday                            |
| Mon 16 April | School Opens for Summer 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 with \*  
TBC means To be confirmed. TBF means To be Finalised.*

**School Calendar Dates 2017 – 2018**

**SCHOOL CLOSES**

**SCHOOL OPENS**

|                       |                     |                   |
|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Easter 2018           | Thursday 29th March | Monday 16th April |
| May Day 2018          | Monday 7th May      |                   |
| Summer Half Term 2018 | Friday 25th May     | Monday 11th June  |
| Summer 2018           | Friday 27th July    |                   |

INSET DAYS LEFT: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2018, Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2018.

**School Calendar Dates 2018 – 2019**

**SCHOOL CLOSES**

**SCHOOL OPENS**

|                       |                      |                         |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Autumn Half Term      | Friday 26th October  | Tuesday 4th September   |
| Christmas 2018/19     | Friday 21st December | Tuesday 6th November    |
| Spring Half Term 2019 | Friday 15th February | Monday 7th January 2019 |
| Easter 2019           | Friday 5th April     | Tuesday 26th February   |
| May Day 2019          | Monday 6th May       | Tuesday 23rd April      |
| Summer Half Term 2019 | Friday 24th May      | Monday 10th June        |
| Summer 2019           | Friday 26th July     |                         |

INSET DAYS: Monday 3rd September 2018, Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018, Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February, Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2019, Tuesday 30th July 2019

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 *Jan G Coulson and the Staff at Lower Park*

# My School Lunch Menu

Week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> March

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

| <b>MONDAY</b>   | <b>TUESDAY</b>  | <b>WEDNESDAY</b>   | <b>THURSDAY</b>   | <b>FRIDAY</b>  |
|---|---|--|---|--|
| Name  | Name  | Name   | Name  | Name   |
| Pizza with Saute Potatoes (v)<br>Vegetable Paella (v)<br><br>Jacket Potato with<br>Tuna <input type="checkbox"/><br>(v)Beans <input type="checkbox"/><br>(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/><br>Sandwich filled with<br>Tuna <input type="checkbox"/><br>Ham <input type="checkbox"/><br>(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/><br><br>Sweetcorn, Broccoli, Salad Bar.<br><br>Chocolate Crunch with Fruit Chunk<br>Seasonal Fruit Platter<br>Organic Yoghurt | Organic Beefburger in a Bap with Wedges<br>Quorn Burger in a Bap with Wedges(v)<br>Quorn Cottage Pie (v)<br>Jacket Potato with<br>Tuna <input type="checkbox"/><br>(v)Beans <input type="checkbox"/><br>(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/><br>Sandwich filled with<br>Tuna <input type="checkbox"/><br>Ham <input type="checkbox"/><br>(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/><br><br>Carrots, Green Beans. Salad Bar<br><br>Dorset Apple Cake with Custard<br>Seasonal Fruit Platter<br>Organic Yoghurt | Minced Beef Pie with Creamed Potato<br>Quorn Korma (v) with Rice & Cous Cous<br><br>Jacket Potato with<br>Tuna <input type="checkbox"/><br>(v)Beans <input type="checkbox"/><br>(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/><br>Wrap filled with<br>Tuna <input type="checkbox"/><br>Ham <input type="checkbox"/><br>(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/><br><br>,Cauliflower, Sweetcorn Salad Bar<br><br>Carrot and Pineapple Muffin<br>Seasonal Fruit Platter<br>Organic Yoghurt | Paprika Chicken with Rice<br>Vegetarian Sausage Roll, Creamed Potato & Gravy (v)<br>Jacket Potato with<br>Tuna <input type="checkbox"/><br>(v)Beans <input type="checkbox"/><br>(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/><br>Sandwich filled with<br>Tuna <input type="checkbox"/><br>Ham <input type="checkbox"/><br>(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/><br><br>Mixed Veg, Salad Bar<br><br>Peach Sponge with Custard<br>Seasonal Fruit Platter<br>Organic Yoghurt | Roast Gammon & Pineapple with Chips<br>Fish Fingers with Chips<br>Jacket Potato with<br>Tuna <input type="checkbox"/><br>(v)Beans <input type="checkbox"/><br>(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/><br>Sandwich filled with<br>Tuna <input type="checkbox"/><br>Ham <input type="checkbox"/><br>(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/><br><br>Baked Beans, Peas, Salad Bar<br><br>Lemon Biscuit with Fruit Chunk<br>Seasonal Fruit Platter<br>Organic Yoghurt |

**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**