



Lower Park  
School

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## Lower Park Beacon

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Dear Parents,

**Parking Next Tuesday  
Coaches taking Children to Quarry  
Bank Mill**



Next Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> October, there will be a number of coaches arriving early to pick up KS1 and FS children. Please avoid bringing your car into Hazelbadge Road at arrival time and collecting time next Tuesday. We will also be placing cones along one side of Hazelbadge Road and it is **CRUCIAL NOT TO LEAVE** your car in the **TURNING CIRCLE** at the end of the road, as this is where the coaches have to turn. We ask those who must, please park cars on the opposite side of Hazelbadge Road so the coaches have a clear run to the turning circle. Many thanks for your cooperation.

### Parents' Evening Appointments

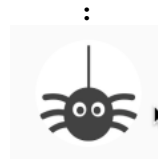
From 6.00pm on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October, the appointment forms will be made available for you to book your appointment with your class teacher. You can do this quickly via the School Spider app that we have been asking you to download or it can be done via the school's website. The log-in details for the app and the website were sent out to parents on Wednesday this week.

We ask you to make one appointment with your child's class teacher. The appointments are for a 10-minute meeting. And the two parents' evenings are on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October.

If you have not yet downloaded the app, here is how to do it:

The app looks a little like this (a grey background with a black spider

showing two eyes) and is called 'School Spider.'



Initially, the app will be used to make this appointment, but there are other features we can use it for in time. These will include:

- Complete online surveys and forms (these could include school trip/club bookings etc.)
- Smartphone messages

The app can be downloaded from the store from where you download your other apps (eg the App Store). The date and time to make an appointment for the October parents' evenings is **Monday 8th October at 6.00pm** which means that everyone can access the available appointments from that time. I have attached the letter generated from School Spider again this week. It explains how to download the app.

You can also make your parents' evening appointment by going to our website, [www.lowerpark.cheshire.sch.uk](http://www.lowerpark.cheshire.sch.uk)

From the home page, go to the parent log in tab, log in and you will find the parents' evening appointments page.

### Reception Parents' Meeting Yesterday Evening

Thank you for attending the meeting yesterday evening. We hope that the information shared with you will have been of value to you in helping your child in their first term at school. Seeing their first few days in school has, hopefully, confirmed to you the tremendous quality of education and care that the Reception and

Key Stage 1 staff are giving to your child.

**Film and Story Night – Update!**  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October  
Transylvania  
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A letter from the PTA was sent out this week with details and an order form. If you missed it, I have attached a copy to this Beacon.

The essential details are as follows: KS2 children's film, Transylvania 3 will begin at 4.45pm and the children need to be collected at 6.45pm KS1 & FS stage – start straight after school and end at 5.00pm KS2 film begins at 4.45pm and ends at 6.45pm

**There will be no multi-sports on film night on 19th October**

### Disco Night TONIGHT!

The disco for the reception children and those in KS1 will take place from 6.00pm - 7.00pm tonight. The KS2 disco begins at 7.15pm and ends at 8.30pm. The cost is just £1.00 and there will be snacks to buy.



Reminder: Parents of children at the first disco are welcome to stay

but we ask that you collect your children at the end and leave by the doors at the back of the school hall.

### Individual Photographs



On Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October, the photographer will be in school to take photographs of all the children individually and with siblings.

She will arrive at 8.15am to allow any family that has younger or older siblings, not at Lower Park, to have their photograph taken together. Please come to the hall via the main entrance.

Siblings will have their photographs taken together and individually during the day.

### School Meals Questionnaire

Thank you to those parents who have returned the questionnaire sent out last week. We really do want to hear from you regarding how we can develop our school meals. Mrs Laffey is an excellent cook and she and her team are so good with our children and always want to give them the best.

Please return the questionnaire if you have not already done so. Another copy is attached.

### Book Fair



Thank you for coming along to the book fair in the last few days. The books were well-received and the increased number of books made available was welcomed too. The book fair earned £469 commission for the school to spend on books for our library. Many thanks for your support.

### Quarry Bank Visit

We do still need 2 helpers, so if you are available and willing to help on 9<sup>th</sup> October (next Tuesday), please call the office on 01625 872560.

### 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 'New Beginnings.'



This week's winners were:

Annie C, Esme R, Isla O, Anna P, Lydia B, Jessica L, Darcie C, Toby P, Isabel H, Jaiden B, Angel E, Hollie A and Jenna M

Well done to all those children.

### Letters this week

- Email re school meal questionnaire
- To Y5 & Y6 re Christmas Show auditions

### Reminders

#### *Dressing Down Days This Term*

We have these days to create items to sell at for Christmas Fair which takes place on Saturday 1st December between 11.00 am and 2.00pm. We ask parents to send their children in with items in return for dressing in other clothing. Here are the details for this term's dressing down days:

*9th Nov - £1 coin in return for wearing a onesie*

*16th Nov - Bring a bottle in return for coming in fancy dress/stars of sports & screen (Please take extra care when bringing them in)*

*23rd Nov - Please bring sweet filled jars in return for coming to school in out of uniform No nuts please).*

*30th Nov - Please send in cakes & chocolates in return for wearing Christmas tops and / or silly socks.*



At Lower Park, the PTA run a Lotto Club (100 Club) where parents can purchase a number between 1 and 100 for our monthly draw. Three numbers are drawn each month and the prizes are:

1<sup>st</sup> - £25.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> £15.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> £10.00.

The draw raises upto £1000.00 each year for school.

It is easy to join (and help the school buy the types of things we have listed in this Beacon). To join, all you need to do is complete a form which is available from the school office or attached to this Beacon. There is also a standing order form attached, should you prefer that method to pay.

#### *School Uniform*

Here is a reminder about our school uniform. We hope that all children should wear our school uniform proudly. The wearing of a watch and stud earrings is fine (watches and earrings must be removed (or earrings taped over) for safety reason during PE and games and that long hair is tied back).

Please ensure your children come to school in our school uniform and PLEASE, PLEASE put your child's name in their sweatshirts and other property. Here is a reminder:

Uniform	White polo shirt or blouse Grey trousers, skirts or pinafore Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan. Black, sturdy shoes (not trainers)
PE Kit	Shorts or blue leggings and T-shirt (trainers for summer)
Games Kit	As for PE with trainers and tracksuit
Swimming	Costume, towel (and swimming hat for long hair)

(Year 4 have swimming lessons on Fridays this term)

Our supplier's details are: [info@psupoynton.co.uk](mailto:info@psupoynton.co.uk) 01625 876885, Anne Taylor also comes into school on the first Thursday of each month and sells uniform in our reception area.

*Library Helper Needed*



We still are asking for another parent to fill the vacancy for one afternoon on Thursdays each week.

If you are able to help for Thursday afternoon each week, please get in touch with the school office on [admin@lowerpark,cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@lowerpark,cheshire.sch.uk) or ring 01625 872560 or speak with Mrs McLean

### This Week in School

- On Monday evening, the staff attended whole school training.
- There was a full Governing Body meeting on Monday. A full agenda was addressed and included analysing the assessment results from the summer term.
- The book fair closed its cabinets on Tuesday evening after four nights of being available to parents and children.
- On Thursday, the new intake parents attended a meeting to hear about the curriculum, how to help their children at home and to watch a video of the children's first few days in school.

### Next Week in School

- There is no tennis on Monday morning.
- There is a football match against Hazel Grove on Monday after school on our school fields.
- Parents' evening bookings are available on line from 6.00pm on Monday.
- KS1 & FS children are going to Styal Mill on Tuesday. Please keep the road and turning circle clear.
- There is no digital art club or football training on Tuesday next week (Staff training taking place).

### After-school activities taking place – week beginning Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018

	On or Off?	Activity	Time	Yr Group	Venue	Organiser
Mon	OFF	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	Digital Art Club	3.15 – 4.15	KS2	Miss Cork's class	Miss Cork
	OFF	Football Squad	3.15-4.15	Y5&6	Outside	Mr Cunha
	OFF	Netball	3.15 – 4.00	Y5 & 6	Outside	Mrs Chadwick
Weds	ON	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
	ON	Swing Band	3.15 – 4.20	KS2	Hall	Mr Coulson
	ON	Brass Band	3.15-4.00	KS2	Former staffroom	Mr Longson
Fri	ON	Multi-Sports	3.15 – 4.15	Y1 - Y4	Hall or outside	Mr Coulson

### Diary Dates for the Autumn Term 2018

Date	Event
Fri 5 October	School discos 6.00 – 7.00 and 7.15 – 8.30pm
Tues 9	KS1 & FS to Quarry Bank
Thurs 18	Individual photos am
Fri 19	Harvest Festival (KS2)
Fri 19	PTA Film night from 3.00pm school hall
Mon 22	School Health admin Fluenz to children from Rec to Year 5
Mon 22	Pupil & Curric Govs' meeting 6.30pm
Mon 22	Environ & Comm gov's meeting at 7.45pm
Tues 23	Parents' evening until 7.30pm
Thurs 25	Parents' evening until 7.30pm
Fri 26	School closes for half term
Mon 5 November	INSET Day Review Day – School Closed
Tues 6 - 9	Anti-Bullying week
Tues 6	9.00am Anti-bullying performance – times TBC
Weds 7 - 9	Year 6 to Kingswood
Mon 12	Personnel gov's meeting at 6.00pm, Finance gov's meeting at 7.45
Thurs 15	PTA meeting at 7.30pm
Mon 26	Chairs of Govs at 6.30pm, FGB at 7.00pm
Saturday 1st December	Christmas fair – 11.00 – 2.00pm
Weds 12	Whole school to Pantomime – Dick Whittington
Fri 14	Freddy Fit
Mon 17	Christmas Shows - KS1 pm performance, KS2 eve performance
Tues 18	Christmas Shows - KS2 pm Performance, KS1 evening performance
Weds 19	Christmas Shows - KS1 pm performance, KS2 eve performance
Thurs 20	XMAS Party/entertainer KS1&FS, XMAS Dinner & Talent Show KS2
Fri 21	School closes at 3.15 for Xmas holiday
Mon 7 Jan 2019	School opens for spring term at 8.50am

*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

	<u>SCHOOL CLOSES</u>	<u>SCHOOL OPENS</u>
Autumn Half Term	Friday 26th October	Tuesday 6th November
Christmas 2018/19	Friday 21st December	Monday 7th January 2019
Spring Half Term 2019	Friday 15th February	Tuesday 26th February
Easter 2019	Friday 5th April	Tuesday 23rd April
May Day 2019	Monday 6th May	
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

### School Calendar Dates 2019 – 2020

	<u>SCHOOL CLOSES</u>	<u>SCHOOL OPENS</u>
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	Monday 4th 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 *Jan J Coulson and the Staff at Lower Park*

## My School Lunch Menu

Week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018

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 Bap with Wedges	Hunters Chicken with Saute Potatoes	Beef Spaghetti Bolognaise	Chicken Curry with Rice	Roast Gammon & Pineapple with Chips
Quorn Burger in a Bap with Wedges (v)	Vegetable Stir Fry with Noodles(v)	BBQ Quorn in a Soft Tortilla Boat(v) served with Savoury Rice	Ploughman's Toastie(v)	Fish Fingers with Chips
Tomato Pasta	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"/>
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(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	Wrap filled with Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	Sandwich filled with Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	Sandwich filled with Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	Sandwich filled with Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>
Sandwich filled with Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	Ham <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	Ham <input type="checkbox"/>	Ham <input type="checkbox"/>
Ham <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	Sandwich filled with Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>
(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>		Ham <input type="checkbox"/>		
		(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>		
Carrots, Peas, Salad Bar.	Sweetcorn, Broccoli. Salad Bar	Carrots, Peas, Salad Bar	Mixed Veg, Salad Bar	Baked Beans, Carrots, Salad Bar
Chocolate Flapjack with Fruit Chunk	Summer Fruit Sponge	Lemon Drizzle Cake	Angel Delight with Fruit Chunk	Frozen Yoghurt
Seasonal Fruit Platter	Seasonal Fruit Platter	Seasonal Fruit Platter	Seasonal Fruit Platter	Seasonal Fruit Platter
Organic Yoghurt	Organic Yoghurt	Organic Yoghurt	Organic Yoghurt	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.