



Lower Park  
School

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## Lower Park Beacon

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Dear Parents,

### Visit to Quarry Bank Mill

The first visit of the year took place on Tuesday for all the children in Years R, 1 and 2. I am sure your child will have told you about the trip. There were several activities during the visit, including a guided tour of the house where the apprentices lived. The children's faces looked shocked at times when they realised that the apprentices were only a little older than they are now and the hard life and poor conditions left our children in awe.



As a contrast, it was also appropriate for our children's age that there was an emphasis on 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea.' It was interesting that they thought there was a tiger once at Quarry Bank Mill.

The children were also challenged to 'travel' to different countries in a game.

The children looked tired by the end of the day as there was a fair amount of walking involved, but it was very worthwhile.

### Quarry Bank Mill Visit Thank You



To take all the children to Quarry Bank Mill on Tuesday was a challenging task but well worth the visit. It would not have been possible without our parent helpers, so we would like to say thank you to our

many parents who came along to help. Thank you also to Mrs Hughes who organised the visit.

### Thank You for Not Parking in Hazelbadge

Thank you to those parents who avoided bringing cars along Hazelbadge on Tuesday. It meant that the coaches were able to collect the 120 children from the school gate. When we have coaches arriving for a trip, please take extra care not to block neighbours' access from their drives and the adjoining roads.

The next coach trip is on November 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> as our Year 6 children go to and return from Kingswood.

Thank you

### Football Match v Hazel Grove



The season is officially underway and there were lots of chances in front of goal on Tuesday. The year 6 children took a 3-2 lead into the final few minutes after hitting the post several times. However, the final whistle finished with the visitors, Hazel Grove Primary, on top. It was a similar scenario with the year 5 team with Kamran M scoring both goals for Lower Park, but unfortunately the team lost 2-5 to the visitors. The next match is at home again on Tuesday next week. We will be playing Moorfield where the teams can hopefully return to winning ways. Well played to all the team members!

### Film and Story Night – Next Friday Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October Transylvania 3 and Mother Hen!

If you have not yet booked a seat and a snack for our film / story night, you have a little time left to do so.

Last orders for these events should be returned to school by Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October.



The order form was sent out with last week's Beacon.

The 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

**Please would you collect your KS1 and FS children from the Reception outdoor area (where the white garage doors are)**

**Parents of children attending the KS2 film should collect the children from the hall and leave by the doors at the back of the hall.**

### Harvest Festival

On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October, we are having a Harvest Festival assembly. Today, we asked the children if they could bring in non-perishable food (tins, packets etc.) which we will take to local food banks. Hopefully this will help to convey the harvest message that it is a time of plenty but there are families with children

where this is not the case and many of those families are located in this area. We will make a food display during the Harvest Festival and we ask you to donate food items on any day leading up to the Harvest Festival on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October. The food that is collected will be taken to food banks in this area.



The Harvest Festival itself will have some interesting harvest songs put to the music of Abba and George Ezra. Thank you in advance for your support.

#### Hollies Holiday Club

The Hollies are running a holiday club during half term. The details are attached with this Beacon.

#### 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:

Jamie S, Jessie G, Jasmine A, Zakariya M, Ellie M, Cian W, George B, Thomas H, Ben J, Heath L and Jack W

Well done to all those children.

#### Did You Know...?

Did you know.....



.... that the Senior Leadership Team of the school has many roles, more than you see below but their primary areas are:-

Mr Coulson – Headteacher & Safeguarding Lead  
Mrs Cunha – Deputy Headteacher & KS1 & Foundation Leader, Deputy Safeguarding Lead  
Mrs Gallagher – KS2 Leader  
Mrs Jones – SENDCO

#### Bonfire Night Tickets for Sale

If you are planning to go to the Poynton Bonfire and Firework Display which takes place on Saturday 3rd November at Poynton Park, please purchase your tickets from the school office. The Round Table will donate generous commission to our school for all the tickets sold. The tickets are available now from the school office priced:

Family Ticket (2 adults+ up to 3 U16s	£20.00 each
Adult Ticket	£7.50 (17 & above)
Child Ticket	£4.50 (3-16)



If you want to know more about the Bonfire Event itself, particularly if you are willing and able to volunteer assistance over the Bonfire weekend in terms of site preparation and clearance, please check out their website. [www.PoyntonBonfire.co.uk](http://www.PoyntonBonfire.co.uk)

#### Letters this week

- To Y1 – Y4 Multi Sports club letter for next half term

#### Reminders

*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.

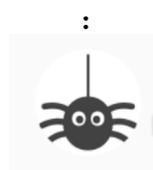
Siblings will have their photographs taken together and individually during the day.

It is now possible 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 have been sent out to parents last week.

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.'



The app can be downloaded from the store from where you download your other apps (eg the App Store). 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

*[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.*

*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, the football teams played their first matches against Hazel Grove. Please see the report above
- Parents' evening bookings were made available from 6.00pm on Monday.
- All of the children from the Reception, Year 1 and 2 classes went to Styal Mill for the day on Tuesday (see report above).

### Next Week in School

- On Tuesday, there is a football match at home against Moorfield
- On Thursday, we will be taking the individual and sibling photographs during the morning.
- On Friday, the film and story night takes place - see details above.

### After-school activities taking place – week beginning Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018

	<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
	ON	Digital Art Club	3.15 – 4.15	KS2	Miss Cork's class	Miss Cork
	OFF (Home match)	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
Fri	ON	Brass Band	3.15-4.00	KS2	Former staffroom	Mr Longson
	OFF	Multi-Sports	3.15 – 4.15	Y1 - Y4	Hall or outside	Mr Coulson

### Diary Dates for the Autumn Term 2018

Date	Event
Thurs 18 October	Individual photos am
Fri 19	Harvest Festival (KS2)
Fri 19	PTA Film / Story 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 15th October

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
Bacon & Tomato Pasta	Chicken Korma with Rice	Cheese Flan with Mashed Potatoes	Roast Turkey, Stuffing & Gravy with Roast Potatoes	Southern Style Chicken Chunks BBQ dip with Chips
Vegetarian Sausage Roll with Potatoes (v)	Cheesy Veg Bake (v)	Vegetarian Spaghetti Bolognese (v)	Quorn Fillet (v) with Stuffing & Gravy & Roast potatoes	Vinegar Infused Fish Goujons with Chips
Jacket Potato with	Jacket Potato with	Jacket Potato with	Turkey Baguette	Jacket Potato with
Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	Quorn Baguette	Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>
(v)Beans <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Beans <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Beans <input type="checkbox"/>	Jacket Potato with	(v)Beans <input type="checkbox"/>
(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>
Sandwich filled with	Sandwich filled with	Wrap filled with	(v)Beans <input type="checkbox"/>	Sandwich filled with
Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>
Ham <input type="checkbox"/>	Ham <input type="checkbox"/>	Ham <input type="checkbox"/>	Sandwich filled with	Ham <input type="checkbox"/>
(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	Tuna <input type="checkbox"/>	(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>
Carrots, Broccoli, Salad Bar.	Sweetcorn, Cauliflower, Salad Bar	Green Beans, Carrots, Salad Bar	Ham <input type="checkbox"/>	Baked Beans, Peas, Salad Bar
			(v)Cheese <input type="checkbox"/>	
Orange Square	Oatie Biscuit	Summer Shortbread	Mixed Veg, Salad Bar	Cookie
Seasonal Fruit Platter	Seasonal Fruit Platter	with Fruit Chunk	Chocolate Mandarin	Seasonal Fruit Platter
Organic Yoghurt	Organic Yoghurt	Seasonal Fruit Platter	Sponge	Organic Yoghurt
		Organic Yoghurt	Seasonal Fruit Platter	
			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.