



Golden Book



Well done to Daniel, Wiliame, Brianne, Salote, Ewan, Kayla, Laura, Harry, Mia, Finley, Nevaeh, Dylan and Owen for their good work!

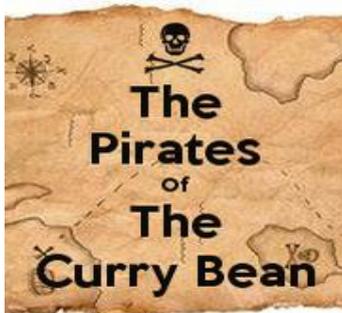
Attendance



Whole School = 95.6%. Congratulations to Wagtail, Owl, Kestrel and Falcon classes who achieved a fantastic 100% attendance last week.

End of Year Reports

These will be sent home on Friday 20th July together with details of your child's class and teacher for next year. This is a change to the original date advised as we feel it makes sense to wait for the SATs results to be published. Children will spend some time with their new classes the following week.



Yr6 Production

On Tuesday 24th July, our very talented Yr6 actors will perform 'The Pirates of The Curry Bean'. Tickets (£1 each) are available from the School Office.

Parking Issues

We have had several phone calls from residents about parking in St. Joseph's Way. Parents have been reported blocking drives and parking on the grass verges and parking on the yellow zigzag lines outside the School. Please be courteous towards residents and park safely when bringing in or collecting your child from school.



FoLPS Summer Fayre –

Do come along on Friday 6th July afternoon and join us for some fun. Doors open straight after school. Plenty of stalls including bottle tombola, prize raffle, coconut shy, refreshments and lots more!



Yr2 Talent Concert

Please join us at 1.30pm on Tuesday 24th for our very own 'Yr2 Has Talent'! Children have been rehearsing hard and are looking forward to performing for you.



Stay Safe In The Sun

As the weather remains hot, it is important to keep safe in the sun. Can you please make sure that you apply sunscreen to your child before they come to school and supply them with some to bring with them to reapply during the day if required. **Please make sure that your child knows how to apply the sunscreen**, as several children have got it in their eyes in the past. Children should also bring a **hat** and a **drink** to school.



School Uniform

We have added the services of Tesco Uniform Embroidery to our list of preferred uniform suppliers and, as previously advised, they will be producing uniform with our new school logo.

This is an online ordering service which will allow you to earn Clubcard points with every purchase, with free returns and will give a 5% commission to the school on sales.

Simply go to tesco.com/ues and select Lyneham Primary School from the list and you will see all the available items.

Please note that we will be phasing out uniform with our previous 'pegasus' logo but children will still be able to wear this until outgrown – no further items with this logo will be sold via Tesco Uniform Embroidery, PMG Schoolwear or through our monthly second hand uniform sales.

Diary Dates

When	What	Time	Notes
Friday 6 th	FoLPS Summer Fayre	3.30pm	
Friday 20 th	End of Year Reports		Amended date
Monday 23 rd	'Move Up' Day		Meet new class teachers
Tuesday 24 th	Year 2 Talent Show	1.30pm	Upper School Hall
Tuesday 24 th	The Pirates of the Curry Bean	6.00pm	Upper School Hall
Wednesday 25 th	End of Term 6	12.30pm	Non-Uniform/No Lunch

Message from Terry Jones (Parent Support Advisor)

Moving On – Transitions

As this school year draws swiftly to a close it seems premature to be musing about the next term in September. Many children will be attending school for the first time or moving up to secondary and beyond. When preparing for these big changes, it is so important to make sure that the transition is smooth, without stress and successful.

Students often have very real concerns and fears about moving to a new class or school. Talk with your child about how they are feeling, what are their worries or the things that excite and intrigue them. Listen, do not dismiss or judge, as any fears or joys are very real to your child no matter how small they may seem to you. Most often their concerns are about the practical not the academic challenges they will face: Where are the toilets? How will they know when to do what?, To whom do they go if they have a problem?, What happens if they miss the bus?, etc. Although seemingly overwhelming to the child, these are all easily resolved and offer a great opportunity for you to teach your child how to problem solve and find information.

As soon as practical, start addressing their concerns. Children need to feel safe and secure in any environment, especially a new and unknown one. Attend any intake, orientation and information sessions held by the school. Have maps and information about the school for your child. Websites, prospectuses, older friends who already attend the school, local press and general information on the internet are good resources to address the child's need. Knowledge is power and, in the case of young students, security and confidence.

How positive and secure your child feels and their attitude to and respect for the school and its staff, are set by you. How you feel about the value of education, attendance, homework, behaviour and responsibility will inform and shape your child's ability to succeed. As your young one will follow your lead, if they are your first to attend the school, ask for specific advice from their teachers/tutor, if you have any questions or concerns. The school's staff will have had a good range of experience with most aspects of any parent's or student's problems. It is valuable to develop a

comfortable communication with the teacher, tutor, head, etc. so that you always have a 'name' with whom to speak directly.

A new start, clean slate and a chance to be who they want to be are just some of the great opportunities that await a student to a new school. Many students find the chance to build new friendships, experience different extra-curricular activities, develop their skills and talents and explore a 'new world' a welcomed and exciting prospect. Just like setting off for a rather grand holiday, preparation is the key to enjoyment.

Below are some practical suggestions -

- Make sure to get all supplies as required. Starting the year prepared is very important. Buy appropriate but not extravagant materials as they will be used up and are often mislaid.
- If available, sign-up for a locker as it provides a secure place to keep items.
- Put name tags in and on EVERYTHING! If the school can't tell whom it belongs, it won't be returned if found.
- Check your home insurance policy to see if valuable items such as laptops, bicycles, phones, etc. are covered if lost or damaged. Take photos of the items and make a note of serial numbers and other pertinent information.
- School rules regarding uniform, hair, jewellery, makeup, shoes, coats, P.E. kit, and mobile phones are important. Disregarding them puts the student into conflict with the school and results in sanctions and discipline problems. Being out of uniform or disobeying regulations creates unpleasant interactions and brings unnecessary stress to the student.
- Before the term starts, ride the bus route, practice walking or riding their bike, drive to the school by several routes to know alternatives in case of delays, organise carpools or after school pick-ups to get accurate distances and times needed to keep from rushing and to ensure that your child knows where to be and how to get there.
- Make sure that you and your student have a copy of the school calendar/diary. Have a special place on the fridge, note-board, wall, etc. for school information and always put it there so you won't miss anything and can ensure that everyone is ready in time for activities and projects.
- Check school websites, sign-up for newsletters or school internet communications and do a test-run with any email or communication links.
- Complete personal information (special health and diet requirements are a must) and emergency contact sheets for the school and any day-care or friends who will be involved with your child.
- Teach your child their address, your emergency contact number and the name and contact information for an emergency friend. It helps to put all this on a card or sticker that they can keep with them.
- Most of all, smile! It is a great time and whether reception, secondary or a move to a new school, it can be a wonderful, positive and exceptional learning experience for all.



Building Work Update

You are probably thinking that very little progress is being made with our building work and you would be correct! As part of the planning conditions a number of drainage tests had to be undertaken before any work can start on foundations. This is because the plans include a lot of hard surface area and it's important to ensure that any storm water will be able to drain away from the site without flooding the school. You will have noticed the fenced off area for the drainage test at the back of the school and there are also several at the front of the school. Unfortunately, the water didn't drain quite as it should so it was back to the drawing board for a while. This problem has now been resolved but the builders are now busy tracing all the cobweb of utility pipes before they can start to dig. Once this is done we expect to see rapid progress.

All the complications have delayed the schedule by about 3½ weeks and this impacts on the work that needs to be done during the summer break when the school is closed. During the break the school site will be inaccessible as the

new road layout is installed, changes made to the car park and work started on the site of the new hall behind reception. In order to make up some time, it is likely that work will start on the carpark before the end of term. Safety as always will be our highest priority and we will keep everyone informed if we need to alter routes into school.

Just to reassure everyone, our beautiful Remembrance Garden will be redesigned and installed to a permanent spot once the building work is complete - we will seek advice about the design from the company who installed the garden for us originally. For this November which marks the 100th anniversary of the Armistice, we will locate the garden in a temporary location for our annual Remembrance service. We have applied to the Military Covenant Grant Scheme for funding for some special 100th anniversary silhouettes which will make the service even more special – fingers crossed that we are successful.

Daily listening
to your child
reading.



Holidays
as
well!