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Lowe's Wong Infant School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school, I hope that you all had a super summer. May I extend a special welcome to all of our new families joining us this year, we hope your child will be very happy at Lowe's Wong Infant School.

This year I will once again e-mail the newsletter out every Wednesday. Newsletters are also available on our school website www.lwi.org.uk in the "About Us" section, under "Latest News". In addition to this, we will continue to use our text system, so please make sure that your contact details are up to date.

Information is also available on the Anomaly Board (the electronic notice board on the playground), and on our Facebook page. If you wish to join the Facebook Group, you need to search for "Lowe's Wong Infant School", go to "Groups" and then request to join. This group is only for parents, carers, staff and Governors of this school, and there are three qualifying questions which you must answer before your membership of the group will be approved.



Class Arrangements for this Year

This term the children are in six classes, which are arranged as follows:

- Miss Limer & Mrs Cunningham, Red Room – Y2
- Mrs Roche & Mrs Cunningham, Violet Room – Y2
- Mrs McCann & Mrs Marshall, Orange Room – Y1
- Mr Hudson-Jones & Mrs Cunningham, Green Room – Y1
- Mrs Macintyre, Rainbow Room – F2 (Reception)
- Mrs Segasby, Yellow Room – F2 (Reception)

The teachers' e-mail addresses can be found on our website www.lwi.org.uk If you click on the "Children" tab at the top of the home screen, and then click on "Class Pages" in the drop down menu, you can select your child's class. In this section you will also find information about what your child is learning each week.



Book Bags, Reading Books, and Reading Awards

Please make sure that your child brings their Book Bag to school every day, they will also be given a Learning Journal to keep in their Book Bag. At the front of the Learning Journal there is a space for you to write regular "Going Home Arrangements" and also a section letting you know on which day your child will do Ball Skills and PE.

Reading books will be sent home soon. When your child reads their reading book with you at home, please make sure that you record this in the "Reading at Home" section for that week. There is also a section where the teachers will let you know what reading your child has done in school, and a place for you to write any messages from home (for example play dates or changes

to usual collection arrangements). We will be continuing with our Reading Awards for reading at home this year. Like last year, there will be three awards, a Bronze Award for reading 25 times, a Silver Award for reading 75 times, and a Gold Award for reading 130 times.



Water Bottles

Please can the children bring a water bottle to school every day, this should be filled with water (not squash or juice). School water bottles are available from the Office, or children may choose to bring a bottle from home if they prefer. Please make sure that the bottle they bring is one that they can open easily themselves, and is clearly labelled with their name, thank you.



Pupil Premium Grant

Children of parents and carers who are in receipt of certain benefits may be entitled to the Pupil Premium Grant. This grant entitles children to extra support in school, free milk, and reduced cost school visits and after school clubs. If you think you may be entitled to this grant, please contact the School Office and we can give you more information.

Children whose parents work in His Majesty's Armed Forces, children who are 'Looked After', and children who are recently adopted, are also entitled to this grant, so if you think your child should receive this funding please notify the School Office as soon as possible, thank you.



Nuts in school

Please can parents and carers be aware that we have several children in school who are allergic to nuts. We therefore ask that children do not bring any nuts, or foods containing nuts, in their packed lunches or snack, thank you.



School Times

School starts at **8.55am** each morning, and the classroom doors are opened at 8.50am. For security reasons the doors are locked at 9am, so if you arrive after that time, please bring your child to the School Office. School finishes at 3.30pm each day.



Names please!

Everyone looks very smart in their school uniform today, but please can I ask parents and carers to make sure that their child's uniform is clearly named – particularly sweatshirts and cardigans, thank you.



Lunchtime i-pad Club for Y1 & Y2 children

Sarah Mason will once again be running a lunchtime i-pad club on Friday lunchtimes for children in Y1 and Y2. The club will start again on Friday, 13 September, and the children will have the opportunity to use apps that build on numeracy, literacy, programming skills, and their creativity. Sessions last for 30 minutes and each session costs £3.95, (children in receipt of the Pupil Premium Grant may pay a reduced cost). All i-pads are provided, and the children use new apps each half term. Places are limited so if your child would like to join i-pad club, please forward their name and class to the School Office or email Sarah direct on littlebramleys@yahoo.co.uk



Tour of Britain

On Friday, the Tour of Britain is passing through Southwell and is actually going right past school! We are going to give the children a slightly early lunch and then taken out on to the pedestrian ramp to watch the race.



PE Kits and Ball Skills Kits

On the day of their Ball Skills lesson with Natalie, please can children come to school in an outdoor P.E. kit (t-shirt, joggers, trainers and their school cardigan or sweatshirt). Long hair must be tied back, and any jewellery should be removed or taped up.

The days of the Ball Skills lessons are as follows:

Monday – Red Room & Violet Room

Wednesday – Orange Room, Green Room, Yellow Room & Rainbow Room

Children also need an indoor P.E. kit in school for their other P.E. lesson, this should be shorts and a t-shirt in a small bag, which will stay in school until the half term holiday.



Early Childhood Services Survey

Early Childhood Services has launched a short survey to seek the views of parents and carers to help review wraparound childcare places in Nottinghamshire. The survey is open until 3rd November 2024 and it is anticipated to take about five minutes to complete.

The feedback will help to review the current levels of wraparound care, and take steps to increase the number of places available if needed.

The survey can be accessed vis the link below, and your support would be much appreciated.

[Wraparound and holiday childcare places for primary school aged children - Nottinghamshire County Council - Citizen Space](#)



Clubs in School

This term we are offering several clubs in school, the children in Y1 and Y2 will bring home letters today about After School Football and School Choir, and Mrs Butler has sent e-mails to Y1 and y2 about Spanish Club and French Club.

Finally, with this newsletter there are the letters for Yellow, Rainbow, Red and Violet Rooms about their Enquiry Themes for this half term.

I am really looking forward to working with you all this year, and do please remember to say “hi” when I am on the gate!

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Headteacher



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