

Weekly newsletter



Friday 13th
October
2017



Going for Gold Assembly

Awards for the week ending 6th October

Pupil of the week:

Reception	Samuel Arroyo	Year 1	Mia Grimes
Year 2	Megan Wilkinson	Year 3	Elise Ip
Year 4	Alissa Collier	Year 5	Millie Pilkington
Year 6	Jonathan Hill		

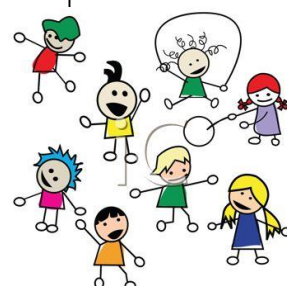
Playground Awards:

KS1 Indoor	Aaron Smith	KS1 Outdoor	Alfie Litherland
KS2 Indoor	Daniel Boydell	KS2 Outdoor	Chelsey Shirley

Attendance Award:

Year 2

Well done everyone



Parents' Evenings 16th and 17th October

Everyone has been allocated an appointment for one of the Parents' Evenings irrespective of whether their form was returned or not, as we feel these evenings provide a very valuable chance to ask questions and find out how you can support your child with their learning. Please contact the school office if you are unsure of your allocated time. Thank you.

Operation Christmas Child

It's that time of the year again when we start to think about collecting shoe boxes to help the Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Appeal. You should have received a leaflet this week, which explains what you can do to help and we hope you will encourage the children to join in supporting this worthwhile cause. If you need a shoe box, then please ask in the school office. The deadline for returning the boxes is Friday 3rd November, the week after half term. Thank you for helping us to support this super charity.



Data Collection Sheets

We are still missing quite a few updated data collection sheets. Please return these to the school office ASAP. It is vital that if you change your phone number you inform the office immediately. We need up to date contact details in case we need to contact you if your child is ill. Thank you.



Poetry Week

Poetry week is starting on Monday! We are looking forward to welcoming poet, Ian Bland. I am sure that Ian will do an excellent job inspiring the children. Don't forget our "Off By Heart Competition" please help your child as much as possible to memorise their poems.

PTFA Family Spooktacular

The PTFA are hosting a Family Spooktacular on Friday, 20th October at Lowton Village Club from 7.00-10.00pm.

Come along and enjoy the disco and games, fancy dress is optional. Tickets are available for £3 per person from the school office. Due to the unprecedented demand for tickets for last year's event we took the decision to move it to the Social Club which can hold lots more people. As this event was so popular last year please get your tickets early to avoid disappointment.

As this is a family event, all children must be accompanied by an adult.



Class Photographs

On Tuesday 10th October, Tempest came into school and took photographs of each year group. It is likely to be after half-term before the proofs are back for you to see.

We have held back the Reception orders for the Leigh Observer photographs in case any parents would prefer to order the Tempest class photo. All orders will be sent once you have had the opportunity to choose.



Old £1 Coins

Please note that from 15th October, the old style £1 coins will no longer be legal tender. Therefore with immediate effect we will no longer be able to accept these coins in school. You will only be able to exchange the coins for a short period of time after this date.



Reception Garden Area

We still need pine cones, conkers, and acorns so don't forget to send these in to school for Mrs Churton to decorate the Reception garden area. Thank you.

Lowton J & I App

We hope you are finding our new school App useful. If you are unsure of how to download it pop into school and the office staff will be pleased to help you.

After School Clubs

The letters have gone out this week for the after school clubs which will start week commencing Monday 30th October and run for 6 weeks until Friday 8th December. Please ensure you send the forms back as soon as possible as places will be limited. Thank you.



Individual and Sibling Photographs

If you would like to place an order for your child's photograph please send the order form into school with payment by Monday 16th October, otherwise you will have to order online and there will be a late order and postage charge. Thank you.



Local Food bank

On Thursday, our local food bank came and spoke to the children about the work they do. Unfortunately, at present they are currently experiencing low levels of supplies due to families struggling financially at this time of year. We will therefore be collecting non-perishable food and other items on Monday 16th October so would be really grateful if you could help us. The Community Room will be open for donations on this day. Thank you for your support.

At Lowton J & I we aim for all children to have 96% attendance or over.

The school's overall attendances for each year group are:

Year Group	Last Week	Yearly Attendance to Date
Reception	94.64%	97.45%
Year 1	98.33%	98.26%
Year 2	99.29%	98.07%
Year 3	96.21%	98.10%
Year 4	97.00%	96.67%
Year 5	95.16%	94.83%
Year 6	97.00%	96.11%

Dates for your diary

Monday 16 th – Friday 20 th October	Poetry week
Monday 16 th October	Parents' Evening
Tuesday 17 th October	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 18 th October	Poet Ian Bland in school to work with all children
Friday 20 th October	School closes for half-term holiday
Friday 20 th October	PTFA Halloween party at Lowton Village Club 7.00pm
Monday 30 th October	School reopens 8.45am
Monday 6 th November	Reception and KS1 Maths meeting for Parents
Tuesday 7 th November	KS2 Maths meeting for Parents
Friday 10 th November	Wear your own clothes day – chocolate donations for Christmas Fair
Monday 20 th November	M & M Pantomime in school – Robin Hood for all children
Saturday 25 th November	PTFA Christmas Fair 12.00-3.00pm
Friday 1 st December	Parents' Decorate the Christmas Tree Assembly



More information will be available on the school website (www.lowtonprimary.wigan.sch.uk) and in future newsletters regarding school activities.

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