

Weekly newsletter



Friday 17th
November
2017



Going for Gold Assembly

Awards for the week ending 10th November

Pupil of the week:

Reception	Charlie Brew	Year 1	Jasmine Shiel
Year 2	Bradley Moister	Year 3	Teona Bate
Year 4	Emerson Wilson-Vardy	Year 5	Zach Gardner
Year 6	Aaron Williams		

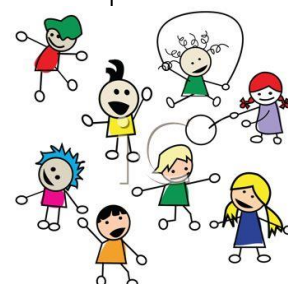
Playground Awards:

KS1 Indoor	Emelia Farrimond	KS1 Outdoor	Oliver Middleton-Adams
KS2 Indoor	Eva Broom	KS2 Outdoor	Callum Morris

Attendance Award:

Year 5

Well done everyone



M & M Productions Pantomime

We are all looking forward to our annual Pantomime performed by the travelling theatre company M & M Productions. This year's performance, "Robin Hood" is on Monday 20th November. If you have not yet sent in your contribution of £5.00 per child, please can you arrange to do so as soon as possible. Thank you.

PTFA Christmas Fair

The annual Christmas Fair organised by the PTFA will be held on Saturday 25th November from 12-3.00pm. Father Christmas will be there in his Grotto along with the usual games, crafts, stalls and café. The Christmas raffle will be drawn at the fair, tickets were sent home on Tuesday.



Welcome

A very big Lowton J & I welcome to Ollie Haggerty who has joined our Year 2 class this week. We hope you will be very happy here Ollie.

Thank you from the PTFA

A very big thank you to everyone for your donations last Friday for the Christmas Fair Chocolate Tombola. This year your very generous donations mean we have more chocolate than ever to ticket and put on the stall. Thank you

Christmas Events

Our very popular "Decorate the Christmas Tree" assembly will be held at 9.00am on Friday 1st December and everyone is welcome to attend. Please make sure you check the "dates for your diary" on the newsletter and also on the school website so you are aware of all the events in school in the run up to Christmas. If you need any further information then please do not hesitate to contact the school office.



Well done to our Basketball team

Last week seven of our Y6s took part in an inter-school basketball competition. They came a fantastic fourth out of eleven other local schools. We also received an email from the host school complimenting them on their fantastic behaviour and sportsmanship. Well done Kiera Balmer, Sophie Chan, Ellie Dutton, Mckenzie Rihia, Daniel Boydel, Kai Fairhurst and Jack Holcroft, you were wonderful representatives for our school.

Advance Notice

KS2 SATS week next year (2018) is the week beginning Monday 14th May 2018. Phonics testing week for Y1/2 (2018) is the week beginning Monday 11th June 2018. It is important that all children are in school during those weeks.

Reception and KS1 Christmas Performances

All the parents of Reception and KS1 children should have received a letter advising of the dates and times of this year's Christmas Performances. Tickets as detailed in the letter will be on sale from Monday 27th November at a cost of £2.00 each (children under 3 are free as long as they sit on an adults knee) with any surplus tickets being on sale from Monday 4th December on a first come first served basis. If you need any further information, please contact the school office.

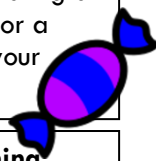
Christmas Raffle

Tickets were sent home on Tuesday this week; please support our amazing PTFA by selling as many tickets as possible. We have spare tickets in the school office if you need anymore. The completed stubs and money need to be returned to the office together with any unsold tickets ASAP. As well as the prizes detailed on the tickets there are many more e.g. a spa experience, "I Love to Shop" vouchers, meal vouchers etc. As the saying goes, "You have to be in it to win it!" 😊



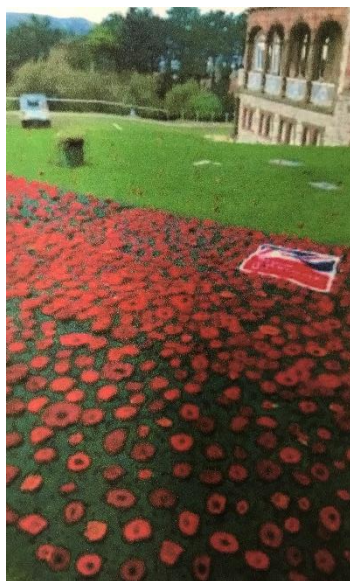
Sweets and chocolate bars

Please can we remind you that packets of sweets and chocolate bars are not allowed in lunchboxes. Children may bring a chocolate covered biscuit or a cake bar. Thank you for your support with this.



Parents' Open Morning

We are having an Open Morning on **Thursday 21st December** between 9.00 -10.00am. You are very welcome to visit your child's classroom and look at their books and work.



Well done Mrs Blinkhorn

The Blind Veteran Society wanted to create a field of knitted or crocheted poppies for Remembrance Day. This society is very important to Mrs Blinkhorn, one of our support staff, as her son in law sadly had an accident that resulted in the loss of his sight. With the help of some of her friends, Mrs Blinkhorn crocheted approximately one hundred poppies to donate to the display. Well done Mrs Blinkhorn.

Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone who bought a poppy for the Royal British Legion Appeal last week. We sold every poppy in the box! The children and staff looked very smart wearing their poppies.

Consultation on Admission Arrangements

Wigan Council have started the consultation period on admissions for 2019-20. You can view the proposed admission arrangements by visiting www.wigan.gov.uk. Alternatively, if you are unable to view these online you can request a paper version or other format of the consultation by contacting the School Organisation Team on 01942 489013.

Wigan & Leigh Hospice Christmas Teddies

We are once again selling teddies for Wigan & Leigh Hospice and these will be on sale from Monday 20th November 2017. There is a choice of teddies or gingerbread men and they are £2 each. All proceeds will go to the Hospice charity. Thank you.



Weekly Newsletter

Don't forget copies of newsletters and all letters sent home are on the school website so you can always check there if you misplace the original. Or, why not download our App and have them sent straight to your phone – ask at the office if you are unsure of how to do this.

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	97.86%	96.29%
Year 1	98.67%	97.58%
Year 2	87.86%	96.39%
Year 3	96.45%	97.78%
Year 4	98.33%	97.42%
Year 5	99.68%	95.65%
Year 6	99.00%	95.72%

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Dates for your diary

Monday 20 th November	M & M Pantomime in school – Robin Hood for all children
Thursday 23 rd November	Whole school assembly with the local PcSOs
Saturday 25 th November	PTFA Christmas Fair 12.00-3.00pm
Week beginning 27 th November	Timetables and Number bonds week
Friday 1 st December	Parents' Decorate the Christmas Tree Assembly
Tuesday 5 th December	Pop Project – Christmas Song book – for all children
Thursday 7 th December	Y6 parents' meeting on preparing for puberty at 2.15pm
Tuesday 12 th December	Reception & KS1 Christmas performance 2.00pm
Wednesday 13 th December	Reception Christmas performance 6.00pm
Thursday 14 th December	KS1 (Y1 & 2) Christmas performance 6.00pm
Tuesday 19 th December	Grandparents' Afternoon Tea 2.00pm
Wednesday 20 th December	Pupil of the Term Assembly 9.00am
Wednesday 20 th December	School Christmas Dinner
Thursday 21 st December	Parents' Open Morning 9.00–10.00 am
Thursday 21 st December	PTFA Christmas Party for all children
Thursday 21 st December	School Closes for Christmas Holidays
Friday 5 th January 2018	INSET DAY – school closed to pupils
Monday 8 th January 2018	School reopens to children
Tuesday 13 th February 2018	Pop Project – Great British Literature for whole school
Thursday 15 th February 2018	M & M Productions – The Lion, the witch and the wardrobe
Friday 16 th February 2018	Parents' Open Morning 9.00–10.00 am
Friday 16 th February 2018	School closes for half-term holiday
Monday 26 th February 2018	School reopens



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