



Lowerplace Primary School Newsletter 4

Friday 20th October 2023

(fortnightly publication)

Ms Martin's Update

Dear Families,

I can't believe we have already reached the end of the first half term. As we come to the end of the half term, it is a good time to reflect on some of our children's achievements. I have been visiting the classes throughout the half term talking to the children about their learning and looking at their books. It is clear to see that our children have settled well into their new classes and are eager to learn. Next half term you will have an opportunity to look at your children's books when you attend parents evening.

We are hoping that by the end of today our collection of lost property will have been claimed. Please can I encourage you to spend some time at half term making sure that all your children's uniform including coats are named. It's really hard to reunite children with lost clothing if they are not named. Thanks in advance for your support with this.

Our Harvest Celebration

This week we celebrated Harvest with special KS1 and KS2 assemblies. We thought about where our food came from, who helped get our food onto our plate and gave thanks for all the hard work of everyone involved. This year we decided to support the Rochdale Foodbank who collect items to feed people who are struggling. The service they provide has an enormous impact on the people who use it, giving them an important breathing space at a time of need. We'd like to say a big thank you to all our families for their generous donations. In these uncertain times, many families are turning to Foodbanks for help. We know that our donation has been greatly appreciated.



Wishing everyone a restful and enjoyable half term holiday.

Kind regards

Ms Martin
Headteacher

Attendance matters!

*It is important that your child gets to school on time
and you aim for 100% attendance!*

Applications for High School places for September 2024

To do this you will need to visit the Rochdale Council School Admissions website and make an online application. The application closes on 31st October 2023.

<https://www.rochdale.gov.uk/school-admissions-appeals/apply-secondary-school-place>

Applying for a place in the Reception Class at Lower-place for Sept 2024

This also has to be done online with Rochdale LA. Details can be found at:

<https://www.rochdale.gov.uk/school-admissions-appeals/apply-primary-school-place>

This process is managed by Rochdale LA and not the school.

Attendance Matters



How well is your child's class is doing against our school target which is at present at 94%?

Class % attendance							
Week 09/10/23							
RA	91.6	2A	95.1	4A	94.5	6A	94.7
RB	93.9	2B	97.3	4B	97.3	6B	91.7
RC	93.2	2C	92.4	4C	86.7		
1A	77.6	3A	93.7	5A	96.3		
1B	93.9	3B	93.9	5B	89.7		
1C	96.0	3C	91.3	5C	94.3		

How does our whole school attendance compare to the national average?

Week beg	National	School
2/10	95.2	93.9
9/10	95.2	92.8

Well done to 1c, 2a, 2b, 4b & 5a for meeting or exceeding the national average.

It is important that you try to ensure your child is in school everyday.

If you are having difficulties, please speak to a member of staff and we can see if we can help.

Parent Governor Nominations

You will have received a letter inviting parents, guardians and carers of registered pupils to put their names forward for election to serve as parent governors of this school. Please consider if this is something you would be interested in. Nominations need to be handed in by **Tuesday 31/10/23**.

Parent Governors are elected by parents and are vital to our governing body. On behalf of the governing body, we look forward to welcoming new parent governors to the board.

Dates for the diary

We hope you find the calendar of upcoming events helpful. Please pin this to your fridge/add the events to your own calendar.

Dates	Event/Activity (Anything new is in red)
Wednesday 13.09.2023	Pupil Photographs— Individual & family
Thursday 14.09.2023	Reception Welcome Meeting at (3.30pm—4pm)
Thursday 21.09.2023	Year 6 SATs Parent Meetings
Week beginning 25.09.2023	Y1—6 Meet the Teacher Meetings (3.30pm—4pm)
Thursday 28.09.2023	Parent Math's Workshop
Friday 29.09.2023	Macmillan Coffee Morning
Thursday 05.10.2023	Parent Year 4 MTC Meeting at 4pm
Thursday 12.10.2023	Reception Reading meeting at 3.30pm in the KS2 hall
Wednesday day 18.10.2023	Year 1 & Year 2 Phonics Meeting
Thursday 19.10.2023	1b Parent Assembly
Half Term Monday 23rd October—Friday 27th October (+ Mon 30th—Inset)	
Monday 30th October	INSET Day (school closed to children)
Thursday 16.11.2023	Parents Evening
Friday 17.11.2023	Children in Need Day
Thursday 23.11.2023	5a Parents Assembly
Friday 01.12.2023	Parent and Child Christmas Decoration morning
Thursday 14.12.2023	Year 2 Nativity
Tuesday 19.12.2023	Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 20.12.2023	Reception Christmas Songs
Christmas Holidays Monday 25th December—Friday 5th January 2024 (+ Mon 8th —Inset)	
Monday 8th January	INSET Day (school closed to children)