

Message from Mr Merry

Welcome to our second newsletter. I will be sending out a fortnightly round up of news to keep you up to date of any key dates or information you will need. You can also find information on our website and download our APP from the APP store by going to school Jotter and typing in New Lubbethorpe Primary School. Instructions for this can also be found on our school website at www.newlubbethorpe.leics.sch.uk and updates and photos will be on our twitter feed @NLPrimary. Our new school telephone number is 0116 216 9963 so please use this number for all telephone communications.

May I take this opportunity to thank all the Children, Parents and Staff for making our first week, so successful. The children looked so smart in their school uniforms and they are a credit to all of us.

Thank you for parking and entering the drop-off points in the correct way. New signage has been ordered and we look forward to seeing this in action.

It has been a pleasure to meet and greet everyone in the mornings and after school. This seems to be working really well. If it is wet, we will open the gates so you can shelter under the EYFS covering within the outdoor area. School opening times in the morning are 8.50am and the gates will open at 8.45am. Children can be collected at 3.15pm and the gates will be opened at 3.10pm.

Sunrise and Sunset Clubs

Before and After school wrap around care:

Before and after school wrap around clubs seem to be working and operating well. Thank you to all of you who have chosen to use this facility. Sunrise Club starts at 7.45am and Sunset Club is 3.15pm until 5.30pm. If you wish to use this facility you can collect booking forms from the school office.

New School – Building Update

The tarmac at the front of the school should have or will shortly be completed, making the front of the school look much better.

The lighting and school name has been repaired and is all working correctly now.

We will have some work done to the carpark entrance of the school shortly which will involve some digging of the ground and remedial work allowing our electrical cables to be capped and finalised.

Snagging will continue throughout the year and we may have trades people supervised on and off the site throughout this period. The majority of works will be carried out when there are no children in school.

School Meals



Leicestershire Traded Services will be providing all the hot dinners for the children which will be cooked on site. If your child has any dietary requirements, please email Mrs McDonald in the school office and she will have a form for you to complete.

Lost Property

One of our pupil's coats has been mislaid —the coat is a red reversible New Lubbethorpe coat - can you please check at home and if you find it please return to the school office or at the classrooms. Please ensure all items of children's clothing is named. Thank you.

New Staff

The Staff are all settling in very well and we have really appreciated your support and kind words. Thank you.

Official Opening

We are delighted to announce that there will be an official opening ceremony for New Lubbethorpe Primary School on Friday 4th October at 2.30pm. This will be an exciting event to celebrate the opening of the school for all the staff, pupils and governors and we warmly welcome our parents to join us. The ceremony will be followed by a tour of the school and refreshments for everyone in the hall.

Agenda:

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| 2.30pm | Arrival in the School Hall |
| 2.45pm | Presentation in School Hall |
| 3.00pm | Main school entrance for the official opening and cutting of ribbon by Sue Steer - Community Pioneer, Mrs Cherry Gibbs - Representative of the Drummond family and School members |
| 3.15pm | Parents to collect pupils as normal from classrooms |
| | Refreshments in School Hall |
| 3.45pm | Tours of the building |

Phonics & Reading Session

All parents are invited to attend our phonics and reading session on Wednesday 25th September at 3:15pm-4.00pm. This will be an opportunity for us to share information about our phonics programme and offer advice on how to help your child at home with the development of their reading. If you are attending this event, please collect your child as normal at the end of the day and then enter the classroom ready for the session. We will also have an Usborne books retailer at the event – any books purchased on the afternoon will help towards free books being provided to the school.

School Uniform

We believe that our uniform encourages a sense of pride in appearance and a feeling of belonging to the school family. This assists in developing high standards in other aspects of school life. All children are expected to wear our uniform and the rules concerning uniform are very clear and continually enforced.

Please can I remind you to name all of your children's belongings. This will make it easier for us to ensure they all get the right clothes back at the end of the day. Also, we will be helping the children to get dressed and undressed as necessary but please could you help them practice at home as this will especially help with toileting.

You can purchase directly from **www.yourschooluniform.com** or you can also call in at the office for information or see our uniform page on our school website.

We have ordered iron logos and we will inform you when these have arrived for those parents who wish to purchase these items.

New School Interim Governors

We will be looking at setting up local governing body on September 18th during our first official meeting. Our governance structures across all of the schools within the OWLS Multi Academy Trust are described below. We will be following our Articles of Association to set up a new local governing body for New Lubbethorpe.

This will be:

A Local Governing Body with a maximum of
14 members allowing for
1 Head Teacher
4 Parent Governors
3 Staff Governors
6 Co-opted Governors.
All Local Governing Bodies should then aim
to have at least 12 governors in position;
that is to say that the operational minimum
should be 12 governors.



We will share with you the makeup of our governing body as soon as it has been established, introducing you to the governing body. This will then be place upon our school website.

School Photos

Our school photographer was here yesterday and the children's photo proofs will be out to you very soon.

School Garden

We are starting to plan our school garden and the first development will start on Monday 23rd September with the planting of our Leicestershire Heritage apple trees, almond trees and plum trees. The children will be involved in the planting and we ask all children to bring their wellies and coats to school on Monday 23rd September. Going forward we are looking for volunteers to help develop and maintain our garden area. If you or any family members are interested in getting involved please speak to Mrs Diane McDonald in the school office.

PE Kit

Could all children please bring their PE kit into school on a Monday morning and leave in school until Friday afternoon. This will save the children carrying it every day. For your reference Miss Frearsons PE is on Thursday and Mrs Gittins is on Friday every week. If your child wears earrings please ensure they are taped over on the day of PE – thank you.

Reminders

Holidays: Please remember that term time holidays cannot be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances. Any requests for leave should be put in writing in writing at least 4 weeks before the start of the requested absence.

Twitter: Follow us for regular updates about what we get up to! Search @NewLubbesthorpePrimary

Dates for Your Diary

September

Wednesday 18th	6pm Governors Meeting
Monday 23rd September	Planting of fruit trees – all pupils require wellies and coats please.
Wednesday 25th September	Phonics & Reading session 3.15-4.00pm all parents welcome

October

Wednesday 2nd October	Full Governors Meeting
Friday 4th October	Official opening of New Lubbesthorpe Primary School
Monday 7th October	School tours 10.00am with Mr Merry for September 2020 starters
Tuesday 8th October	Maths session 3.15-4.00pm all parents welcome
Friday 11th October	Time Capsule 3.00pm – all parents welcome
Monday 14th – Friday 18th	Half Term – school closed to all pupils
Tuesday 22nd October	Parents evenings 3.15-5.30pm – booking forms to follow
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Wednesday 30th October	Stay and Play session for parents 9.00-10.00am Finance governors meeting 5.00pm

November

Sunday 24th November	Community Light Switch On – Feature Square / Hub & Christmas Craft Fair in the School Hall 3-7pm
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December

Friday 13th December	Nativity Performance to parents 2.00pm
Monday 16th December	Christmas Dinner and party afternoon for all pupils
Friday 20th December	School closes for Christmas break 3.15pm
Monday 6th January	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 7th January:	School re-opens to pupils

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