



# Ladbroke Primary School

Friday 4th September



## HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

### WELCOME BACK—IT IS SO LOVELY TO SEE YOU ALL

Never has a welcome back message been so warmly meant! It was absolutely lovely to welcome everyone back yesterday after such a long time away from school. The children all came in looking pleased and happy to be back (if some were a little anxious) but every child I spoke to at the end of the day said they had enjoyed their day which was lovely.

A very special welcome to all our new children, it was lovely to meet you all yesterday and I am looking forward to getting to know all our new families over the coming years.

Thank you for your patience whilst we try and navigate all the new procedures and policies that we have had to put in place. It is one thing writing things on a piece of paper and quite another actually working them though with the children. Fortunately most of the routines seem to work and with a little bit of tweaking, I am sure we will be in our new routine very soon.

There was a little bit of confusion at the end of the day for KS2 parents (Y3-Y6). Please would you ensure that you talk to your child about whether you are going to come onto the school site and meet them on the playground or if you are going to wait at the gate and the children will walk up to you. If your child is going to be walking to the gate, please let them know where you will be waiting. For the first few days/weeks, I will be at the front gate so if there are any problems, I will be there to support. I have included drop off times and pick up times as a reminder later in this letter.

We are all looking forward to a full and exciting year this year.



### GOOD NEWS IS ON ITS WAY



Over the holidays, we have been in discussions with a local construction company regarding the devastating news that our contractors (who we employed to build our new building) went into liquidation. I am hoping to bring you some very exciting news soon. Watch this space!

#### School Uniform

The children are all looking very smart. Thank you for ensuring that they are in the correct uniform.

**PLEASE WOULD YOU ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD'S NAME IS IN EACH ITEM OF CLOTHING.**

Whilst the weather is still nice, summer uniform can still be worn. Please note that only Ladbroke polo shirts should be worn, plain white polo shirts are not school uniform. If your child is wearing a shirt, then



they should also be wearing a tie.



PE kits MUST be worn on days your child has PE (see table on the right). Please no legging - tracksuit bottoms only.

Thank you for your support in

#### Changes to School Uniform

PE kits MUST be worn on days your child has PE (see table below)

Thank you for your support in this matter.

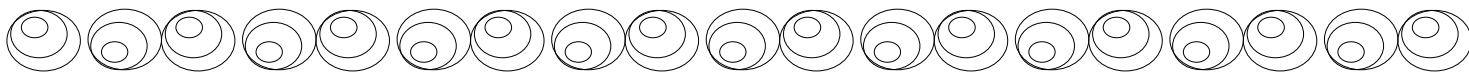
Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Tues	Tues	Thurs	Tues	Wed	Wed
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If your child has a club on any day that they do not have PE, they can wear their trainers to school and do the club in uniform and trainers.

If your child is going to football training on Thursday (boys) and Friday (Girls) due to this being on the field, the children will be allowed to bring in kits to change into if it is not their PE day and would therefore be coming in PE kit anyway. This will be stored on their pegs.

Thank you for your support.





### Communicating and Paying Online Through The School Gateway



As well as our main way of communicating with you, the School Gateway is our online payment system. This means that you can make online payments via the School Gateway smartphone app or website for school dinners and some trips. For juniors, you are also able to view school meal balances and top them up at any time. It is also possible to give online consent where required, for your child to take part in activities, school trips and to book onto after school and morning clubs.

**Please could you make sure you have download this new app to your phone (it's free).**

The set-up process is simple and will take no more than a couple of minutes

- Search for "School Gateway" in the Apple App Store/Google Play or on your phone go to [www.schoolgateway.com/apple](http://www.schoolgateway.com/apple) (Apple) or [www.schoolgateway.com/android](http://www.schoolgateway.com/android) (Android)
- Install the app and if you are asked then say yes to "Allow Push Notifications"
- When you launch School Gateway for the first time, please select 'New User' and enter the email address and mobile telephone number you have registered with the school
- The system will send a PIN code to your phone; please enter this PIN code and the app will be activated for you.

### Parent Information Leaflets

You should receive a copy of your child's class information leaflet by Friday 11th September. This leaflet explains what the children will be covering this term. If you have any questions, please email the class teacher and they will get back to you as soon as possible. If your message/question is urgent, please email the school office.

*Hello!*

### Dropping off and Picking Up Reminders

This year we have staggered starts to school

KS2 - 8.30 to 8.45

KS1- 8.45 to 9.00

Reception and Nursery 9.00 to 9.15



If you have a child in **KS1** and **KS2** please bring them into school as close to 8.45 as possible.

If you have a child in **Reception/Nursery** and **KS1**, please bring them in as close to 9.00 as possible

*I am sorry but if you arrive too early then you will have to wait to send your younger child into school.*

If you have a child in **Reception/Nursery** and **KS2** please bring them in as close to 8.45am as possible

Reception/Nursery and KS1 Pick up 3.00pm

KS2 pick Up 3.15pm

As we currently have 2 pick up times we are aware that this means some parents will have to wait to collect an older child. We know this is inconvenient and we had said that parents could collect both children at the earlier time but this has proved disruptive at the end of the day so can we please ask for your patience and understanding whilst we have a staggered pick up. Make sure your child knows where you will be waiting for them and we will try to be as prompt as possible when dismissing the children.

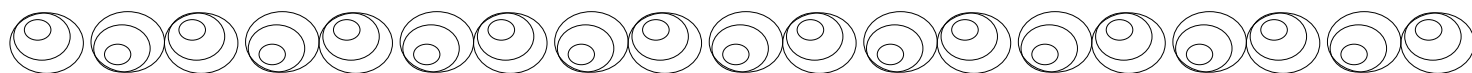


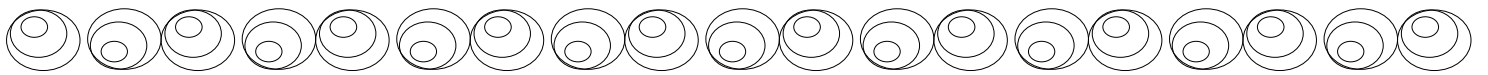
### Reminders - Dinner Money



Just a reminder that dinner money is now £2.50 a day. All dinner money is paid through the school gateway

Thank You





# KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE!

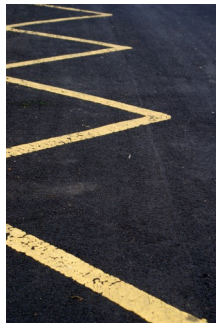
**Please take the time to read these reminders and share them with your children. All of the points below are made in your children's best interest and we hope you will support us with them.**

## ZIG ZAGS

Please do not park or drop off on the zig zags at any time of the day and for any length of time.

This includes when you are picking up from after school club.

The zig zag lines are there to ensure that the crossing is kept clear and children can be seen by cars as well as children being able to see cars coming down Watkins Rise and the car park.



## SCOOTING/CYCLING ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

We encourage children to scooter/cycle to school as part of a healthy lifestyle. If your child is scooting/cycling to school, please remind them that **scooting/cycling on the site is not permitted**. On arriving at the school gate, please ensure that your child gets off their scooter/bike and walks it to the storage area behind the school hall.

Thank You.

## VISITING THE SCHOOL OFFICE / SPEAKING TO TEACHERS

For the time being we are having to restrict the number of adults coming into the school building. If you have anything you need to drop into the office, please give it to Miss Webster who will be at the main front entrance each morning. If you need to speak to the office in person, please email the office to arrange a time to come in.

If you need to let the teacher know anything, you can record this in their home diary or send them an email. If it is urgent sent the message to the office or talk to Miss Webster. If you need to arrange a meeting, this can be done via an email.



Thank You



## PARKING IN THE CAR PARK OUTSIDE SCHOOL

We are very lucky to have any car park at all outside our school but I do understand how frustrating it is when you are unable to park. Some parents are double parking in the car park, which is fine **IF** you stay in the car to wait for your child. Under no circumstances should you leave your car



unattended blocking another car in. **Can I also remind you not to park in the Mayfair Lodge car park at any time.**

