



Ladbroke Primary School

Friday 11th September



HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

Welcome Back

Welcome back to a new school year. I hope that you have all had a relaxing summer and are now getting back into the school routine. A special welcome goes to all our new children and parents. I hope that you have all had a successful start in the school. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher or come and speak to me.

This year we welcome three new staff members to our team, joining our fabulous team of teaching assistants. Welcome to Mrs Kinlay who will be working in Y6, and Mrs Mahmoudi and Mrs Ericson who will be working in year one. We hope they will be very happy working with us.

This year, as a school, we will be continuing all the amazing work from last year but have 3 main priorities that we will be focused on.

We will be looking at adaptations across the curriculum and how we can support and challenge children even more in lessons.

We will be focused on raising standard in oracy in the school, helping children to develop a love of language and a wide vocabulary.

Our final priority will be looking at what additional enrichment opportunities we can bring to Ladbroke either to enhance the curriculum or strengthen our out of hours offer.

Finally, Thank you to all the parents who have spoken to me since I announced I would be leaving Ladbroke at the end of the spring term. Your kind words are really appreciated. I will keep you updated with what is happening in due course. I am sure they will find an amazing replacement; after all who wouldn't want to work in such an amazing school!

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Attendance and punctuality continue to be a high priority in our school. Although our attendance improved slightly last year, there is still a lot of work to do. We will continue to monitor this closely.

Punctuality is another issue. Sadly, it is the same families arriving late every day. This means your child has an unsettled start to the day, they miss out on learning and the office team are having to take dinner choices and take children to classes, disrupting a busy time of day for them.

Y1 - Y6 must be in class by 8.45am
Foundation Stage must be in class by 9am

If your child is off school due to illness, please contact the school as soon as possible. You can send an app message, email or call. We do have a duty of care and we will contact you if we have not heard from you. This does however take a lot of time when you are chasing a number of absences.

Thank you for your support.

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.

Until October half term, summer uniform can still be worn. If your child is wearing a shirt, then they should also be wearing a tie.

Plain Black shoes should be worn unless your child has PE, then they can wear plain black trainers.



Thank you for your support in this matter.



PARKING IN MAYFAIR LODGE CAR PARK

I have been informed that the managers at Mayfair lodge will be clamping illegally parked cars in their car park.

Please do not park in their car park for any reason. Even if there are spaces, these are needed for visiting doctors. In an emergency, they need to be able to park quickly.

Continuing to Build Excellent Behaviour



We have three main school rules at Ladbrooke.



BE READY BE RESPECTFUL BE SAFE

At the start of term all classes have been discussing what each rules means and how they can ensure they are following the school rules at all time.

We are very fortunate that the behaviour in our school is very good and the children were excellent at identifying how they can show that they are following the rules.

As parents you can help us by talking to your children about the rules and you can also use them to reinforce behaviour at home (if necessary!).

Parents can be especially helpful in ensuring the children are **READY** for school. Please help us by ensuring your child is in school on time every day with the right equipment they need for the day.

At the start of the day when the children are lining up for school, please say goodbye quickly and step back from the line so that the class teacher can welcome everyone into the school quickly and calmly.

Thank You

House Captains



Congratulations to the following Y6 pupils who have been chosen as our house captains for the year



Chester - Mathilde and Kranthi
Lincoln - Dylan and Kate
York - Jax and Lily



Prefects



We received some really well thought through letters displaying fantastic language and handwriting skills from the children applying to be prefects this year.

Congratulations to



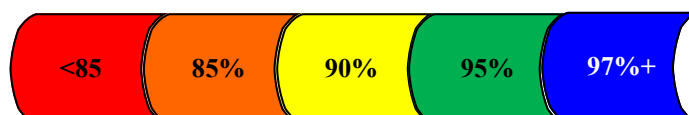
<u>Admin Assistants</u>	<u>Roving Reports</u>	<u>Play Promoters</u>	<u>Technology Talents</u>	<u>Reading Rockstar</u>
Willow Phoebe Lexie Ellie-Lara Amy Owen	Sritha Kruthika	Azra Lily Elliott Ruby	Kara Kranthi Ayden Calliope	Lily Elliott Ruby Navya Ruby Azra

Attendance Matters

We think that it is important that children are in school, on time, every day. We aim for our whole school attendance to be above 96% but ideally 97% and as many children as possible to have 100% attendance.

The reason for this is because children who attend school every day are more likely to learn more, have more friends and get a good job when they are older. To give your children the best chances and opportunities, they must be in school. We will happily support you if you are having a problem getting your child into school but we can only do this if we are aware of what the problem is!

Clearly some absences are out of anyone's control, we understand that children may be unwell at times. . You can check your child's attendance on the Gateway App.



1 or 2 days absence may not seem that much but look at the long term affects!

If your child misses	That equals	Which is ...	And over 13 years of schooling that's
1 day a fortnight (90%)	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 day a week (80%)	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years
2 days a week (60%)	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years

Should my child be off school?

Below are recommendations from the Public Health Agency for common illnesses that often, but do not necessarily, result in absences from school.

Symptom	Period off school	Symptom	Period off school
Diarrhoea/vomiting (1 episode)	24 hours	Glandular Fever	None
Diarrhoea/vomiting	48 hours	Warts and Verrucae	None
Conjunctivitis	None	Chicken Pox	5 days from onset of rash or when all blisters crusted
Head Lice	None	Impetigo	Until lesions are crusted or 48hrs after antibiotics start
Tonsillitis	None	Cough/cold	None
Headache	None	Sore Throat	None
Ringworm	None but needs covering	Scarlet Fever	24hrs after antibiotics start

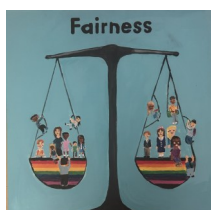
Being tired is not a reason to be off school. Only medical appointments at hospitals should be arranged during the school day. Routine doctors and dentist appointments should be arranged outside of school times. Please help us ensure your child has the best possible start to their learning journey.

Please [click here](#) to access our school attendance policy based on the Hertfordshire County Council Model Policy

Y6 Art Project



Last year the Y6 children created beautiful canvases to represent the school values. These will be displayed in the school hall. We think they are fantastic and they will really brighten up the hall. More importantly, they will be there to talk about and refer to throughout the year so all children know and understand our values.



Dates For Your Diary

FRIDAY 18th SEPTEMBER
Jeans for Genes Day

FRIDAY 2nd OCTOBER
9am—Y6 Class Assembly

MONDAY 12th OCTOBER
Individual Photographs

FRIDAY 16th OCTOBER
9am—Y4 Class Assembly

MONDAY 19th OCTOBER
Flu Vaccinations Y1-Y4

TUESDAY 20th OCTOBER
3.30 - Parent Consultations

THURSDAY 22nd OCTOBER
5.30 - Parent Consultations

26th OCTOBER - 30th OCTOBER
Half Term (School Closed)

MONDAY 2nd NOVEMBER
8.45 Term starts

FRIDAY 6th NOVEMBER
Bags 2 School Collection

FRIDAY 6th NOVEMBER
9am—Y3 Class Assembly

THURSDAY 19th NOVEMBER
Y6 Health Questionnaire

New Parent Governors Needed

We are now looking to recruit a parent to join our team of governors at Ladbroke.

If you are interested in becoming a governor but would like to find out a bit more about it, please do not hesitate to contact me or speak to me on the gate/playground.

If you are interested, please complete the forms attached with this update and return them to the school office by Monday 28th September



THANK YOU!

Dates For Your Diary

MONDAY 23rd NOVEMBER
School Closed

FRIDAY 27th NOVEMBER
9am— Y5 Class Assembly

FRIDAY 27th NOVEMBER
Winter Decoration Day

TUESDAY 1st DECEMBER
Y6 Height & Weight Survey

FRIDAY 4th DECEMBER (tbc)
Winter Fair

TUESDAY 8th DECEMBER
9.30—Foundation Stage Sing Along

14th DECEMBER
2pm KS1 Christmas Show

15th DECEMBER
9.15am KS1 Christmas Show

WEDNESDAY 16th DECEMBER
Christmas Dinner Day
6pm – KS2 Carol Concert

FRIDAY 18th DECEMBER
Last Day of Term
Term Ends FS 1pm
Term Ends KS1 1.15pm
Term Ends KS2 1.30pm



Jeans for Genes

On Friday 18th September we will be supporting Jeans for Genes.

Donations will be made via our Just Giving Page.

www.justgiving.com/page/ladbroke-jmi-school-17

More information will follow nearer the time.



KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE!

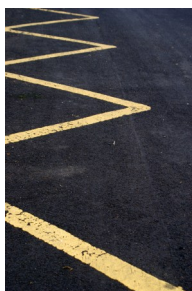
Please take the time to read these reminders and share them with your children. All of the points below are made in your children's best interest and we hope you will support us with them.

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 places it in one of our specially designed pods
Thank You.

COMING INTO SCHOOL

If any adults need to come into school, please enter the school via the main school office.

This includes in the mornings and at the end of the school day. When you do come to the office and ring to be let in, please **DO NOT** encourage the children to let you in. They have all been told to come and get an adult if they see someone at the door. They should not let anyone in, even their own parents.

Thank You

Morning Drop off

All children from Y1 to Y6 must meet on the KS1 playground in the mornings. This includes Y4 and Y6 pupils. When the doors open, they then walk around to their entrance.

Mobile Phones

Just a gentle reminder that mobile phones should not be used on site.

Please put your phones away when you enter through the gates.

If someone else is picking up your child, please pass this message on to them.

Thank you



Picking Up After School

If you are sending someone different to collect your child, please inform the office that this is happening. We will not allow children to go with someone else unless we have permission. If you have given permission for your child to walk to the gate (Y3-Y6) please make sure you are there to meet them and reinforce that they should not leave the school gates until they have seen 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 ask that you take care to park carefully in the bays. I know the lines are faint but they can be seen if you look carefully.

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