

Dinner Money

From 1st April 2016 there will be an increase in the charge for school meals to **£2.10 per day**. Please ensure your child's dinner money is in an envelope marked with their name and class and that it is handed to their class teacher **every Monday**.



Automated School Gate

The school gate located at the Lodge Road entrance is an automated gates and does not need to be forced open. Once you have pressed the buzzer please stand back and wait. We please ask that you are patient while the gates are being operated as forcing them will cause the gates to stop and will only delay access to the school.

Thank you.

Lodge Road Entrance

As part of our review of our procedures last term, we decided that our gate on Lodge Road needs to open at **8:40am**. A number of children were accessing the playground alone first thing in the morning, which is a safety issue.

I respectfully remind parents that school policy is for children to be supervised by their parents/carers until our doors open at 8.45am to the classrooms.

All parents will need to bring their children for breakfast club to the front entrance on **Oak Lane no earlier than 8am**. The gates at the Lodge Road entrance will automatically open at 8:40am for children to access the school for the start of school at 8:45am.

Nursery children will still have access between **11.40am-11.55am** and between **12.25pm** and **12.40pm**. After these times, children will need to be brought in through the front entrance on **Oak Lane**.

At all other times during the school day, entry to school must be gained through the **Oak Lane school entrance**. We apologise for any inconvenience caused. However, I'm sure you will work with us to keep all of our children safe.

Children who go home for lunch will need to be collected from the Oak Lane entrance at **12.15pm**, and must not return to school earlier than **1.10pm**, again via Oak Lane, ready for the afternoon session in school.

Thank you for your co-operation.



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to all of our children and parents. I hope that everyone had a lovely holiday with their families and enjoyed the summer sunshine. I would also like to extend a warm welcome to all of our new children and their families who have started at our school this week. Welcome to our Lodge community.

It has been a tremendously busy first week back. Most classes have completed their launch days for their new topics, and many of our Year four and five children have been on a residential trip to Edgmond Hall. They are returning home today and I'm sure that they have all had a wonderful time. They will sleep extremely well tonight!

As you are aware, we had our Ofsted inspection just before we broke up for the summer holiday. We are sending out copies of the report to families and it will also be available on our school website. You will be pleased to know that our school was graded **good** in all areas by Ofsted. This judgement is testament to all of the hard work and commitment of our children, staff, parents and our governors. Thank you so much for your support. We really do appreciate the strength of our community.

Finally, I would like to wish Eid Mubarak to all of our families who are celebrating on Monday and I kindly remind that you that the school allows children one day authorised absence only for this celebration.

I hope that you have a lovely day with your families and friends

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,
Lisa Gillam

100% Attendance

Class RH/RD-93.9%
Class 1M-93.9%
Class 1T-94.4%
Class 2H-90.6%
Class 2G-92.2%
Class 3P-92.0%
Class 3B-91.8%
Class 4T-90.4%
Class 4G-88.9%
Class 5E-76.4%
Class 5M-91.8%
Class 6G-96.6%
Class 6C-90.6%

Our attendance this term was **88.7%** which is below our target of **97%**.



This term's winner is: **6G**

Breakfast Club

We have a breakfast club from 8.00am every morning. Cost is £1.00 a day and includes breakfast, providing children arrive before 8.35am. Please see Mrs Akhtar or Miss Stone for further information.

School Times

School starts at 8.55am and finishes at 3.15pm for R-Y6, doors open at 8.45am. Lunch is 12.15pm until 1.15pm. Morning Nursery session is from 8.45am until 11.45am and an afternoon session is from 12.30pm until 3.30pm.

School Uniform

Please ensure that you send your child in full school uniform every day.

Please no coloured football shoes or trainers.

Please ensure that your child's uniform is labelled with their name and class - this will save time when items are lost.

Thank you.

If you need to contact school please call 0121 553 2389. There is an out of hours answering service for you to leave a message. Please speak clearly when leaving a message with the name and class of the child, thank you.

Important Attendance Information

As part of a revised school policy from 1st September 2013 we will make a referral to the Attendance Prosecution Service for pupils who take any unauthorised holiday leave. Please try wherever possible **avoid** medical appointments in school time.

If appointments in school time cannot be avoided, ensure an appointment card (or letter) is handed to The school office **prior to the appointment**. Wherever possible **attend school prior** to appointment and return to school **following** the appointment. You should not keep your child off school for the whole morning, afternoon or all day. If your child does not return to school on the advice of the GP, **always contact the school to inform them of the outcome**.

Home visits will be conducted by the Attendance Officer Dawn Thompson if your child is not in school.

Internet safety:

- Place your children's computers where you can see them, where possible in communal rooms.
- Always know what they're doing and who they're talking to.
- Explain to them that not everyone online tells the truth and they should never meet strangers without a known adult present.
- Teach your children the Click Code: Zip it (keep personal information private), Block it (block disturbing messages), Flag it (report anything worrying to you).
- For more on keeping children safe online, visit these websites
 - www.ceep.police.uk or www.getsafeonline.org
 - <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>
 - <http://www.childnet.com/>
 - <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>
 - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/corations/stay-safe>

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 13th September 2016 - Roald Dahl Day - activities in school all week
Friday 23rd September - Jeans for Genes Day - Non School Uniform Day
Friday 30th September - Year 2 trip to Twycross Zoo
Monday 3rd October - 5E Class Assembly
Wednesday 12th & Thursday 13th October - Parents Evening - details to follow
Friday 21st October - Teacher Training Day - School closed
Monday 24th October - Friday 28th October - Half Term Holiday