



Lydgate Junior School

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Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for all your support in settling the children back into school on such a hot first week. Thank you for your patience with the Admin team as they are showing Miss Hawson the Lydgate Junior School systems. Please also be mindful that children do not change year groups on the school system until September so with all our new Y3 children and the class splits the Admin team are super busy getting organised.

End of day arrangements and Photo permissions

If your child is now in Y4, Y5 and Y6 we will transfer the end of day arrangements and photo permissions from last year. Please let us know if these arrangements have changed and continue to let us know if there are changes throughout the year.

Timetables

Teachers will ensure that you know which days are PE days and share the homework expectations for your child's year group. We will also send an overview of the Curriculum learning.

Twitter (X) Facebook

Each class has a Twitter account where we share learning from the class.

We also have a school Twitter account **@lydgateJunior**.

Each class follows the same pattern for the Twitter account LJS/Year group/Class initials:

LJS3JD (this name will get updated by the end of the week currently called LJS3DS)

LJS3BN (this name will get updated by the end of the week currently called LJS3R/N)

LJS3HS (this name will get updated by the end of the week currently called LJS3FdB)

LJS3RL (this name will get updated by the end of the week currently called LJSAW)

LJS4JP

LJS4JD

LJS4CW

LJS4SW

LJS5LW (this name will get updated by the end of the week currently called LJ5NL)

LJS5CP

LJS5CR

LJS5BB

LJS6HH

LJS6H/W (this name will get updated by the end of the week currently called LJS6SH)

LJS6RJ

LJS6VS (this name will get updated by the end of the week currently called LJS6SW)

The **Twitter (X)** accounts also link to the Website. The website is currently also getting updated so we will let you know when the accounts link to the website again.

We have a school Facebook page where we share whole school events, Headteacher awards and the celebratory VIP tea that the class superstars attend on a Friday. VIP tea is on a Friday and each class chooses a star of the week. The children join Mrs Hurding or Mrs Noble for a drink and a chat about their learning. The children receive a star pin badge and a VIP token that goes on their star picture that they have in the classroom. It is a joyful end to a busy week of learning in school. The rest of the school are enjoying singing with their year groups during this time too. Y3/4 singing and VIP tea is Friday 2.15pm and the Y5/6 singing and VIP tea is Friday 2.45pm.



Mrs Hopkins

We have had some wonderful news on our return after the holidays, Mrs Hopkins is pregnant. We offer our congratulations to Mr and Mrs Hopkins. Mrs Hopkins will continue to work as the Y6HH teacher until February. We will of course keep you posted when we have sorted the Maternity cover and will ensure there is a smooth transition for the children in Y6HH.

Inclusion Team/ Office updates

We have set up an Inclusion team that is led by Mrs Noble our Deputy who is working alongside Miss Wall (SENDCO) and Mrs Allen (Pastoral Lead). The team will be working together to help support the needs of children alongside all teaching staff and to support the attendance of all children in school. We now have an Inclusion office where Miss Wall and Mrs Allen will be based when they are not working with children. The Hub room continues to be our nurture space for children. The Hive, our Phonics intervention room run by the Phonics lead Mrs Kaur has been relocated to a room next to Y3JD. Mrs Noble the Deputy Head is now sharing the office with Mrs Hurding the Headteacher.

Key dates for Autumn - dates for your diary

18.09.23 - Photograph Day – All the pupils will be having their photographs taken. They will bring a proof home on the day, to enable parents to order their prints.

18.09.23 - Pop in Open Day - we have an open evening straight after school if you would like to pop in and see your child's classroom and teacher. The children will be collected as normal then you are welcome to come back into school with your child to visit their class. School will be open from 3.30pm to 4.00pm. We understand that these times do not work for all working parents. You will also have the opportunity to see the classrooms at the Autumn parents evening.

26.9.23 - Languages day - we will be celebrating the wonderful amount of different languages our children speak at Lydgate Junior School. Assembly that week will be taken by the MFL (Modern Foreign Languages) lead Mrs Reasbeck

10.10.23 - Hello Yellow - World Mental Health day - as a school we will be wearing yellow and will be looking at the importance of being aware of our mental health. Please wear as little or as much yellow as you would like, you may want to make and wear a yellow badge, put in a yellow ribbon or wear yellow socks or dress head to toe in yellow. Assembly that week will focus on mental health.

2.11.23 and **13.11.23** will be our parents evenings **3.30pm to 6.30pm** - we have an electronic booking system and we will send the information nearer the date.

17.11.23 Children in Need - more details to follow.

Thank you for everyone's support

Mrs Rachel Hurding
Headteacher