



# Lymington Junior School

## October Newsletter 2018

Dear Parents,

I can't believe we are already at the end of another half term. The past 7 weeks have flown by!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the LJS children and staff for their exceptionally hard work since September.

As always, a particularly big 'well done' goes out to our new Year 3 children who have settled in to the 'LJ Way' excellently in such a short space of time.

It was also great to see so many parents in school this week for parents' evening appointments and/or the school's very successful Open Morning for prospective parents (please see dates on the back for the next opportunity to visit and tell your friends!).

Hopefully you were able to see the outcome of our school's recent focus on consistency of provision over time within your child's English and Maths books this week. The quality and quantity of work in the children's books across the school really reflects the Outstanding efforts being made day in day. I am extremely proud of the children and staff for their achievements in this area.

If you were unable to make a parents' evening appointment for any reason, please contact the school office to arrange an alternative time slot after half term, they really are an integral part of our *partnership in learning*.

When we return to school (**please note** that school **reopens** for children on **Tuesday 30th October 2018**) following half term, we will be entering one of the busiest times of the year in our school—the run up to Christmas (sorry but I had to mention it!).

Please, please take the time to read and note down the dates of all the various events later in the Newsletter. Also, please visit the Calendar on the school's website regularly to check for any updates. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

On behalf of all the staff we wish you a fabulous half term!

Dan Twyman  
Headteacher

### Free School Meals

Your child might be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

Tell your local authority if you also get any of the above benefits. Your child's school can get extra funding if you do.

**WE ARE  
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CANCER SUPPORT**

Thank you to everybody who supported us on Friday 28th September, we raised a total of £329.00

A very big thank you to everyone who baked cakes for us.



**At LJS next half term we will be working on....**

Quality of children's outcomes in subjects other than English and Maths.

### Autumn term 2018

19.10.18—YR6 Cake sale - @ 3.15pm  
22-26.10.18—Half term  
29.10.18—Inset Day  
30.10.18—Back to school  
30.10.18—YR Work showcase afternoon 2.00-3.00pm  
31.10.18—LJS Open Morning 9.30—11.00am  
31.10.18—PTA Meeting @ 1.30pm  
01.11.18—YR3 to the Lymington Library—pm  
05-09.11.18—YR6 to Kingswood.  
15.11.18—5MB Class Assembly 9.00am  
19.11.18—YR3,4,5 Flu immunisation—am  
22.11.18—6P Class Assembly @ 9.00am  
23.11.18—Be Bright Be Seen Day  
06.12.18—6G Class Assembly @ 9.00am  
07.12.18—Mufiti day for donations for Christmas Fayre  
11.12.18—Secret Room—am  
11.12.18—YR3 Production 2.00pm  
12.12.18—Secret Room—all day  
12.12.18—YR3 Production 6.00pm  
14.12.18—Christmas Fayre—3.30-5.30 pm  
19.12.18—M& M Beauty & the Beast—am  
20.12.18—Carol Service - St Thomas's @ 1.30pm  
21.12.18—Christmas Lunch  
21.12.18—Last day of term.

### Spring term 2019

07.01.19—Back to school  
14.01.19—NSPCC assembly—pm  
18.01.19—YR5/6 NSPCC workshops time TBC  
08/02.19—Mufiti Day for NSPCC—details to follow  
25.02.19—INSET DAY  
11—5.02.19 YR6 Mock SAT's Week  
18—22.02.19—Half term  
25.02.19—Inset Day  
07.03.19— World Book Day  
05.04.19—Last day of term

### Summer term 2019

23.04.19—Back to school  
01.05.19—Class & Sport Photos  
06.05.19—Bank Holiday  
13—17.05.19—YR6 SAT's week  
22.05.19— M&M Wizard of Oz  
27 —31.05.19 Half Term  
19.07.19—Last day of Term

### School Office

Reminder that the school office is open between 8.30am and 3.30pm. There is an answer phone that you can leave a message on.

### Absences

If your child is absent from school we ask that you please phone by 10.00am or an unauthorised absence will be recorded.

There is an answer phone so a message can be left. All absences are passed onto the teacher.

### School Menus

There are 2 new school menu's, starting after the October half term, this will offer three choices for the children at lunch time, the menu's have been given out. spares are available from the office.

### Snack trolley prices

The prices for the snack trolley are as follows:

Bread roll - 30p  
Packet of raisons - 25p  
Orange Juice (150ml) - 40p  
Hampshire Apple Juice carton (189ml) - 40p  
Bottle of water (330ml) - 50p  
Plain milk carton—40p  
Fresh Fruit — 30p

Please ensure that they bring in their money in a names purse/wallet.

**Please note that due to building work in the kitchen, there will be no snack trolley available from 30th October to 9th November.**



### Labelling of uniform

Just a quick reminder to label your child's uniform, PE bags & kit and even lunch boxes ..... it's amazing how quickly the lost property bin has filled to overflowing, many items with no means of identifying the owner.

## Attendance

Thanks to everyone's support, most students' attendance last year was excellent.

The law relating to absence seems to be changing all of the time. However, all local authorities have a Code of Practice for Attendance which all schools must still follow. For us, this means:

Unless the issuing of a Penalty Notice would conflict with other intervention strategies in place or other sanctions already being processed, we will have to issue a Penalty Notice where the student has been:

- absent without authorisation for 10 or more half-day sessions in a 10-week period – these do not need to be consecutive; or
- late on 10 or more occasions in any 10 weeks – again, these do not need to be consecutive; or
- absent for 1 or more sessions during a public exam or formal school assessment or test, where dates are published in advance.

We will not normally approve any request for absence where a child's attendance for the previous 12 months is below 95%.

Each penalty notice carries a fine of £60 if paid within 21 days of the penalty notice being posted. If the fine is not paid within 21 days the penalty is automatically increased to £120 if paid within 28 days. If the fine remains unpaid the Hampshire County Council will consider prosecution for the non-attendance. Separate penalty notices are usually issued to both parents.

## Stay & Play

HOLIDAY CLUB LTD

We are delighted to inform all our **Parents/Carers** about the **Stay & Play Holiday Club** which will offer affordable child care rates, and will be available to all our existing members as well as new members in the October half term holiday from Monday 22nd to Friday 26th October and also on the Inset Day — Monday 29th October.

Please contact Stay & Play Holiday Club Ltd on 07841460360 more information

### Child Care Times/Prices

**8:00am - 2:00pm = £20.00**

**8:00am - 4:00pm = £25.00**

**8:00am - 6:00pm = £35.00**

Snacks and drinks will be provided mid-morning and mid-afternoon. If your children are attending for Session One, Two and Full Days you must provide them with a packed lunch and drink.

## Recycle with Michael bins

Just a reminder that these bins are for unwanted clothing and NOT for rubbish!

Last week we had to empty the bin and dispose of the clothes as rubbish had been dumped into the bins.

These bins are emptied on a regular basis and money is raised for the school on collection of the clothes.





  
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# *Competition Time*

Submit a Poem, Painting or Drawing  
on an A4 page inspired by  
1914- 1918 events entitled

## *'We Will Remember Them'*

Entries to be submitted to The Lymington Centre  
Reception by Mon 5th November at 12 noon  
with Name and Contact Details

All work will be displayed at The Lymington Centre

**Winner will receive a Family Ticket to The Malt Cinema**

**Winner announced on Sat 10th November**

