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A word from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

Welcome to another edition of Roundabout and the year certainly seems to be moving quickly now. It hardly seems any time at all since we returned from the Christmas break and yet we are more than half way through the term.

I would like to begin this month by again congratulating our school teams across a number of sports. As you continue to read through this month's edition you will be able to see that we have been on a bit of a winning streak lately. I hope this continues but as always it is the way all of the children who represent us conduct

themselves which remains our main source of pride. I am sure you will join me in saying a huge well done to everyone who has been involved.

I am sure that you will have seen a great deal in the local and National media recently about school funding. As I write this we are currently in the middle of the budget setting process and it is certainly fair to say that it is not getting any easier. We will always provide the very best service that we can with the funding that we are given but with a continued 'real terms' impact upon our budget each year it is inevitable that we will be faced with some very difficult decisions in the months and years ahead.

On that cheery note I will wish you all a good term and as always



please do not hesitate to see me if you would like to discuss any aspect of your child's education or welfare.

Kind Regards

Simon France

Head Teacher



To this month's Merit Award winners

Harry Robson
 Sophie Ringsell
 Scott Rowles
 Ava Watts
 Aiden Ryan
 Aiden Dick
 Amelie Martin
 Chloe Allison
 Jasmine Scott
 Emma McCabe
 Morgan Golden
 Jaiden Cooper
 Una Neville
 Alyssia Woods
 George Preece
 Fearn-maia White
 Lily Mieszczyk
 Oliver Watts
 Benjamin Lawrence
 William Asquith
 Mia Gillard
 Kaylee MacPhail

Amy Wilkins
 Joseph Hiles
 Darcy Preece
 Freya Scott
 Bertie Daveney
 Max Carswell
 Lucas Sibley
 Poppy Szydłowski
 Tom Spence
 Lily Russell
 Ella Briggs
 Dakota Wills
 Lexie Deller
 Hadley Ayre
 Jenson Jones
 Ruby Bown
 Sophia More
 Jack Browne
 Molly Griffiths
 Evie Bascombe
 Bryony Rowat
 Molly Attridge

George Kleinschmidt
 Owen Coslett
 Oliver Pye
 Lilly Flinter
 Louise Thomas
 Macey Girdler
 Lola White
 Will Goss
 Katie Crickmore
 Alexander Richards
 Catie Regan
 Darcie Pritchard
 Mollie Gregg
 Zoe Triggs
 Evie-Maie Jarvis
 Alfie Brown
 James Harrington
 Jacob Clark
 Lily Hill
 Callum Macphail
 Lauren Pettit
 Jack Johnson

Leo Martin
 George Abbotts
 Lucas Easton
 Keely Gooderson
 Lily Ward
 Chloe Flippance
 Ellison Gibbens
 Sophie Gray
 Hattie Marshall
 Marley Croft
 Sophie Mills
 Morgan Doole
 Macie Cailles
 Austin Cullen
 Isobel Young
 Martha Graham
 Lottie Griffiths
 Owen Coslett
 Lily Hill
 Stanley Humphris
 Molly Doig
 Fraser Croft
 George Cooper
 Frankie Fealty
 Saba Badenhorst

Edward Kinnersley
 Trinity Burbidge
 Myah Denmark
 Amelia Sibley
 George Leaton
 Naomi Percival
 George Preece
 Leo Barker
 Jasmin Gregg
 Edward Henshaw
 Davie Trim
 Owain Bartlett
 Benjamin Wood
 Lauren Gosling
 Theo Case
 Harrison Ringsell
 Daniel Robson
 Aleksander Daveney
 Gabrielle Bartholomew
 Sophie-Anne Salmon
 Scarlett Dillon-White
 Teagan-maria White
 Elizabeth Tomlinson-Mynors
 Samuel Tomlinson-Mynors



kids THE JUNCTION



As a Rights Respecting School it is very important to us to stand up for the rights of all children, which is why we look forward to organising fundraising events in order to help those in need.

Many of you may know me as one of our Reception Class Teachers, but as of January, I have had the pleasure of taking over as 'Every Child Matters (ECM) Leader' and held our first Student Voice meeting earlier this month! It has been lovely to see how passionate each member of the Student Voice Team is about our school and about helping others less fortunate than us.

We discussed ideas on original ways to raise money for our chosen charities this term. There were lots of exciting suggestions, but ultimately we had to narrow it down to two

choices – these will be revealed to you in the near future, when the children finalise their plans! As a Rights Respecting School it is very important to us to stand up for the rights of all children, which is why we look forward to organising fundraising events in order to help those in need.

For more information on being a Rights Respecting School don't forget to visit our website page, or pick up a leaflet from the school office!

Miss Barker, ECM Leader & Student Voice

Music

There has been a lot going on in music so far this term. The children have all been working hard learning about various aspects of music, including reading and writing standard notation, appraising music, composing music and singing songs from different cultures and times. Music links beautifully with other curriculum subjects, giving the children the opportunity to broaden their understanding about various subjects. For example, Year 3 have looked at call and response songs. They learned to sing different call and response songs and then explored the structure of the song. Linking this with their history topic, they used their knowledge of the Stone Age to write their own fantastic call and response songs! The orchestra and KS2 choir have been busy practising songs for our Happy Ever After production and are picking them up very quickly. In addition to this, the orchestra is now practising for the Pyramid Music Festival in March. Watch this space!

It was also lovely to meet some of you at Parents Evening! If you have any questions about what happens in music lessons here, or if your child is interested in learning to play a musical instrument, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Miss K Wells

Music Leader



Click on the icon to go to that class's dedicated web page



Top Row (left-right): Ladybird, Honeybee, Dragonfly, Butterfly, Skylark, Nightingale, Woodpecker, Kingfisher, Puffin.

Bottom Row (left-right): Swan, Osprey, Buzzard, Kestrel, Merlin.



Lytchett Matravers

LIBRARY news

Harry Potter



Twenty children took part in our 'Harry Potter' party in February. We all enjoyed an evening of magical fun and congratulations go to the 'Hufflepuff Team' who won our team competition and to Holly

Evans for her best Harry Potter character costume award. A big special thank you to Chloe, Emma, Isobel and Tara our lovely volunteers who helped out during the evening.

Holly with her 'Box of Tricks' prize. World Book Day Thursday 2nd March: Children all over the country will be receiving via school their WBD £1 book tokens which they can swap for the special World Book Day books at booksellers and major supermarkets. We will be handing out tokens to pre-school children at our Rhyme Time and Library Gets Lively sessions leading up to the 2nd March. We are delighted that twelve classes from school will be visiting the library as part of their World Book Day celebrations. For more information



about World Book Day visit their website at www.worldbookday.com or ask a member of library staff.

Shakespeare Week 20th – 26th

March: One of my favourite things from last year was the visit to the library by Year 6 pupils to celebrate Shakespeare Week. Through activities and games the children found out a little more about William Shakespeare and his works. The highlight of the visit was a performance of a scene from Macbeth performed by local thespians. It seems that the school must have enjoyed it too as they are coming again this year on Monday 20th March for a repeat performance, so beware - "By the pricking of my thumbs, Something wicked this way comes".

Stonehenge with Julian Richards: On Tuesday 21st March at 7.30pm TV historian Julian Richards will be presenting a talk on Stonehenge. The event is organised by the 'Friends of Lytchett Library' but of course all are welcome to come along to what



should be a fascinating evening. We think it may be of interest to families and children who have studied Stonehenge or are perhaps learning about it at the moment. This is a free event and if anyone would like more information please contact the library.

Email address is lytchettmatraverslibrary@dorsetcc.gov.uk

Many thanks.
Babs, Clair and Susan
Your Library Staff



GOVERNORS' CORNER

LMPS Receives the Prestigious SPORT GAMES Gold Award

The School Games Mark is a Government led awards scheme launched in 2012 to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community. Schools in England are able to assess themselves across bronze, silver and gold levels. In October 2016, LMPS achieved the Gold Award in recognition their sporting efforts in two main prerequisites competition and participation.

Competition

The School Games is an expanding network of competitive events, aimed at providing a platform for competition in various sports. There are four levels in total spanning local to national.

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Games Level 1 events; Athletics, Cricket, Horse-riding, Football, Golf, Hockey, Netball, Rounders, Tag Rugby Union, Swimming, Tennis, Sailing and Cross-Country. At Level 2, which is the next round and progression from Level 1, LMPS were represented in 9 different sports; Cricket, Horse-riding, Football, Golf, Netball, Rounders, Tag-Rugby Union, Swimming and Cross-Country.

As you can see from the range of sports, a healthy proportion of summer and winter sports were represented, which in some part reflects the extra-curricular program being offered here at LMPS.

Participation

84% of LMPS students are actively engaged in extra-curricular sport on a weekly basis, a statistic that outperforms the national average of 67%. In addition, 29% of LMPS students were involved with sports leadership either directly through the School Games or through other opportunities within school. Both of these statistics demonstrate that LMPS is leading the way in ensuring our young people are healthy and

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active. LMPS also offer the 2-hour per week high quality requirement to meet the Sports Games Gold standard.

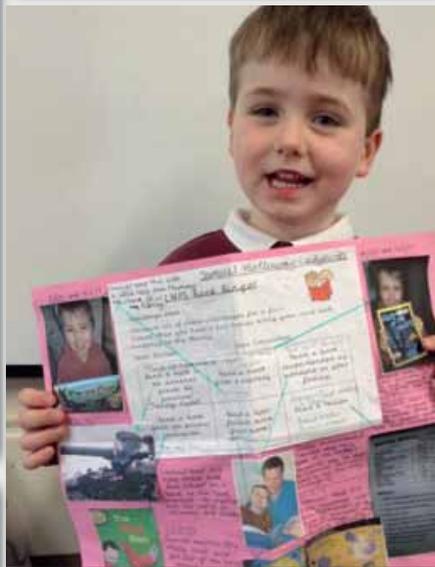
On behalf of the Governors at LMPS we would like to take this opportunity to say a massive well done to all the staff, students and parents that made this happen. For 2017 the 'platinum' award has been introduced, something for us to aspire to in the future!

Alex More
Parent Governor



ENGLISH @ LMPS

LMPS Reading Challenge



Mrs Murray has been so excited to see the challenges completed so far. Well done to the following children, who have completed their challenge already!

WOULD YOU LIKE A REWARDING OPPORTUNITY WITHIN YOUR COMMUNITY

As you will know there is currently no Crossing Patrol person to help the children cross the road before and after school. The Dorset Road Safety Team has advertised for a crossing patrol but the position is still vacant.

If you are interested in this very worthwhile position please contact **Mr. Rob Camp**, at Dorset County Council 01305 251000.



Elo, Elo, Elo...The Police visit Reception



As part of our 'People Who Help Us' topic, we had a visit from PC Lawrence. The children had prepared questions to ask him and were very keen to find out if he enjoys travelling fast in his police car. The children learnt so much from this visit and really enjoyed trying on different parts of the uniform. They especially enjoyed handcuffing Miss Barker! Thank you to PC Lawrence for his time.



SCHOOL NEWS...

Our Boat Trip Around Poole Harbour

By Amelia Sibley (Puffin Class)

On Friday 24th February, Year 4 had an amazing morning sailing around Poole Harbour. The tide was high and the harbour water was clear blue. I was really excited. I like watching birds, especially on a boat!

When we went on the boat, one of the RSPB volunteers told us the rules of being on the boat to keep us safe. He told us how to use the binoculars he lent us. When we went to the top of the ship, we had already reached Brownsea Island Lagoon. There were lots of cormorants and avocets huddled together. We saw a couple of boats bobbing on the water.

Then we went down to have our snacks. Once we had finished our snacks, we went back up to try and find a bird. We saw a little egret and spoonbills in the distance. After a while, we went down again and headed back to school.

My favourite part of the day was when I saw spoonbills because they are my favourite bird, and I really wanted to see one. Thank you to the teachers, the RSPB volunteers and the parent helpers for making the trip possible!



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Eco Team News

We have been very busy in Eco Club this term. We have been planning our allotment planting and learning all about endangered animals.

With the weather warming up nicely, we have managed to get started with our early planting. We have now planted some snap peas, lettuce and peas, which we are keeping a close eye on in our classrooms until they are big enough to plant out in our new courtyard vegetable patch.

Just take a look at how busy the children have been.

Looking forward to a great harvest.

Mrs McCabe and the Eco Team



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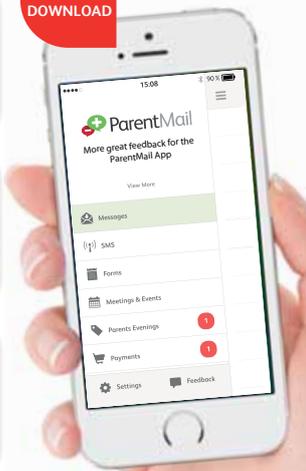
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SCHOOL NEWS...

E-Safety

Our annual E-Safety day for the pupils at Lytchett took place on Monday 6th of February this year, the day before Safer Internet Day 2017. A representative from Dorset Police's Safe Schools and Communities Team came to our school for the day to talk to the children from Reception up to Year 6 about staying safe online. Age appropriate topics included who to talk to if something online worries us, how to avoid sharing our personal information in different online contexts and issues surrounding social networking and sharing online. As always, our children listened and participated really well and gained a lot from the experience. Teachers followed up the day by discussing with their classes what they had learned and the children produced some great work in response to the sessions.

The Safe Schools and Communities Team also ran our annual training session for staff and two E-Safety workshops for parents and carers. We would like to thank all of the parents who attended these sessions – it was the best turn out we have had by far. The internet and mobile technologies are an integral part of the world we and our children live in now and a fantastic resource for all of us to use, but the websites and Apps young people use are always changing as are the associated risks. These sessions are invaluable both for professionals and parents to keep us all up to date with how best to help children use these resources safely and appropriately.

For those of you who were unable to attend but want to learn more, we have a limited number of copies of Vodafone Digital Parenting magazine available free of charge. Just pop in to the school office if you would like one.

Mr A West
E-Safety & Computing Leader





SCHOOL NEWS...

Year 5 Anglo Saxon Sharing Learning Afternoon

Buzzard and Osprey were absolutely chuffed with the turnout to our Anglo-Saxon event. We deliberately kept some of the creative activities away from the website so that all the children's work would be seen for the first time and my goodness it looked spectacular! The children made a real effort to man the different working areas and behaved to such high standards Miss Horlock and I were extremely proud of their efforts.

We had Anglo-Saxon runes, shields, boats as well as hill forts and even a quiz! The making of the event for us was the part where the parents could get involved, leaning alongside their children. It was lovely to see the children teaching the adults and being so excited to share their learning.

We were particularly proud of the children performing their Anglo-Saxon dance not once, but twice! Their enthusiasm and focus was impeccable and they really worked together as two classes to make a remarkable piece.

Hanging in the Buzzard and Osprey classrooms are our tribal shields which the parents designed and that the children love to see as they come in each morning.

We'd like to say a massive thank you to all parents and carers for their continued support and we hope to do something similar again in the not too distant future.

Miss L King
Buzzard Class
Teacher





SCHOOL NEWS...

Egyptian Drama Day

On Friday the 10th of February, Year 4 had the Treehouse Theatre Company come in for the Egyptian drama day. Everyone came to school dressed as Egyptians. Everyone was excited and a little bit nervous.

Immediately, we all went into the studio to meet Ben. As soon as we met Ben we knew he was funny. It was really fun in the studio because he did some silly vocal warm ups. Ben had lots of different accents. In the studio we got told about what was going to happen that day. Ben split us into four groups, I was in group 2.

Afterwards, it was group twos turn to go back to the studio. I got picked to be Neo: A lady giving birth! I was really excited because I had some funny lines. I loved the idea of a play in a day.

Finally, it was time for the performance. I was really excited and I nearly forgot all of my lines but when my turn was over I giggled through the rest of the show.

I enjoyed every second of it. Thank you Ben and the Treehouse Theatre Company for making it so special.

By Martha Vujicic
Swan Class



Egyptian Drama Day

On Friday 10th February all of Year 4 dressed up as Egyptians so we could do a little play with the Treehouse Theatre Company, so I was really excited.

After we had the register, we went to the studio then we met a man called Ben he was hilarious. Then he gave us our parts. Mine was a brain remover in group 1, so that means I got to remove Will's brain because he was a dead mummy in rehearsals!

Later that day, after lunch we did the play and everyone did very well but Ben was the real star he could do different accents. He was very funny! My part was amazing because everyone laughed, so did I.

At the end, I thought it was amazing, fun and funny! The class loved it and so did I.

By Jae Riddell
Swan Class





SPORTS news...

A Festival of Netball

On Thursday 2nd February 2 of our netballer squads travelled over to Allenbourn Middle School to take part in a Hi5 Netball Festival. It was very obvious how excited all of the children were to be participating in the festival especially after the rain that had fallen in the morning!

When we arrived we found that there would be 14 teams playing in the tournament and we would play 5 games. The emphasis was on participation and enjoyment, so no scores were recorded. Teams were divided into groups of similar experience to provide as equal a match as possible, which helped everyone enjoy the day even more.

Our B Team, started slowly mainly due to nerves, but began to find their rhythm and soon enough their netball skills were on show. They finished with 2 losses, 1 draw and 2 wins. The entire squad tried their hardest and played with smiles on their faces the whole way through.

Our A Team carried on from their previous tournament and showed how well they play as a team finishing undefeated with 5 wins. A very successful day for all!

Both our squads were very respectful and always gave three cheers at the end of the game, something the organiser picked up on as the festival progressed, when she announced that it was so important to see and encouraged other school teams to please make sure they also celebrate each game.

A big thank you to Mrs Dominey who organised all of this, I know she was disappointed not to be able to attend today due to a clash of courses, the children made her proud. Thank you to Miss Reid for taking the children and to Mrs Mckenzie for coaching the A Team whilst I looked after the B Team!

Our biggest thank you goes to the parents who transported and supported both our squads throughout the afternoon. Without your continued support, this would not have been necessary.

With netball becoming even more popular and making its appearance on the BBC over the weekend I look forward to one day seeing some of our children making a name for themselves playing netball for England!

Mr Kevin Noyce
LMPS Sports Coach





SPORTS news...

Year 5 and 6 Tag Rugby Tournament

On Thursday 23rd February, our Year 5/6 LMPS Tag Rugby Team played a tournament against various local schools at Poole High School.

All of the children were very excited about the prospect of putting their training into use on the tag rugby field. The LMPS team were made up of children playing in their first tag-rugby tournament, more experienced players and a combination of talent from both Year 5 and Year 6.

Our Lytchett team began by playing two matches in the 'group' stages of the tournament. The team rocketed into their top gear and performed extremely impressively as a team – supporting one another brilliantly and always giving the player with the ball passing options. This teamwork and skill was too much for the opposing teams and LMPS managed comfortable victories against each opponent.

Following their dominant group stage performance LMPS was entered into the final stage of matches against the other winners of the group competitions. Despite a slightly less emphatic start to their first match, LMPS managed to find ways to work together to break down the defense of a well drilled Heatherlands team. Eventually, we managed to beat them 5-1 (an impressive score, which was ultimately very important in the final tournament result).

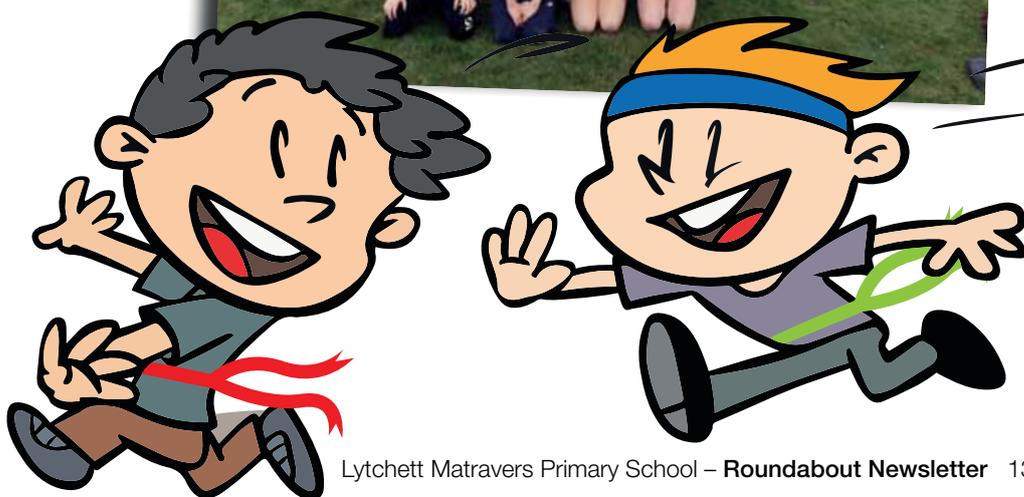
In our final match, LMPS faced a very strong opponent in Hamworthy Park Junior School. Despite the expert (and very enthusiastic) coaching from Mr Noyce on the side-lines, LMPS struggled to make their obvious strengths over the opposition count. After an exciting match, where all children showed excellent spirit, character and performance, the match ended in a 2-2 draw.

After some rapid mathematical calculations from the officials, I am pleased to say that LMPS were rewarded for their excellent performance by winning the entire tournament (on try difference, after their 5-1 win!)

I would like to say a special thank you to Mr Noyce for giving up his time to work with our children and coach the tag rugby players every Monday lunchtime, turning them into a serious impressive team of committed players. I would like to thank the Sports Leaders and staff from Poole High School for organising and running the whole event.

Finally, a big thank you goes to you, our parents, for supporting us at matches, transporting the children to and from the fixtures and encouraging the team spirit and ethos of enjoyment within the team. It was a real pleasure to be involved in such an excellent tournament and thank you for your continued support.

Mr Paul Burton
Year 5/6 Leader





SCHOOL NEWS...

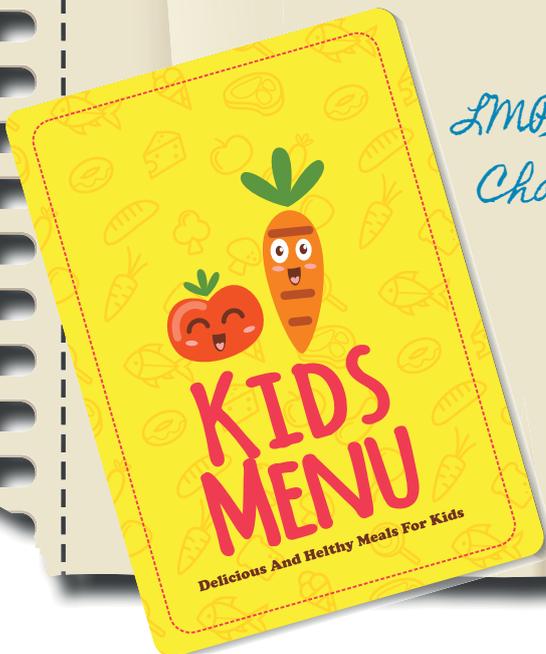
Dear Parents and carers

Re: Hot School Meals

Could we please remind everyone that the deadline for ordering hot school meals, making changes and cancelling orders is **MIDNIGHT SUNDAY** the previous week.

Please do not ask for any changes/cancellation etc to be made as the answer from the office and Chartwell Catering will be a firm no.

*LMPs Office staff &
Chartwells*



Free School Meals

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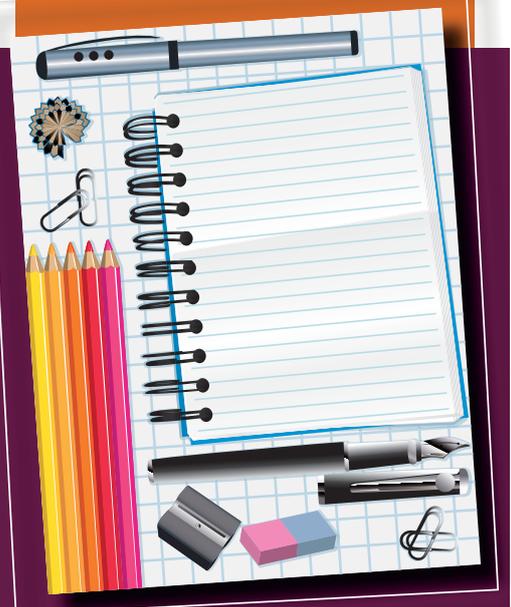
You will be asked your name, date of birth, national insurance number and your child's name, date of birth and address.

If you have any problems, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Marsh in the school office.

£100 Allowance

Any child that is entitled to free school meals via pupil premium, (i.e. in receipt of free meals because you are in receipt of benefits), can now claim £100 per school year to use towards costs related to their child's education. This funding can be

used for items such as school uniform and educational school trips/experiences like swimming for example. In order for you to claim part or all of your £100 allowance, please speak to the school office, or contact Mr France or Mrs Dominey.





DIARY DATES

March 2017

Month Commences
Wednesday 1st March

Monday 6 March 2017

Time: 13.00 - 15.30

Event: **Year 3 Swimming 7/10**

Venue: The Junction, Broadstone

Tuesday 7 March 2017

Time: 15.30 - 16.30

Event: **Year 5/6 Netball**

Venue: KS2 Playground

Wednesday 8 March 2017

Time: 12.20 - 13.15

Event: **School Bank Marketing Meeting**

Venue: Room 15, LMPS

Wednesday 8 March 2017

Time: 17.00 - 19.00

Event: **Full Governing Body Meeting**

Venue: Room 15, LMPS

Friday 10 March 2017

Time: 08.30 - 09.00

Event: **School Bank Open**

Venue: The Studio, LMPS

Friday 10 March 2017

Time: 09.00 - 15.30

Event: **World Maths Day**

Venue: LMPS

Monday 13 March 2017

Time: 13.00 - 15.30

Event: **Year 3 Swimming 8/10**

Venue: The Junction, Broadstone

Tuesday 14 March 2017

Time: 15.30 - 16.30

Event: **Year 5/6 Netball League match - LMPS Vs Sandford. Invite Only**

Venue: Sandford School

Thursday 16 March 2017

Time: 13.30 - 17.00

Event: **High 5 Netball - Qualifying Tournament. Invite Only Event.**

Venue: Allenbourne Middle School

Friday 17 March 2017

Time: 08.30 - 09.00

Event: **School Bank Open**

Venue: The Studio, LMPS

Friday 17 March 2017

Time: 09.00 - 15.30

Event: **Sports Relief**

Venue: LMPS

Monday 20 March 2017

Time: 1.00 - 15.30

Event: **Year 3 Swimming 9/10**

Venue: The Junction, Broadstone

Tuesday 21 March 2017

Time: 13.30 - 16.30

Event: **Pyramid Music Workshop Invite Only Event.**

Venue: LMPS

Tuesday 21 March 2017

Time: 15.30 - 16.30

Event: **Yr 5/6 Netball Club**

Venue: KS2 Playground

Wednesday 22 March 2017

Time: 12.20 - 13.15

Event: **School Bank, Marketing Meeting**

Venue: Room 15, LMPS

Friday 24 March 2017

Time: 08.30 - 09.00

Event: **School Bank Open**

Venue: The Studio, LMPS

Friday 24 March 2017

Time: 14.30 - 15.30

Event: **Mothers Day Stay and Play for Honeybees and Ladybirds**

Venue: Reception Classrooms

Monday 27 March 2017

Time: 13.00 - 15.30

Event: **Year 3 Swimming 10/10**

Venue: The Junction, Broadstone

Tuesday 28 March 2017

Time: 15.30 - 16.30

Event: **Year 5/6 Netball Club**

Venue: KS2 Playground

Friday 31 March 2017

Time: 08.30 - 09.00

Event: **School Bank Open**

Venue: The Studio, LMPS

DON'T
FORGET

For all calendar dates and information go to:

<http://www.lytchetmatraversprimary.org.uk/calendar/>

2017 INSED Dates

The following dates have been set for the 2017 Teacher Training days. School will be closed to children on these days. Thank you.

Monday 5th June 2017

Friday 21st July 2017

