

Poulton Press Newsletter

Poulton Lancelyn Primary School

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Dear Parents.

As we come to the end of another wonderful school year at Poulton Lancelyn, I would like to take the opportunity to thank the staff, children, parents, Governors and extended members of our school community for a wholly rewarding and enjoyable year. We have worked collectively as a team to support the very best outcomes for the children and enjoyed many successes. Thank you!

We wish farewell to Suzanne Seabra, Chair of Governors. Suzanne has been a huge support to school development over the past few years and we wish her all the very best for the future. We welcome Mrs Sue Cotton as our new Chair.

We also say a fond farewell to Mrs Hughes who has taught in F2 for the past 2 years. We wish her every success. We also say goodbye and thank you to Miss Eason who leaves us to begin a new job.

Mrs Gawne begins her maternity leave during the Summer break – we wish her a lovely time away from school and look forward to meeting her baby in the Autumn Term.

Finally, an enormous thank you and good luck must be given to our Year 6 children. They have been superb and given their all in everything they have done during their time at Poulton Lancelyn. They are brilliant role models for the younger children in school and we will miss them very much. Good luck Year 6!

Here's to a wonderful and relaxing Summer break! We look forward to seeing you all in September.

Kind regards

Mrs Arnold

Netball

In Netball, we played Great Meols with 6-1 and 6-0 victories, we also played St Andrews and won 4-2. We showed good sportsmanship and great skills. Good luck to the Year 6 members of the squad moving on to High School.

Y6/F2 Big friends, little friends day

On Wednesday 17th July the F2 and Year 6 children had a very special day together. The children were very excited to participate in a number of activities with their big friends.

The children played team games and solved problems together, used the parachute and completed orienteering activities. To top of the day the children all made a lovely keepsake craft to remember their big and little friends. At the end of a fun filled day we all enjoyed a lolly ice.



Year 6 Performance

This half term, after returning from their exciting trip to PGL, where they represented the school beautifully, Year Six have been busy preparing for their end of year performance and leavers assembly. All pupils have worked incredibly hard and displayed amazing effort levels towards their productions; their dedication has definitely paid off as all staff and students in school have been blown away by their singing and acting talents. Miss Farlam and Mr Milne are especially proud and feel that their productions are a perfect end to the excellent year that all the children have had. Well done and good luck in your high schools Year Six!

School meals will start on week 1 for the week beginning Monday 2nd September, however there will be a menu swap, fish and chips will now be served on Wednesday 4th September and the roast dinner will be served on Friday 6th September.



Trips and Visits

Year 4 went on an exciting trip to Danger Point where they learnt about how to be safe including electrical and fire safety.

Rights Respecting Gold Celebration

We had a memorable celebration day to mark achieving Gold Rights Respecting. All children and staff dressed in their finest and were transported to Hollywood via a green screen for a photo shoot. Alison McGovern came to open our Oscar themed day. Also, we had a fun talent show and games in class and the sunshine came out as an extra bonus.

Transition Meetings

It was lovely to welcome so many of you at our Transition meetings earlier in July. These meetings, alongside Class Induction day, will support our children to feel confident throughout the Summer Holidays and be excited on their return in September.

Communication

Many of you are avid followers of Poulton Lancelyn activities and events both within and beyond the classroom via Twitter. We hope you enjoy catching up on some of the events that take place during the school day. If you don't yet follow us sign up by following @poultonlancelyn.

Please remember to view our school website regularly. The calendar page already has many key dates for the forthcoming Autumn Term events, the Gallery has many wonderful photographs of some of our special events, and the class pages have important curriculum information. There is also a raft of further information such as School Meals, copies of letters and Workshop PPT's.

F2 New starters coffee morning

On 10th July we welcomed all of our new F2 starters and their families to meet the staff and their Yr 6 friends. A very big thank you to Paul Crowther from Holy Trinity Church and his team of volunteers for supporting this event by providing tea, coffee and biscuits for our new parents. Thanks to Mrs Hutchinson (Parent Governor / PTA member) who also helped out on the day with uniform sales.



TERM AND SCHOOL CLOSURE DATES 2019/2020

2019/20 Term Dates

School Closes

Wednesday 24th July

Academic Year 19/20 - Autumn Term

Inset Day

Monday 2nd September - School Closed

Inset Day

Tuesday 3rd September - School Closed

School Opens

Wednesday 4th September

School Closes

Friday 25th October

Half Term

Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November

School Opens

Monday 4th November

School Closes

Friday 20th December

Christmas Holiday

Monday 23rd December - Friday 3rd January

Please note: The Statutory Assessment Tests (SATs) will be during May.

Please check school website for updated term dates www.poultonlancelyn.wirral.sch.uk

Holiday Request reminder...

We have written to you this year detailing the Local Authority Code of Practice for school attendance and our school procedures in the event of needing to request absence. As part of this drive to ensure that our pupils maintain high levels of attendance we track closely, write to parents when needed and have issued 14 fixed-penalty notices this term. This term, the vast majority of our pupils have attended school every day. If you are concerned about your child's attendance and require support Phase Leaders and Mrs Simms can be contacted via the school office. Thank you for supporting us with high levels of attendance for your child.

Dates for your Diary.....

13th September— Bike it Breakfast

17th September— Y1 Phonics workshop

27th September— 2:30pm MacMillan coffee afternoon and cake sale

W/B 30th September—Y6 swimming (2 weeks)

14th October at 1:30pm - New Starter F2 2020 Open Day

15th/16th October— Parents evening

17th October— Photographs

22nd October at 9:30am - New Starter F2 2020 Open Day

21st & 28th November —Y5 Bikeability

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A Year of Firsts for PLPSA!

Thank you to everyone for supporting our fundraising this academic year. Along with the usual discos, paperchain draw and summer fair, we had a year of firsts- movie nights, refreshments at the Sports Festival, a cake sale, second hand uniform sales and an epic Christmas Raffle! PLPSA has raised over £5000 for our children this year. None of which would have been possible without the support of the families of the school and local businesses. Our fundraising enabled the purchase of hall staging and a sound system (put to good use at the sports festival!), safety reflectors for all pupils, resources for the Christmas shoebox appeal, My Maths subscription, Y6 residential transport, gold balloons for the UNICEF Oscars celebration and 'medals' for the sports festival participants. Thank you to all committee members for all your hard work and everyone who has supported the PLPSA.

Uniform Reminder:

- Grey trousers/skirt/checked pinafore dress
- Purple sweatshirt/jumper/cardigan
- White shirt
- PL Tie (optional)
- Grey PL Blazer (optional)

Long hair **must** be tied back.

Black sturdy shoes (**trainers are not permitted**)

Earrings must be removed/covered for PE

Please check your child for head lice.

Thank you



MAT MUSIC FESTIVAL

"The Year 2 children attended the MAT Music Festival at Great Meols school on 4th July. It was a great opportunity to sing and celebrate music with many other children of the same age. This year the theme was 'Space'. A video of our performance of 'Hey Mr Spaceman' by The Byrds is available to watch in the Gallery on the school website.

Choir

Thank you to the KS2 choir and Acapella group who bravely performed in the crowded hall during the rainy school summer fair.

Extreme Readers

Thank you for sharing your Extreme Reading photographs this year, however our displays in school need updating! Extreme Reading photographs can be sent into school at any time. Where will you read next? Remember to continue to read during the Summer holidays. Why not take part in the Summer Reading Challenge, run by Wirral Libraries?

Poetry has been a focus this half term at Poulton Lancelyn, well done to all children who recited their poems in class and in our Poetry Recital final. Congratulations to our Key Stage winners, Alexandra and Isabelle. Thank you to all of our Year Six Leavers, who have donated books to different classes across the school.



Y6 £5 Challenge

This half term, as well as rehearsing for their end of year performance, Y6 took part in the £5 challenge. Each pupil was given £5 to create their own business in order to raise money for school. We have been so impressed with the fantastic entrepreneurial skills we have seen. We are extremely proud of their efforts and total money raised is £1000. We would also like to say thank you to all parents who have supported Y6 with their businesses. Well done Y6!

Sports Day

What an awesome Sports Day we had! It was absolutely fantastic to see all of our children engaged and enthused by our new inclusive event system. We have uploaded lots of great photos of the day for you to have a look at on our school website. You can also check out our 'HealthyBodiesHealthyMinds' newsletters to read all about our sporting journey through this year. Thank you so much for your continued support with our PE and sport curriculum!

