

LAMBLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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1. LATEST NEWS

Welcome back to all existing parents and a big welcome to all our new families and members of the Lambley community!

School has been so busy already but before we look at this term, I want to look back on some exciting news from the end of last year! I am so proud to tell you that we have just been informed that the pupils of Pine Class and Oak class (last term) are winners of the Carlton Active Art Competition.

Children were asked to produce some artwork on the themes of swimming, family, friendship and community, fun, health and wellbeing, sport and fitness. They were told the winning designs would be printed onto the hoardings outside the former Richard Herrod Centre while renovations take place. Gedling Borough Council is replacing the centre and the Carlton Forum Leisure Centre with a modern, multi-use leisure and wellbeing hub. We have just been informed that the artwork was installed last week outside the former Richard Herrod Centre site! Well done to the children in last year's Pine and Oak Classes! Also, if you do pass the Centre, please do go and take a look!

This term has started so well. The children have settled straight back into life at Lambley and are determined to be the best they can be - a wonderful attitude! I want to say how impressed I have been with our new Willow Class. They have settled into school so quickly and are impressing us all with their work, behaviour, effort and readiness for school. Not only this, but every time I visit Willow, they are quick to say hello and always have a big smiles on their faces! What a wonderful start!

Today, we have celebrated the magic of Roald Dahl's stories. It is remarkable that stories such as Charlie and the Chocolate Factory are over 60 years old, yet they still inspire, engage and create a love of reading. An important skill for now, and an essential skill for life. The children have enjoyed Roald Dahl Day and spent time sharing their favourite stories with friends and teachers. I love to see the children engrossed in a book and know it will support their learning at Lambley. Perhaps in another 60 years we will be reading stories from an ex-Lambley pupil - I can't wait to see! Don't forget entries for our Roald Dahl art competition should be brought to school on Monday.

2. IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Please can we remind parents and carers to drive and park considerately during the busy drop off and pick up times each day. We appreciate that parking in the village is difficult, but it is important that we keep everyone safe.

We also kindly ask that the school drive is not used by parents, except for blue badge access, between 8:30 and 9:10 in the morning, and between 3:05 and 3:45 in the afternoon.

Please park with care on Main Street, avoiding blocking residents' driveways, and also leaving pedestrians space to use the pavements and cross safely. Please remember that there are strict parking restrictions in place at the bottom of Catfoot Lane between 8:00-4:30 to ensure that everyone can see clearly to cross the road. Parking enforcement vehicles do pass through the village regularly.

The landlord at The Lambley very kindly allows us to use their car park during drop off and pick up times. They do however request that we leave the first four disabled bays on the right hand side clear at all times, to allow space for their customers and any delivery vehicles.

Finally, please do not use the forecourt of Lambley Garage on Main Street to turn around.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation in this matter.

3. WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU

As I write this, I am readying myself for the first Reach for the Stars assembly of the new year - I cannot wait to find out who our first winners are.

But before that, I want to say how proud I am of all the children since they have returned to school. As you will have read in our safeguarding newsletter, returning to school after the summer break is not easy and is a big change from the holiday routine. However, the children have all come back with a great attitude and are happy to be back among staff and friends. They are already producing some really good work, and this strong start sets a great standard for the year ahead!

Indeed, I have already shown parents round for next September and they all spoke about the children and how happy they seemed, how focused they were and how hard they were already working. Well done to all the children.

Reach for the Stars will soon start and we will celebrate everyone's work this week as a whole school and congratulate our first certificate winners. I cannot wait to tell you more in the next newsletter.

5. FRIENDS OF LAMBLEY

The Friends of Lambley Primary School organise events throughout the year such as discos, the Christmas Fayre, the Summer Fayre, a pamper night and Zumbini sessions, all to raise much needed funds for the school. They've helped us buy iPads, play equipment, books... even ice lollies on super hot days! Every other year, the Friends fund a whole school trip to the pantomime (look out for more information on this one in the coming months!)

We would be lost without this wonderful group of mums, dads and grandparents, and we are so grateful for everything they do for the school. If you would like to get involved, please email Rachael: friends@lambley.notts.sch.uk



4. MESSAGE FROM MR. CHRISTOPHER



As you know, we are always available to talk with you and listen to you. We all know that a strong partnership between home and school is integral to supporting your child's progress socially, emotionally and academically.

I appreciate that you are all busy and drop off is a great time to talk to staff but I have to ask that we are all mindful that the teachers and staff must be in class ready to register and teach your children.

If you are passing on a message, staff are of course available but if you need to talk for longer, I ask that a meeting or telephone call is arranged with your child's teacher for a different time.

I appreciate your support with this.

6. EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES



Clubs for the autumn term (so far)...

MON: R/KS1 Nature Club with Charlotte (lunchtime)

MON: Spy Club (R-Y2)

MON: Archery (Y3-Y6)

TUES: R/KS1 Multi Sports

TUES: KS2 Girls Football Club

WED: Fun Little Foodies Cookery Club (R-Y6)

THURS: Spanish Club (lunchtime) (R-Y6)

THURS: KS2 Football Club (alternating Year 3/4, and Year 5/6)

For more information, please contact the school office or the relevant teacher.

There are also more clubs to come! Please keep an eye out for more information!

8. CONTACTS

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Please check Class Dojo (Y1-6) or Tapestry (EYFS) throughout the week for updates



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