

## Message from Mr Merry

Welcome to our first newsletter for the start of the new academic year. I will be sending out a fortnightly round up of news to keep you up to date of any key dates or information you will need. You can also find information on our website and download our APP from the APP store by going to school Jotter and typing in New Lubbesthorpe Primary School. Instructions for this can also be found on our school website at [www.newlubbesthorpe.leics.sch.uk](http://www.newlubbesthorpe.leics.sch.uk) and updates and photos will be on our website and communicated via our school APP. Our school telephone number is 0116 216 9963 so please use this number for all telephone communications. May I take this opportunity to thank all the Children, Parents and Staff for making our first week, so successful. The children looked so smart in their school uniforms and they are a credit to all of us.

It has been a pleasure to meet and greet everyone in the mornings and after school. This seems to be working really well. If it is wet, we will open the gates so the children can gain access to their classrooms, where their teachers will meet them. School opening times in the morning are **usually** 8.50am and the gates will open at 8.45am. Children can be collected at 3.15pm and the gates will be opened at 3.10pm. Please may I remind you that we are currently staggering our opening and closure time as previously communicated to you, following government guidelines. Times are attached within this letter on the following pages.

Your child should have received a 'Supporting your child' letter today via the School Jotter app. This explains what your child will be taught during this term. It will also help enable you to support with your child's learning at home. This can also be found on the school website <https://www.newlubbesthorpe.leics.sch.uk/about-us-1/our-classes>

## Vacancy

We are currently advertising for a lunchtime supervisor from 12.00pm – 1.00 pm. See details on our vacancy section of website. Website link: <https://www.newlubbesthorpe.leics.sch.uk/vacancies>

## Sunrise and Sunset Clubs, wrap around care:

Before and after school wrap around clubs seem to be working and operating well. Thank you to all of you who have chosen to use this facility. Sunrise Club starts at 7.45am and Sunset Club is 3.15pm until 5.30pm. If you wish to use this facility you can collect booking forms from the school office. We will keep the wraparound care operational following guidance from the DfE. Please note, we may have to close or cancel sessions, should there be any change of circumstances at school.

## School – Building Update

The tarmac at the front of the school should have or will shortly be completed, making the front of the school look much better. The lighting and school name has been repaired and is all working correctly now. We will have some work done to the carpark entrance of the school shortly which will involve some digging of the ground and remedial work allowing our electrical cables to be capped and finalised. We will keep you informed of any building alterations which may take place at school.

## School Meals



We are fortunate to be having school meals and Leicestershire Traded Services will be providing all the hot dinners for the children which will be cooked on site. If your child has any dietary requirements, please email Mrs Kirkham in the school office and she will have a form for you to complete. Our children will be able to choose from 3 menu choices which can be seen on our website. Please

click on the link to see our menus which start from 28th September 2020.  
<https://www.newlubbesthorpe.leics.sch.uk/about-us/school-meals>

## Milk

In order for your child to receive a carton of milk each day, please sign up to <https://www.coolmilk.com/> For children who are four years old, this milk is free of charge (but must be ordered through the website). If your child is five years old but would still like to receive milk, please sign up and pay via the website.

## New Staff

The Staff are all settling in very well and we have really appreciated your support and kind words. Thank you.

Bubble Group 1, Mrs Gittins and Mrs Kenney

Bubble Group 2, Mrs Pell and Miss Davis

Bubble Group 3, Miss Gallagher and Mr Hough

Bubble Group 4, Miss Frearson and Miss Hockton

## School Uniform

We believe that our uniform encourages a sense of pride in appearance and a feeling of belonging to the school family. This assists in developing high standards in other aspects of school life. All children are expected to wear our uniform and the rules concerning uniform are very clear and continually enforced.

Please can I remind you to name all of your children's belongings. This will make it easier for us to ensure they all get the right clothes back at the end of the day. Also, we will be helping the children to get dressed and undressed as necessary but please could you help them practice at home as this will especially help with toileting.

You can purchase directly from [www.yourschooluniform.com](http://www.yourschooluniform.com) or you can also call in at the office for information or see our uniform page on our school website. PE bags and book bags can also be purchased from this site.

We have iron on badges priced at £1.50 and water bottles at £2 which can be purchased at the school office.



## Final Note

It is a very exciting time for all of us as we continue to establish New Lubbesthorpe Primary School in the local community and we welcome your support for our school.

We greatly value parents and families as key to children's success in education and are particularly keen to involve you in your child's learning, by letting parents know what is happening in class, and supporting you to be able to help your child.

Our ethos is firmly rooted in our belief in providing the best opportunities for all of our pupils and we will ensure that New Lubbesthorpe is:

A place of happiness, excitement and wonder, full of happy, inquisitive children, who love learning and who are determined to do their best and try new things.

A place where we pursue high academic standards but also provide a well-balanced education, where children are given an opportunity to discover talents across the whole curriculum including in technology, the Arts, PE & Sport. A place where aspiration is key: every child will be encouraged and given their chance to shine regardless of ability or circumstances. Mistakes are welcomed as opportunities for new learning and understanding.

A place where learning is for all: our parents and community are welcome as our key learning partners in enabling children and families to flourish.

New Lubbesthorpe Primary School is an academy and enjoys the benefits of being part of the OWLS Academy Trust. We work collaboratively with other schools in the trust, sharing practice and resources, however, our schools also take pride in retaining their own autonomy.

Our aim is to recognise each child's individual talents. We want pupils at Lubbesthorpe to have memorable, lifelong learning experiences. Our school is very special: we will have a learning environment to be proud of; amazing teachers and support staff; and as a result pupils are engaged, enthusiastic and proud of their new school.

## Dates for Your Diary

### September

<b>Wednesday 23rd</b>	Phonics open afternoon 3.15-4.00pm all parents welcome
<b>Wednesday 30th</b>	Maths Session 3.15 – 4.00pm all parents welcome PTA meeting in Community Room 5.30 pm

### October

<b>TBC</b>	Parent tours 10.00am with Mr Merry for September 2020 new starters
<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – Friday 23rd</b>	Half Term – school closed to all pupils
<b>Wednesday 7th October</b>	Parents evenings 3.15-5.30pm – booking forms to follow Full Governors meeting
<b>Thursday 8th October</b>	Parents evenings 3.15-5.30pm – booking forms to follow
<b>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Finance Governors meeting 5.00pm

### November

<b>Date to be confirmed</b>	Community Light Switch On – Feature Square / Hub &  Christmas Craft Fair in the School Hall 3-7pm
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## December

<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December</b>	EYFS Christmas Play – 9.30 am
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December</b>	EYFS Christmas Play- 6.00pm
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December</b>	EYFS Christmas Play – 2.00 pm
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b>	School closes for Christmas break 3.15pm
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January:</b>	School re-opens

	<b>Arrival time</b>	<b>Pick up time</b>	<b>Where to drop off and pick up.</b>
<b>Bubble Group 1</b> EYFS	<b>8:50 am</b>	<b>2:50 pm</b>	<b>Rear playground, entrance to site via the main school gate – follow markings &amp; exit site through the same gate.</b>
<b>Bubble Group 2</b> EYFS	<b>8:45 am</b>	<b>3:00 pm</b>	<b>Rear playground, entrance to site via the main school gate – follow markings &amp; exit site through the same gate.</b>
<b>Bubble Group 3</b> Year 1	<b>8:40 am</b>	<b>3:00 pm</b>	<b>Rear playground, entrance to site via the main school gate – follow markings &amp; exit site through the same gate.</b>
<b>Bubble Group 4</b> Year 1 and 2	<b>8:40 am</b>	<b>3:05 pm</b>	<b>Rear playground, entrance to site via the main school gate – follow markings &amp; exit site through the same gate.</b>

# Your school has the School Jotter app! Check it out!

## Why should I download the app?

This innovative app keeps parents engaged by sending all the essential information straight to your phone. You will have access to regularly updated information:



### News

Keep up to date with the very latest items

### Calendar

Term dates, important events and parents evenings

### Newsletter

Get newsletters from your school instantly

### Galleries

Access photos shared by school

### Notices

Push notifications for urgent messages and reminders

### Contacts

See who to contact and how

### Maps

List of useful locations of sports events or school trips

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