



Lee Brigg Infant & Nursery School

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Friday 6th September 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome Back

The staff and I would like to extend a warm welcome back to all of our children, parents and carers. We trust that you have had a good summer break and we know that the children are ready to show us what they can do in their new classes.

New Starters

It has been a special week for the children in Reception who enjoyed their first full days in school. Mrs Tutt, Mrs Taylor, Mrs Guppy and the Foundation Stage staff are delighted with how quickly the children have settled into new routines and classroom activities, and are especially proud of how well they have coped with the challenge and excitement of dinnertime! We can tell you have worked hard to prepare the children for this experience and for that we sincerely thank you.

Postcards Update

Thank you to everyone who took time to send a postcard back to school over the summer break. These have been shared in assembly as part of our work celebrating diversity.

After School Clubs

Details of our after school clubs will be sent out next week. Clubs will run on a first come first served basis.

Three Peaks Challenge

We are delighted to share that Charlie has now completed his Three Peaks Challenge, in order to raise money for our school. We are extremely proud and grateful to Charlie (and his family), who have supported him with this 'mountainous' achievement!



Paper Newsletters

As part of the work undertaken in school to reduce our use of paper to protect our environment, we will be looking once again to minimise the number of newsletters we distribute via book bags. Our weekly newsletter will be continuing, however, from next week we will once again attempt to 'go paperless'. This is something that we successfully managed last academic year.



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Parents and carers will be able to receive a school newsletter via the ParentHub app, or directly from the school website (www.leebrigg.wakefield.sch.uk > Parents > Newsletters). If you have not yet joined ParentHub, please call into to the school office, where we can offer support should you require it. Alternatively, if you would still like to receive a paper copy, please fill in the slip at the bottom of this newsletter and return it to the school office.

School Uniform and Lost Property

The children have all returned to school looking very smart and proud indeed!

Please can we ask you to ensure that **all** items of your child's school uniform are clearly labelled with a name and class. Lost property that makes its way to the school office, which is 'un-named', will be listed on the school newsletter from next week. Any unclaimed items will be donated to a uniform bank at the end of each half term.

Please could you ensure your child brings their **book bag** and **P.E. kit** to school each Monday – we will send P.E. bags home each Friday for a 'refresh'. Due to the shortage of space in the cloakrooms, we would prefer P.E. kits to be sent in a drawstring bag rather than a big school bag or rucksack. Just a reminder that on their P.E. day children should have their long hair tied back. All jewellery with the exception of watches and small stud earrings are strongly discouraged in school and if worn will need to be removed or covered by your child for P.E. Hoop earrings and make-up, including nail varnish are **not** allowed at school.

As the children access our outdoor provision in all weathers, please could you send them to school with a coat or jacket.

Children's University

Lee Brigg Infant & Nursery School are proud participants in the Children's University initiative.

An invitation letter and expression of interest form can be found at the end of this newsletter. Please could you complete and return this form to the school office no later than 20th September, 2019, should you child wish to participate. **Please note there is a charge of £3.50 for the passport to learning record and online account for which we are asking parents to kindly cover the cost.**

Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for an additional Lunchtime Supervisor, working term time from 11.45 am to 1.00 pm Monday – Friday. If you are interested in the position, or know someone who is, please contact the school office for an application form. These will be available from Monday 9th September, 2019.

Reading Books

Many parents and carers will already be familiar with our reading scheme used within school. Children have previously taken home reading books in accordance with 'colour' book bands. In line with new research, we are moving away from using 'colour' bands and working on an alternative way to differentiate the reading book that each child needs.

Your child should bring home a book that they are confident reading to you at home. This not only builds up their confidence and fluency when reading, it also will match the phonics content that they have been learning in school. During guided reading sessions with the class teacher, children will read more challenging books and focus on developing their reading skills. As such some of the colour bands will no longer be used as they were previously.

Please contact school if you have any further questions.



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Friends of Lee Brigg (FOLB)

Our 'Friends of Lee Brigg' (FOLB) will be holding their next meeting on **Friday 13th September at 9am**. New members are more than welcome to attend to discuss the fundraising calendar for this year. Please come to the school office at 9am should you wish to join them. The meetings are informal and the team are extremely welcoming.

Next week's menu is as follows:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Margherita pizza with potato wedges	Beef keema with rice & naan bread	Roast pork with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes and gravy	Spaghetti bolognese	Chicken nuggets with chips
Tomato pasta	Quorn burger in a bun with potato wedges	Cheese and leek pasty	Sticky quorn sausages with potato wedges	Cheese and tomato puff pin wheel
Ham sandwich	Cheese sandwich	Tuna sandwich	Ham sandwich	Cheese sandwich
A selection of filled jacket potatoes	A selection of filled jacket potatoes	A selection of filled jacket potatoes	A selection of filled jacket potatoes	A selection of filled jacket potatoes

Stars of the Week

Every week two children from each class are nominated as **Stars of the Week** in recognition of their hard work, achievement and progress. Our stars of the week will recommence next week.



Attendance – School target – 96.50%

Congratulations to everyone in **Tiger Class LT**, **Leopards Class** and **Panther Class** for achieving the highest class attendance this week.

This week's class attendance figures are:

- 95.65% in Tiger class HT
- 100% in Tiger class LT
- 100% in Leopard class
- 97.22% in Jaguar class
- 100% in Panther class

Our school attendance figure is 98.68%

Yours sincerely

Sarah Gordon – Headteacher



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Dear Parent/Guardian

We would like to invite your child to join the Wakefield Children's University™, part of a national charitable trust which validates high quality out of hours activities for children and young people aged 5 – 14 years of all abilities. Learning opportunities are being provided by this school through after school clubs as well as organisations both in the local community and nationally.

The Children's University aims to inspire children, raise their aspirations and to develop a love of learning in a range of environments. In Wakefield, the Children's University is supported by Wakefield College; the District's largest provider of Further and Higher Education.

All children/young people who join the Children's University are given a 'Passport to Learning' in which they can collect stamps and stickers to demonstrate the number of hours of learning they have achieved. Over time children/young people may work towards nationally recognised certificates celebrating their hours of learning and on achievement, they will be given the opportunity to attend a Wakefield Children's University Graduation ceremony.

The last Graduation Ceremony saw over 280 children graduate in ceremonial gown and mortar board and was a fantastic occasion.

Children's University™ Award Levels

Undergraduate level

30 hours = Bronze certificate

65 hours = Silver certificate

100 hours = Gold certificate

There are progressive steps leading to 1000 hours of learning: The Children's University Fellowship level.

The 'Passports to Learning' and online accounts are available at £3.50 each and can be ordered through school. Children/young people are responsible for their own Passports and it is very important that they take care of them as lost records cannot be accessed.



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Children and young people can also collect stamps in their Passports at Learning Destinations across the country. To find out where these are, visit www.childrensuniversity.co.uk/inyourarea or speak to school. The Learning Destination will stamp/sign the Passport for every hour of learning achieved during a CU validated activity. This gives you the opportunity to link your family days out with the learning taking place at school.

To support your child in this exciting venture and help them to achieve their Children's University™ awards, please complete and return the reply slip below with £3.50 to cover the cost of the Passport to Learning.

Yours sincerely,

Headteacher

Name of pupil _____

Class _____

I/we would like our child to participate in Wakefield Children's University and enclose £3.50 to purchase a Passport to Learning.

I understand that I am responsible for the Passport and information contained therein. I give permission for my child's name, date of birth, unique pupil number, FSM status, ethnicity, SEN status and postcode to be shared with the Children's University.

Signed (parent/guardian) _____

Date _____

Wakefield College will use the above data in order to register your child as a member of the Children's University. We are doing this because you have consented above. If at any time you decide that you no longer consent to us processing your data for Children's University membership then let us know and we'll stop. If you withdraw or withhold your consent, it will not affect your existing or any future relationship with the College. For further details on how we protect your personal data, see www.wakefield.ac.uk/privacy.



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Please continue to provide a copy of the school newsletter in paper format:

Pupil Name (print):

Class:

Parent / Carer Signature:

Parent / Carer Name:



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