

Lunsford Primary School

2020-2021



Who's Who?



- * Headteacher – Mr G Anscombe
- * Deputy Headteacher – Mrs E Lomax
- * Class Teacher – Miss C Walker
- * Thursday morning (PPA cover) – Mrs S Davies
- * Teaching Assistants – Mrs M Cripps (Mon – Friday) and Mrs B Anderson (mornings as 1-2-1)
- * SENCO – Mrs S Davies (Tues, Wed, Thurs)
- * FLO – Mrs Katie Till
- * Office Manager – Mrs K Mead
- * Chair of Governors – Mrs Jacky Sharpe
- * FOLS – led by Fiona Dalzell

Year 6 Expectations

- * Final year of primary school – need to be setting a good example to the younger year groups;
- * Increased responsibility around the school (prefects, house captains, head boy/ girl). Not sure how this will currently look due to COVID;
- * Need to show good behaviour in and around school;
- * Excellent presentation of work in all books;
- * Concentration / being ready to learn each lesson: this will help your children when they transition to secondary school;
- * Increased resilience: learning to co-operate and get on with a wide range of people. Additional PSHE lessons after a long period of time out of school.

Staggered times

- * Due to the corona virus, health and hygiene is at the forefront of our minds: children will be reminded to wash their hands thoroughly throughout the day.
- * Break and lunch times are staggered so that children are only in contact with others in their 'phase bubble' (in this case, year 5).
- * Pick-up and drop off times are also staggered to prevent that risk.

Our Topics

* Autumn Term: The Mayans and the city of London (topic)

Light and Electricity (science).

* Spring Term: Fairtrade and the Victorians (topic) – trip to Ditton Heritage Centre if circumstances change.

Human circulation and evolution (science).

* Summer Term: The coast and the Isle of Wight (topic) – residential to Isle of Wight.

All living things and their habitats (science).

Homework

- * Homework will be **given out on a Thursday** to be **given in by Wednesday**.
- * It's the children's responsibility to complete and remember their homework; if they have any problems with their homework, they just need to come and ask me!
- * Homework will comprise of a comprehension or writing piece and a maths piece relating to arithmetic and the four operations. Spellings will also be sent home: these are not for a test in school, but if you would like to do some additional practice with your child.
- * Children need to use either a pencil or blue pen when completing English (not biros or gel pens!).

Reading

- * Children need to be reading at home at least three times a week for around twenty minutes.
- * Reading records will be checked every Wednesday to ensure that children are reading.
- * Children will be expected to complete a book review after completing each book.
- * Children should have a reading book in class daily.

Reading

- * This year, more than ever reading is so important.
- * Please listen to your child (even if they are fluent) every night and record it in their record book. We will be using these everyday so they must be in school daily.
- * Children will be read with 1:1 with an adult this term to assess their reading level and check their fluency and comprehension of what they have read.
- * On a Wednesday evening please sign your Buster Book club bookmark with a record of how many minutes your child has read for. This is important as we have a weekly competition to see which class reads the most. We have won some fantastic prizes from the KM Charities team in the past as we have read the most in Kent! I wonder who will win?
- * Try to encourage your child to read a variety of texts to help broaden their knowledge and experiences.

Spellings / Times Tables

Spellings

- Spellings will be taught at school discretely three times a week and during lessons, particularly English.
- All children will have spelling journals.
- Will be recapping all spelling rules from year 3 to year 6.

Times Tables

- Knowing times tables from 2×2 to 12×12 quickly (less than 3 seconds) is useful when it comes to more complicated maths concepts.
- Children can use the website: Times Tables Rockstars both at home and at school.

PE

- * Mr Chris Dickinson – PE teacher.
- * PE will remain on a **Monday afternoon and Thursday afternoon.**
- * **Outdoor Games** Trainers (which might get muddy), PE t-shirt, shorts, jumper, jogging trousers, sun hat for summer. Initially, PE will just be outdoors to decrease risk.
- * **Indoor PE** House t-shirt, shorts, trainers.
- * Forest Schools will take place every three weeks (preliminary dates: 8/9/2020; 30/9/2020).
- * Please try to make sure your child has their PE kit in school at all times. Earrings must be taken out and long hair tied back.
- * Later in the year, children will be attending swimming sessions at Larkfield Leisure Centre as part of PE (if circumstances change).

Assessment

- * Ongoing informal assessments during the year for reading, writing and mathematics;
- * Formal assessment in May: SATs (will be some practice assessments completed before this time);
- * We assess the children regularly and also conduct Pupil Progress Meetings three times a year to ensure your child is on track to meet their targets;
- * If you have any concerns about your child and their progress, please make an appointment to see the class teacher / Mrs S Davies (SENCO);
- * This can also be discussed at parent's evening – however this will look this year!

Mobile Phones in School

- * Pupils are discouraged from bringing mobile phones to school unless an absolute necessity.
- * If your child needs to bring a phone into school, a consent form must be signed by parents and returned to the school office.
- * Phones must be switched off once pupils arrive on the school site and must not be turned back on until they leave the school grounds.
- * If parents need to contact pupils, this should be done following the usual school procedure by phoning or emailing the school office.
- * Mobile phones should be taken to the school office first thing before children go to their classrooms and put in a named bag.

Mobile Phones in School

- * If a pupil is found to have their mobile phone in their bag, the phone will be taken from the pupil, handed to a senior member of staff and kept in the school office. Parents will be contacted to collect the phone.
- * If a pupil is found to be taking photographs or video footage of either other pupils or teachers, this will be regarded as a serious offence and disciplinary action will be taken according to the School's Behaviour Policy.
- * The school bears no responsibility for the loss or damage to a mobile phone.
- * Should children not follow the Lunsford Primary School Mobile Phone Policy or Lunsford Primary School Acceptable Use Policy, the school reserves the right to withdraw this privilege and they will no longer be able to bring their phone into school.
- * The mobile phone consent form is available on the school website.

Online Safety

Just a reminder!

- * Many Lunsford children regularly use the internet and social media and we have a duty to help them keep safe online.
- * Users should be sixteen to use Whatsapp and thirteen to use Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter, Facebook, Skype and TikTok.
- * Fortnite Battle Royale says users should be twelve + to play.
- * Although there is no age restriction for watching Youtube videos, users need to be thirteen to have their own Youtube account enabling them to subscribe to channels, like videos, post comments and add videos.

Online Safety

- * If your child does use social media, please help them to check their privacy settings, disable any chat settings and ensure they know how to block and report.
- * www.net-aware.org.uk provides lots of up-to-date information for parents.
- * Please let us know if there any issues regarding the online behaviour of Lunsford children at any time.
- * We will always follow this up within school in line with our online safety, safeguarding, behaviour and acceptable use policies.

Please see Mrs Lomax if you have any other queries about online safety.

PESE results

- * The Kent Test will take place on the **15th of October 2020.**
- * Your child will get 3 standardized scores: one for English, one for maths and one for reasoning, and a total score. The scores compare your child's performance with the average performance of other children in each test.
- * This year Kent parents will be able to name up to 6 secondary school preferences, an increase from 4, to account for the fact that they will not know their Kent Test result before secondary school applications need to be submitted on 2nd November 2020.
- * For more information, please read the Secondary Admissions Booklet:
https://www.kent.gov.uk/_data/assets/pdf_file/0020/17930/Secondary-admissions-booklet-all-areas.pdf

Secondary transfer

- * SCAF (secondary common application form) completed by **2nd November**.
- * If you applied online you will be emailed on **1st March 2021** after 4pm to tell you which school you have been offered.
- * You can also log in after 5pm on **1st March 2021** to view your offer online.
- * For advice call 03000 41 21 21 or email kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk.

Getting in Contact



At Lunsford, we want to work in partnership with parents and carers and strive to achieve the best for all children.

Due to the current climate, if you have any issues or concerns, simply send me a Class Dojo and I will endeavour to respond within 24 hours. In addition, you can email the office and the message will be forwarded to myself.

We ask that if you have any worries or questions regarding your child or a problem related to school, please do not hesitate to speak to us so we can understand your concerns and help to solve any issues. If we do not know there is a problem, it is very difficult for us to help you or your child.

If you feel that an issue has not been dealt with appropriately, please speak to Mr Anscombe or Mrs Lomax, or we will happily provide you with a copy of the formal complaints procedures.

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If you would like to speak to a member of staff...

- * Mr Anscombe or Mrs Lomax will be available via email;
- * Our Family Liaison Officer (FLO) Katie Till can be contacted on 07833584920.
- * Mrs Mead will forward on any emails and pass on any telephone messages.

Any Questions?

- * Website will be up and running in the next few weeks;
- * Once up and running, this presentation can be found on the Zebra class page.