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Dear Parent/carers,

Celebrating success at Limehurst!!!

School has now received 'validated' end of Key Stage 2 SATs (Y6 leavers, July '23) results for 2023. The numbers are very impressive!

Limehurst has outperformed both the Oldham average and National average in ALL main 'headline' areas for attainment and progress:

| Assessment areas; | Limehurst | National | Oldham |
|---|-----------|----------|--------|
| % pupils working at expected standard in Reading, Writing and Mathematics | 71% | 59% | 54% |
| % pupils working at expected standard in Reading | 82% | 73% | 69% |
| % pupils working at expected standard in Writing | 76% | 71% | 66% |
| % pupils working at expected standard in Mathematics | 87% | 73% | 69% |
| % pupils working at expected standard in Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling | 89% | 72% | 72% |
| Progress in Reading | +4.3 | ZERO | +0.1 |
| Progress in Writing | +1.1 | ZERO | -0.4 |
| Progress in Mathematics | +1.8 | ZERO | +0.1 |

Limehurst is ranked the 17th best performing school out of 84 primary schools in Oldham (information provide by the Oldham Times) based on the percentage of Year 6 pupils achieving expected standard in Reading, Writing and Mathematics combined in 2023.

Congratulations and well done to all involved!



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School Gateway

If you have not yet downloaded the 'School Gateway' communication app, we would advise you to download as soon as possible. School is no longer using 'Parent Mail' and the gateway will be the new main method of communication between school and parents. You can download the app by searching 'School Gateway' in your smartphones App Store.

Pupil Attendance

If your child is absent from school, please inform the school office at the earliest possible opportunity. This will ensure our records are up-to-date and accurate.

Leave of absence including holidays in term time

All evidence shows that pupils achieve better in school when they have good attendance.

We ask parents to apply six weeks in advance for a leave of absence, including a holiday in term-time. Parents should fill in a leave of absence request form; this is available from the school's reception. Parents will be informed as soon as possible if a request can be authorised.

Careful consideration will be given to each request for a leave of absence. However, government legislation means that it is unlikely that any leave of absence, including term-time holidays, can be authorised by school. School works closely with the local authority who will issue penalty notice fines for unauthorised absences, including unauthorised term-time holidays.

Penalty Notice Fines are £120 per parent/carer per child when paid within 28 days or reduced to £60 per parent/carer per child if paid within 21 days. If the fine is not paid, the parent/carer will be prosecuted.

End of the autumn term – Thursday 21st 2023

This is the last *pupil day* of the autumn term. School will close on this day at the usual/established times.

INSET day REMINDER: As detailed in our holiday pattern circulated at the end of the summer term and again at the beginning of this term, school will be closed to PUPILS on Friday 22nd December 2023 to facilitate in service staff training (INSET).

The new spring term begins on: Monday 8th January 2024

School will open for the spring term on this day. Again, at our usual/established times.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Thank you for your ongoing co-operation.

Yours sincerely,

M Roberts

Mark Roberts
Head teacher



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