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Dear Parent/carers,

SUMMER TERM NEWSLETTER SIX, 2023

Start of Autumn Term, September 2023

Reception pupils will start school on a rotation (morning & afternoon sessions), commencing Wednesday 6th September. Specific details (start/finish times, entry & exit arrangements etc) have now been circulated to new Reception parents/carers. Nursery pupils 'stay and play' sessions have also been circulated to Nursery parents/carers in preparation for September.

Pupils in Year 1 to Year 6 will start school FULL TIME, commencing Wednesday 6th September.

Please see below for specific details (start/finish times, entry & exit arrangements etc).

Year Group	Start time	Finish time
Year 1 & 2	8.45am	3.15pm
Year 3 & 4	8.50am	3.20pm
Year 5 & 6	8.50am	3.20pm

KEY STAGE 1 START TIME (Infant class 4, 5 & 6): 8.45am.

Children should enter school via the correct entrance; pupils in **class 4 and class 5** should enter school via the **door off the infant playground (under the first canopy)** - access gained from the rear playground. Pupils in **class 6** should enter via the door off the junior playground, signposted 'Pupil Entrance' - access gained from the rear playground.

Any parent/carers arriving late with an **infant child** should attend the **main school entrance** and then inform office staff of their arrival.

KEY STAGE 1 FINISH TIME (Infant class 4, 5 & 6): 3.15pm.

Class 4 (Mrs Lord) & 6 (Mr Ashley) exit school via the **hall door facing the school car park**. Upon collection, please form an orderly queue and wait patiently outside the painted white 'box' - an efficient handover is essential to ensure your child's safety.

Class 5 (Miss Simpson) exit school via the **hall door facing the school turning circle**. Upon collection, please form an orderly queue and wait patiently - an efficient handover is essential to ensure your child's safety.



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If you have children in different year groups but with the same finish time, please 'collect' the youngest pupil/s first. Please speak with Miss Simpson if you require any further information re-the collection of your child/ren.

LOWER KEY STAGE 2 (CLASS 7, 8 & 9) START AT 8.50AM.

Pupils in **class 7, 8 & 9** should enter school via the door off the junior playground, signposted 'Pupil Entrance' (access gained from the rear playground).

LOWER KEY STAGE 2 (CLASS 7, 8 & 9) FINISH AT 3.20PM

All pupils must be kept under **CLOSE SUPERVISION** until away from the 'busy' school gates/ car park/ turning circle.

Lower Key Stage 2 teachers will escort their class to their designated exit point (as detailed below) ready for a 3.20pm collection.

Pupils are regularly instructed not to leave the school site/ turning circle area if they have a collection arrangement in place. If the expected person 'collecting' cannot be seen/ found the class teacher will insist that the pupil return to the school site.

If you have made a 'collection arrangement' with your child, please form an orderly queue and wait patiently- an efficient handover is essential to ensure your child's safety.

If you have children in different year groups but with the same finish time, please 'collect' the youngest pupil/s first.

Class 7 (Miss Robertson*) will exit school via the **Junior yard gate** facing the school turning circle.

Class 8 (Mrs Douglas) will exit school via the **Junior yard gate** facing the school turning circle.

Class 9 (Mrs C Taylor) will exit school via the **Junior yard gate** facing the school turning circle.

Parent/carers who arrive late to collect their child from school should go directly to the main entrance. If collection arrangements have been made, we expect the pupil to remain on the school site until collection or further notice/information is received.

Lastly, we ask all 'collecting' adults to keep their child/ren in close attendance on their journey home. Please speak with Mrs Wright if you require any further information re-the collection of your child/ren. **Please note, late collection can be very distressing for some children. Please endeavour to be punctual at all times.**

***A change to previous information circulated.**

UPPER KEY STAGE 2 (CLASS 10, 11 & 12) START AT 8.50AM.

Pupils in **class 10, 11 & 12** should enter school via the door off the junior playground, signposted 'Pupil Entrance' (access gained from the rear playground).

UPPER KEY STAGE 2 (CLASS 10, 11 & 12) FINISH AT 3.20PM AND WILL NOW EXIT SCHOOL VIA THE SCHOOL HALL.

Upper Key Stage 2 teachers will escort their class to their **NEW** designated exit point (as detailed below) ready for collection at 3.20pm or to walk home on their own unescorted.

Class 10 (Mr Dickinson) will exit school via the **hall doors** facing the school car park.

Class 11 (Mr Todd) will exit school via the **hall doors** facing the school car park.

Class 12 (Mrs Wood and Mrs Atherton) will exit school via the **hall doors** facing the school car park.



School 'Wrap around care' provision from September 2023

Paid Breakfast Club will start on Monday 11th September 2023

Limehurst is pleased to confirm that the school breakfast club will return in September. A bespoke *Breakfast Club* letter will be circulated, week commencing 4/9/23, that will detail specific 'club' arrangements but in summary please note the details below:

1. Breakfast club is available to pupils in Reception through to Year 6.
2. Breakfast club starts at 8.20am with last entry being 8.40am. Please enter via the Key Stage 2 playground door.
3. Behaviour expectations are consistent with all aspects of school life and subject to the same sanctions.
4. Upon entry children are required to stay in breakfast club until being escorted to their classrooms in readiness for morning registration.

Paid afterschool club will start on Monday 11th September 2023

Limehurst is pleased to confirm that the school breakfast club will return in September. A bespoke Afterschool Club letter will be circulated, week commencing 4/9/23, that will detail specific club arrangements (pricing, collection arrangements etc.) but in summary please note the details below:

1. Afterschool club is available to all pupils.
2. Afterschool club will start from the end-of-school day until 5.15pm, Monday to Thursday.
3. Behaviour expectations are consistent with all aspects of school life and subject to the same sanctions.
4. Upon entry children are required to stay in afterschool club until collection.

School holiday pattern, 2023/24

The school holiday pattern, 2023/24, has been attached with this letter. Please remember that Limehurst's holiday pattern will differ from the Oldham Council school year plan (as advertised on their website) due to each maintained school being allowed to 'set' their own in-service training dates (INSET).

Farewell Mrs Hirst

As many of you will be aware Mrs Hirst is retiring (early!) and her final working school day will be tomorrow. Mrs Hirst has worked at Limehurst for 32 years and I want to take this moment to extend my deepest appreciation for her unwavering dedication, resilience, and remarkable contributions to our children's development over this time.

Over the 22 years that I have worked alongside Mrs Hirst she has demonstrated outstanding adaptability and creativity in ensuring that the children's learning has never ceased, even in the face of unprecedented challenges. Her tireless efforts have had a profound impact on the lives of the children in our community. Mrs Hirst's professionalism and empathy has created a nurturing and inclusive environment where our children feel safe, valued, and motivated to reach their full potential. Thank you.

A revised school leadership pyramid for September 2023 has been attached for your information.

Once again, I wish you all a joyful and rejuvenating summer and look forward to working with you again next September.

Yours sincerely,

M Roberts

Mark Roberts
The Headteacher

