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A message from Mrs Tomlinson…

Happy Friday! I hope you have all had a wonderful week and are looking forward to the weekend ahead. It has been another busy and positive week at Lynch Hill, and it has been lovely to welcome even more new starters to our school community. One of the things that I am always on the lookout for is kindness shown to others, and it has been a delight to see pupils helping new classmates settle in, offering reassurance and friendship at a time when everything can feel new and unfamiliar.

Throughout the week, I have been visiting classrooms across the school and taking every opportunity to speak with children about how the new academic year is going. I have also been keeping a close eye on how well classes are establishing routines and embracing our Lynch Hill expectations. I have to say, I am impressed. The children have started the year with enthusiasm, maturity and a real commitment to learning.

Mr Dike, one of our PE teachers, has been equally impressed. As he has spotted children demonstrating our school values, he has been rewarding them with Golden Tickets. It has been wonderful to see the pride on their faces when receiving them and to hear them explain exactly why they have earned recognition. What has impressed me most, however, is how quick the children have been to celebrate one another's successes, recognising the many ways their classmates have been aiming high, working hard and caring deeply.

Most Wednesday afternoons, since 2023, I have had the pleasure of accompanying a group of Year 5 pupils to top-up swimming lessons at Eton College. We are very lucky to have access to at least four swimming instructors and two lifeguards for each of these lessons, and this helps to ensure the children make maximum progress. These instructors regularly comment on our children's good behaviour, positive attitudes and genuine enthusiasm for developing their swimming skills, and that Wednesday afternoon is their favourite session of the week. I am looking forward to seeing how well this latest group do over the weeks ahead. (Was obviously disappointed that we didn't spot Prince George when we arrived there this week, but I will keep my eyes peeled over the weeks ahead!)

As many of you know, we place a strong emphasis on PE, sport and physical activity and are proud to consider ourselves an active school. Alongside this, we are continually looking for ways to make lunchtimes more enjoyable, engaging and active for all children. Over the past week, this has included introducing new zoned areas within the Key Stage 1 playground and expanding the range of activities available to our older pupils, both on the Key Stage 2 playground and within the Key Stage 2 hall. We are looking forward to hearing what the children think and will be gathering their feedback to ensure these changes are having a positive impact on their lunchtime experience.

Our lunchtimes are also enriched by the fantastic contribution of pupils who take on leadership responsibilities, whether as Play Leaders or members of the Sports Council. In addition, Year 6 pupils have the opportunity to apply formally for a range of important roles, including Reading Buddy, Young Ambassador, Prefect and Peer Mentor. As part of the process, children submit letters of application outlining the skills and qualities they believe make them suitable candidates. For the role of Young Ambassador, I will also be conducting interviews before making my final decision. Learning how to write an application and confidently present yourself in an interview are valuable life skills, so I am delighted that our pupils have the opportunity to gain this experience. I wish every applicant the very best of luck.

This afternoon, I hosted my first Afternoon Tea of the new school year. The Headteacher Award winner from each Key Stage 2 class joined me in my office to celebrate their achievement with a drink and a treat. It really is one of my favourite parts of the week: it is always a pleasure to spend time chatting informally with the children, hearing about their interests, discovering what they enjoy most about school and listening to their thoughts on how we can continue to improve. Their honesty, insight and enthusiasm never fail to impress me, and their feedback is something I genuinely value.

Finally, you should have received an email regarding Benedict's Law and some key messages regarding allergies and anaphylaxis, and the precautions in place to safeguard all members of our school community. Please take time to read it carefully and speak to staff if you have any questions or require any clarification.

Have a wonderful weekend and thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Lindsey Tomlinson

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Well-being: Staying Safe

At Lynch Hill School, we have 6 Personal Development Strands which underpin children's learning and development and enhance well-being. We would love to co-work with families so these strands are shared at home too. Our first strand is *Staying Safe:*

We aim to ensure that all of our children are able to recognise the dangers that surround them, including the inappropriate use of mobile technology and social media. We aim to teach our children how to keep safe at all times. Safety is a principal priority at Lynch Hill.

Some key points for consideration of online safety in your home:

- Do you have parental controls set up on all devices (phones, tablets, games consoles)?
- Who can they chat to online?
- Do their phones and devices lock down overnight?
- Do they need permission from you to download apps?
- Have you limited time on apps, and limited overall time on devices?
- Have you talked about AI, fake news, and cyber bullying?
- Can you access their devices and do you check them regularly?

Childline has some useful information and tips on talking to your children about staying safe online: https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/



Urgent – Cardboard tubes needed!!

Year 1 are in *urgent* need of cardboard tubes for their new Design and Technology unit. If you have any kitchen roll tubes, wrapping paper tubes, tubes from maps, artwork, etc., please bring them in to school before the end of September. Thank you!

PRESENT Value of the Week: PASSION



The Cozy Reading Corner

At our school, we want to encourage reading across the whole of the school community – and that includes our parents and carers! This term we will continue with our book reviews from/for our children. This week we have a review from ***Frankie in Year 6***



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We are a Nut, Seed and Pineapple Free School

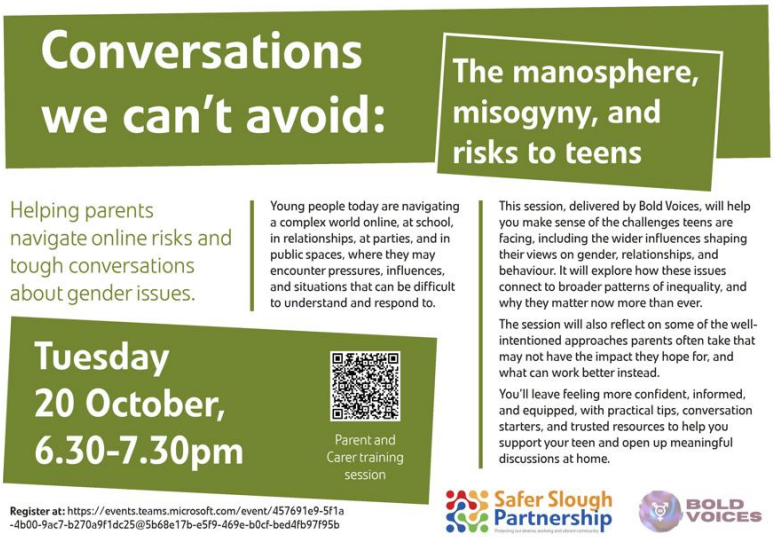
Please make sure that you do not give your children nutty bars, seeded bread, Nutella, Kinder Bueno or any other item containing nuts in their lunch box. We have a number of children and staff with life threatening allergies to nuts, seeds and pineapple, and even touching the hand of a child who has come in to contact with nuts, seeds or pineapple could be fatal.

No nuts, no pineapple + no seeds = no problem.

Please note that all Friday meal debts will not be on Schoolmoney until Monday afternoon.

Childcare Vouchers

Please be aware that our school can only accept childcare vouchers for Funzone, Breakfast club, after school clubs and the Nursery midday provision. We cannot take vouchers for trips, instrumental lessons, or meals/lunch cards. Thank you for help in this matter.



Upcoming Events

Autumn Term

Term starts on: Thursday 3rd September 2026
Term ends on: Friday 16th October 2026
October holiday: Monday 19th October 2026 to Friday 30th October 2026
Term starts on: Monday 2nd November 2026
Term ends on: Friday 18th December 2026
Christmas holiday: Monday 21st December 2026 to Friday 1st January 2027

9th October Individual school photos
16th October Non-uniform day
6th November Sibling school photos
20th November Non-uniform day – Children in Need

Dates and times for Christmas performances will be published soon!

Term dates for this and next year can be found on our website: Term dates - Lynch Hill School Primary Academy (lhsprimaryacademy.org.uk

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Slough Borough Council

Starting Secondary School in Slough 2027/28

Apply online at www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions

It is important that you take time to read this information which outlines the application process for a year 7 school place.



Dear Parent/Carer,

If your child was born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016, and you live in Slough, you can now apply online for a transfer from primary (Year 6) to secondary school (Year 7) for September 2027.

The Citizen Portal on the council website is now open to receive applications. There are clear and simple prompts to guide you through making your application.

You will also find the ***Starting secondary school booklet*** on the council website. The booklet contains a wealth of information to help you choose the right schools, make an application and understand how the application process works. It provides a profile of all of Slough secondary schools alongside information about admission arrangements.

Who should apply?

Current Year 6 pupils - children who will be transferring from primary (Year 6) school to secondary school (Year 7) in September 2027.

When do I need to apply?

You can apply anytime from 1 September 2026. **To receive an offer of a school place on national offer day, you must submit an application by 31 October 2026.**

Please note: In order to maximise your chances of being offered one of your preferred schools

- **You MUST submit an application with any required documents/ supplementary forms on time.**
- **Your child MUST meet the admissions criteria of the school to be offered a place.**

and there is

- **NO automatic transfer from a primary into a secondary school.**
- **NO automatic offer of a sibling place without making an application.**

Apply online at www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions Closing date to apply 31 October 2026

Changing your preferences or changing the order after submitting an application

You can make any changes to your application before the closing date. However, if you wish to change your preferences after the closing date or you wish to change the preference order, all your preferences would be considered as late applications and considered after all on-time applications.

It is possible to change your preferences after your application has been downloaded by the Admissions Team but you will need to complete an amendment form which you will find on the council's website.

What happens if I miss the closing date?

For the avoidance of doubt, all applications submitted and received after the closing date (31 October 2026) will be deemed as late applications. They will be considered after those that are received on time and after the first round of offers have been made.

How do I apply?

If you live in Slough you MUST apply through Slough Borough Council. The easiest way to apply is online.

Go to www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions and follow the instructions on the screen.

If you do not have internet access at home you can still apply online at your local library or at the council offices.

Who can make the application?

Applications must be made by a parent or carer who holds legal parental responsibility for a child. Only one application should be made per child.

Contact the Admissions Team

If you would like more information about the school admissions process or the admission arrangements, please read the 'Starting secondary school' booklet

Or visit: www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions

Email: _admissions.helpline@slough.gov.uk

Contact Centre:
Telephone: 01753 475111 (Monday to Friday)
Please note that the School Admissions lines open as and when needed around admissions time.

Best wishes,

Sabi Hothi
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Now Selling!

LHS 70th Anniversary Merch



Notebook

£5

Drawstring bag



£3.50

Squishy ball



£4



Cap

£5

Teddy bear key chain



£5



Foldable water bottle

£4



Tote bag

£4



£1

Pack of skittles

LYNCH HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL- LUNCH MENU February - July 2026

14th – 18th Sept will be Week 3!

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1 W/C 31/08 21/09 12/10 16/11 07/12 11/01 01/02	1. Cajun Quorn & Sweetcorn Pizza (v)	1. Macaroni Cheese with Garlic Bread (v)	1. Winter Vegetable & Bean Hotpot (v)	1. Southern Style Quorn Burger with Herby Diced Potatoes (v)	1. Jacket Potato – Cheese (v), Beans (Ve) or Tuna
	2. Chicken Tikka Curry with Rice & Naan Bread	2. Chicken Jollof Rice	2. Lamb Lasagne with Garlic Bread	2. Beef Burger in a Bun with Herby Diced Potatoes	2. Breaded Fish Fingers and Chips
	3. Jacket Potato – Cheese (v), Beans (Ve) or Tuna	3. Jacket Potato – Cheese (v), Beans (Ve) or Tuna	3. Jacket Potato – Cheese (v), Beans (Ve) or Tuna	3. Jacket Potato – Cheese (v), Beans (Ve) or Tuna	
	4. Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich (v)	4. Tikka Chicken Wrap	4. Cheese Sandwich (v)	4. Tuna Sandwich	3. Cheese Sandwich (v)
	Frozen Raspberry Yoghurt (v)	Mixed Berry Sponge Cake with Custard (v)	Strawberry Jelly (Ve)	Fresh Fruit Platter (Ve)	Shortbread Biscuit (Ve)
WEEK 2 W/C 07/09 28/09 02/11 23/11 14/12 18/01 08/02	1. Cheese and Tomato Pizza (v)	1. Mixed Bean & Cauliflower Tikka Curry With Rice & Naan Bread (Ve)	1. Quorn Spanish Style Rice (v)	1. Quorn Nuggets with Potato Wedges (Ve)	1. Jacket Potato – Cheese (v), Beans (Ve) or Tuna
	2. Sweet Chilli Salmon Stir-Fry Noodles	2. Pasta & Meatballs in Tomato Sauce	2. Chicken Shawarma with Flatbread & Rice	2. Breaded Chicken Strips with Potato Wedges	2. Breaded Fish Fillet and Chips
	3. Jacket Potato – Cheese (v), Beans (Ve) or Tuna	3. Jacket Potato – Cheese (v), Beans (Ve) or Tuna	3. Jacket Potato – Cheese (v), Beans (Ve) or Tuna	3. Jacket Potato – Cheese (v), Beans (Ve) or Tuna	
	4. Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich (v)	4. Roast Chicken Wrap	4. Cheese Sandwich (v)	4. Tuna Sandwich	3. Cheese Sandwich (v)
	Fruit Crumble & Custard (v)	Cocoa & Orange Sponge Cake (v)	Strawberry Cheesecake (v)	Fresh Fruit Platter (Ve)	Cheese and Crackers (v)
WEEK 3 W/C 14/09 05/10 09/11 30/11 04/01 25/01	1. Vegetable Pizza (v)	1. Pasta in Tomato Sauce with Garlic Bread (v)	1. Vegetarian Hotdog and onions in a roll (v)	1. Vegan Sausages, Mashed Potato & Gravy (v)	1. Jacket Potato – Cheese (v), Beans (Ve) or Tuna
	2. Mild Chilli Beef Taco with Yellow Rice & Baked Tortilla Nachos	2. Chicken Katsu Curry with Rice	2. Roast Chicken, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	2. Chicken Sausages, Mashed Potato & Gravy	2. Breaded Fish Fingers and Chips
	3. Jacket Potato – Cheese (v), Beans (Ve) or Tuna	3. Jacket Potato – Cheese (v), Beans (Ve) or Tuna	3. Jacket Potato – Cheese (v), Beans (Ve) or Tuna	3. Jacket Potato – Cheese (v), Beans (Ve) or Tuna	
	4. Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich (v)	4. Sweet Chilli Chicken Wrap	4. Cheese Sandwich (v)	4. Tuna Sandwich	3. Cheese Sandwich (v)
	Fruit Smoothie (Ve)	Apple Upside Down Cake with Custard (v)	Orange Jelly (Ve)	Fresh Fruit Platter (Ve)	Cocoa & Banana Cookie (Ve)

All main meals are accompanied with a side of vegetables!

(v) Vegetarian, (Ve) Vegan

Please find a list of allergens on our school website:
Lunchtime Menu - Lynch Hill School Primary Academy.

EYFS Aiming High, Working Hard and Caring Deeply Awards			
Green **Yellow** **Blue** **Red**	All of Nursery	FOR	Settling in and learning the rules and expectations in Nursery so quickly. Well done everyone!
EYFS Headteacher's Award given to one child for achievement			
Dolphins **Seahorses** **Turtles**	All of Reception	FOR	Being superstars and settling into their new classes so well. Building relationships and making new friends.
KS1 Aiming High, Working Hard and Caring Deeply Awards			
1S	Amaya-Iris Edwards	FOR	Settling well into Year 1 routines and aiming high in lessons. Well done!
	Harkirat Singh		Working hard in maths lessons this week and trying his best. Well done!
	Theo Misiani		Being a kind friend in the classroom and helping others. Thank you Theo!
1K	Poppy Partington		Her great ideas in class and enthusiasm for learning.
	Sahib Singh Salar		His fantastic listening and thoughtful answers in class.
	Rania Khan		Her great attitude towards her learning in the first week of school.
1A	Anik Maniyar		His great start to Year 1 and participating actively in all lessons.
	Amelia-Lily Daly		Consistently listening to instructions and trying her hardest all week.
	Barzah Talha		Being a kind and helpful friend.
2M	Brunon Mieczkowski		His wonderful enthusiasm and positive approach to his new class. Well done Brunon.
	Maya Zaman		Being a wonderful role model for all the children, trying her best and helping others in our class.
	David Coff		His wonderful positivity and for starting Year 2 with a big smile. Well done!
2K	All of 2K		Settling into the Year 2 routines so brilliantly and showing such a positive attitude to learning and school life.
2N	Prestyn Ford		Always aiming high and being confident to share his ideas on the carpet. Keep it up Prestyn!
	Luna Michael		Her positive attitude towards her learning, working so hard in all that she does. Keep it up Luna!
	Mirha Rehman		Being passionate about her learning, showing that she cares a lot about her work. Keep it up, Mirha!
KS1 Headteacher's Award given to one child for achievement			
1S	Rahim King	FOR	Being an exceptional role model to everyone in class. Well done Rahim!
1K	Arriana Acheampong		Being a super member of 1K – she is a role model for the class as she is always listening, tries hard and is such a kind friend.
1A	Lindiwe Ugo-Uzoewula		Her fantastic focus and determination when settling into Year 1. You have demonstrated such care and hard work all week. Keep it up, Lindiwe!
2M	Isbah Shakeel		Her amazing start to Year 2. Isbah has been a fabulous role model, learning new routines, making new friends, and working hard. Well done!
2K	Gurbani Sidhu		Being a wonderful role model to everyone, always arriving with a fantastic smile and being a kind and supportive peer to a child who is new to Lynch Hill.
2N	Tina Jerabek Szczepanik		Her calm nature and settling in so well in Year 2, always being focused and completing her work promptly. Keep it up Tina!

KS2 Aiming High, Working Hard and Caring Deeply Awards			
3C	Jared Toombs		Aiming high across all areas of learning this week, especially science where he produced super sentences all about light! Well done, Jared!
	Jaiveer Singh		Working hard in all learning and improving his stamina for writing. He has written some amazing sentences this week! Keep it up, Jaiveer!
	Delilah Kyte		Caring deeply for her peers by helping children become accustomed to the Year 3 routine and supporting children with class work. Good work, Delilah!
3E	Cody Packer		Aiming high and sharing fantastic ideas this week in all his lessons. Keep it up!
	Fatima Usman		Working hard to be a great mathematician this week. Keep it up!
	Sophie McGuiness		Caring deeply about her peers and trying to be a wonderful learning partner. Keep it up!
3B	Divish Kumar		Aiming high in mathematics this week.
	Harry Walker		Working hard on his sentence writing in English.
	Panahi Kaur		Caring deeply for others in class by helping and assisting his peers.
3P	Agathiyan Antony		Being a Confident Communicator this week.
	Abraak Rehman		Working very hard to settle into 3P.
	Robyn Tassell		Caring deeply this week by looking after her peers.
4O	Inaaya Syed		Aiming high and answering questions in lessons.
	Jellene Joseph		Working hard in lessons this week. Well done!
	Jack Kenny		Caring about others and making sure his peers have all their things.
4K	Imran Ali		Aiming high in everything he does and providing excellent answers in class discussions.
	Rayyan Khan		Working hard in all lessons and always trying his best. Well done!
	Omar Awan		Caring deeply for others and being a good friend.
4A	Aayansh Thapa	F O R	Aiming high in each lesson. I am so proud of you.
	Chase Williams		His excellent attitude towards learning. Well done, I am so proud of you.
	Anveeksha Shivakumar		Settling in well, whilst being very caring and helpful. Well done!
4S	Manha Ahmed		Showing care and compassion for others, by always being willing to support and help peers in class.
	Kyra Trimble		Settling well into school life and forming positive relationships with peers and staff.
	Ahmed Khwaja		Working really hard in all subjects, particularly in English when using ISPACE to build and develop sentences.
5P	Avleen Bola		Aiming high by trying her best in every single lesson.
	Solomiya Sadlovska		Working hard by trying to complete as much homework as possible while keeping the quality high.
	Trinity Appiah		Caring deeply about her working partner. You are such a kind person!
5A	Mashudd Tahir		Starting the year off strong by aiming high in every lesson and participating with enthusiasm. Well done!
	Mehdi Zaidi		Extending himself in our maths lessons, understanding concepts by asking for help and being a resilient learner. Keep it up!
	Maria Besbas		Being caring to her peers, choosing to help a child in our class with his morning routine and showing great compassion.
5H	Krish Sharma		Aiming high by using the board to help edit his rounding work in maths.
	Mia Barbalat		Working hard by writing a sentence daily using our word of the day. Keep it up!
	Hurrem Rameez		Caring deeply by helping get the lunch sheets ready with a huge smile.
5K	Syeda-Fatima Bari		Showing a true sense of ‘Aiming high’ by participating enthusiastically in every lesson.
	Zahra Fatimah		Working hard in maths to understand rounding. Excellent job!
	Shehryar Khan		Showing a caring attitude by helping his classmates to complete their work.

6S	King Britton-Paul		Aiming high in all lessons by contributing well and showing off his extensive knowledge.
	Ayla-Mae Fletcher		Working hard in all subjects, especially English this week.
	Noah Ablott		Caring deeply about the presentation of his work.
6B	Evie Nash		Aiming high and trying hard in maths and English.
	Luke Khatri		Working extremely hard in all subjects and persevering with writing and spelling.
	Fatimata Sannoh		Caring deeply for her work and presentation. Great going Fatimata!
6O	Ruben Birring		Aiming high and reaching for the stars in all subjects taught this week.
	Olly Dean Brennan		Working hard and putting in his absolute best efforts.
	Juri Atteya		Caring deeply about others and showing kindness in class.
6A	Arianna Maringa		Aiming high this week in all lessons and for showing a great attitude towards learning. Well done.
	Jace Butler		Working hard this week in all lessons and making excellent notes during class input. Well done.
	Pola Klinert-Zowczak		Caring deeply about the presentation of her work and for being a fantastic friend. Well done.
Headteacher's Awards given to one child for achievement			
3C	Phoebe Nash	F O R	Showing super passion, determination, and enthusiasm for all learning this week. Her resilience and confidence have grown significantly, and she is a super role model. Keep up the great work, Phoebe!
3E	Ronnie Lovett		Demonstrating exceptional behaviour this week, being a wonderful friend and showing the best version of himself. Keep aiming high, working hard and caring deeply Ronnie. We are all very proud of you.
3B	Sienna Conway		Showing excellent responsibility in class and being an effective lunchtime monitor.
3P	Agaran Parthiban		Being a Strategic Applier in maths this week.
4O	Marwa Rehman		Showing an excellent attitude towards others. She is kind, considerate, and always treats those around her with politeness and respect.
4K	Anayah Hughes		Her exceptional behaviour and attitude towards learning. Anayah truly embodies our school values and is a role model for her peers. Well done!
4A	Saanvi Nishad		Consistently working hard and for her positive attitude. I am so proud of you.
4S	Emilia Baker		Trying her very best in all subjects and consistently demonstrating care and consideration for her peers.
5P	Lyana Mahadew		Her excellent attitude to school and making the most of every learning opportunity.
5A	Bella Trimble		Settling into a new school amazingly, participating in all lessons and being friendly to her peers. Welcome to Lynch Hill Bella!
5H	Eshmeet Nijjar		Always being the first one to put his hand up and ready to listen to instructions. You are a respectful rock star!
5K	Mitzie Sears		Being an absolute superstar this week! Mitzie is always the first to listen to instructions and carry them out. Thank you.
6S	Emilia Jankowska		Settling in well to Y6, contributing well in lessons and being kind to others. She has made a good impression on her teacher.
6B	Hafsah Noori		Working extremely hard in all subjects and making meaningful contributions during lessons.
6O	Francis Williams		Showing bright intelligence, active energy, hard work, and helpful attitude in class. So proud of you!
6A	Daisy Damarell		Showing an excellent attitude towards learning this week, Daisy has settled well into Year 6 and has been an amazing role model, well done. I am so proud of you.