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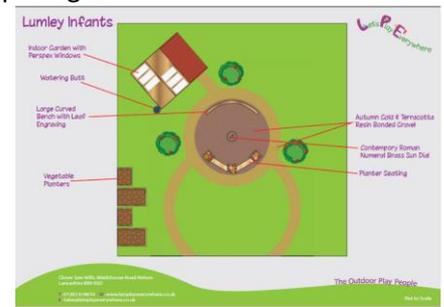
## **AUTUMN TERM 2018** (1)

### **A message from Mrs Wilson**

A warm welcome to all pupils and families at the start of a new and very exciting school year. I hope you had a wonderful summer. I am delighted with how quickly all of the children are settling in their new classes and how smart they look in their uniforms! Thank you for encouraging your children to come into the porch areas by themselves in a morning. This has significantly reduced the volume of people coming through the porches and has created a very calm, welcoming environment for children at the start of the school day. I would like to welcome Miss Cerys O'Connor to our Early Years teaching team.

Work will soon commence on our new outdoor allotment garden adjacent to the nursery building. The project is called 'The Great Lumley Growing Garden' and has been partly funded by the Big Lottery Awards for All Grant. The project includes: installing a potting shed with Perspex windows to encourage indoor growth, with potting tables and shelving and installing sleeper style vegetable plots where produce can be planted and harvested throughout the year. The area will also have specially designed bench seating with window sides where worms can be investigated and a giant sundial. Old paving will be removed and new surfaces laid to ensure the areas can be used throughout the year. We hope the new area will enhance Science teaching throughout school and promote healthy eating and lifestyle choices.

Each year group will be responsible for their own allotment area and we would welcome any knowledgeable gardeners or enthusiasts who would like to help, this may be grandparents or other family members once the installation is complete. Please pop into the school office if you know anyone who may be interested.



I know your children will have a wonderful time with us and they will be encouraged and supported to achieve their very best. Through providing creative, innovative and engaging activities your children will be inspired, enthused and motivated to learn, summing up our school motto,

***“fun to teach and fun to learn.”***

We strive to work in partnership with parents and carers to ensure your children get the very best start to their education. If you have any queries or concerns, please let us know and we will be happy to help.

Kind regards,  
Mrs. Tracey Wilson

## **IMPORTANT SAFETY REMINDERS**

### **PARKING**

Parking is a continuing issue around school. The safety of your children is paramount and can only be achieved if **all** adults collecting children from school follow these very short and simple safety rules:

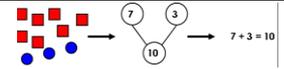
- Do not park on the yellow zig-zag lines at the front and back of school
- Do not block resident's driveways
- Park a reasonable distance away from the entrance to school
- Do not mount the curb causing pedestrians to walk on the road

**A safe place to park is the Old England Car park** and then walk down the pedestrian black path to school.

**We can only keep your children safe with your help!**

### **DOGS**

Dogs are not permitted on the school grounds even when held in the owners arms. Also please do not tie dogs onto the school fence. Many thanks for your co-operation.



**KEY STAGE ONE WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS AND CARERS: Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September – 5:30 - 6:30pm**

This workshop aims to provide parents and carers of children in Year One and Year Two with a flavour of the types of learning activities that take place in school covering the requirements of the National Curriculum. Specific focus will be given to the teaching of Mathematics based on the Singapore methodology and developing children’s skills in reading and writing as well as advice on how to keep your children safe while online. Information regarding the new homework policy will be shared along with practical information on how you can help your child at home.



**Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate children at the workshop.**



**RECEPTION WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS AND CARERS: Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September – 5:30 - 6:30pm**

This workshop aims to provide parents and carers of children in Reception with a flavour of the types of learning activities that take place in Reception covering the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum. Practical information will be presented on how you can help your child develop their early reading and writing skills using Read, Write, Inc. Phonics. Information regarding the new homework policy will be shared along with practical information on how you can help your child at home. Please note, the workshop is for parents and carers **ONLY**.

**We cannot accommodate children at the workshop.**

**PARENTAL CONSULTATIONS**

There will be opportunity to have an individual meeting with your child’s class teacher on either the 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup> October (from 3:15 – 5:30pm) to discuss how your child has settled into their new class. Booking appointment slips will be sent home in due course. (Nursery parents will be able to have an appointment during nursery session times.)



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**AUTUMN STAY AND PLAYS & BOOK FAIR**

We would like to invite you to stay, play and learn alongside your children and even try some tasty harvest treats! Unfortunately, due to the increasing number of pupils in school we can only accommodate **ONE ADULT PER CHILD**. The dates and times are as follows:

Reception: Mrs Phillips’s Class	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 1:30 – 3:00pm
Reception: Miss O’Connor’s Class	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> October 1:30 – 3:00pm
Morning Nursery	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> October 10:00 – 11:30am
Afternoon Nursery	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> October 1:30 – 3:00pm
30 hours Nursery	Choose either morning or afternoon session
Year 1: Miss Illingworth’s Class	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> October 1:30-3:00pm
Year 1: Miss Nicholson’s Class	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October 1:30-3:00pm
Year 2: Mrs Lowes’s Class	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> October 1:30-3:00pm
Year 2: Mrs Hunter’s Class	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> October 1:30-3:00pm



**A book fair will be running in the school hall after each stay and play sessions from 3:00 – 4:00pm from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October.**



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