

# NEWSLETTER

## 17<sup>th</sup> January 2020



**Lowbrook**  
Academy

### Swimarathon 2020

A massive thank you to all of the children who took part in the Swimarathon last Saturday. We have had an amazing £1,216.00 pledged in sponsorship money which will be split equally between Lowbrook Academy and Maidenhead Lions Club

### Key Dates for Term 3, Week 3

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2020 – 2W trip to Roald Dahl Museum.

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2020 – Year 6 trip to Bletchley Park

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2020 – Year 4 trip to Hampton Court Palace

### Lowbrook Parent Consultations 2019-2020

Parent Consultations will be held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February and Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2020 between 2.00pm and 5.00pm in the school hall. Please note that there will be no Prep, After School or Activity Clubs running on either of these dates.

The Teachers2Parents booking portal will open today at 3.00pm and booking instructions will be sent via text and email. The booking portal will then close on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020.

The PTA will be running a Book Fair on both dates in the hall/school reception and your child will be bringing home a flyer regarding this today.

### Parking in the Community

We have been made aware, by local residents, of ongoing issues regarding Lowbrook parents parking in and around The Fairway, Fairlea, Bedford Drive and Loosen Drive at drop off and pick up times.

We have been informed that, despite repeated polite requests from the school and from Thames Valley Police, parents are consistently parking inconsiderately including: -

- Parking with either 2 or 4 wheels on the pavement and not leaving enough room for wheelchair/buggy or pedestrian access for those walking to school
- Parking or waiting within 10 metres of the centre of a junction or crossing (on either side of the road) causing traffic congestion
- Parking cars over white lines and dropped kerbs, again causing difficulties for those walking to school.
- Obstructing the private driveways of residents and using resident driveways to turn around.

We have reiterated before that the health and safety of the school children is our first priority and we would ask again that you park safely, lawfully and considerately and with respect to our neighbouring community, within which the majority of Lowbrook families reside.

We actively encourage walking, cycling or scooting to school and we have a dedicated area to lock up bikes and scooters during the day and a path with a zebra crossing (protected by a barrier) for safe access to the school.

We are aware that some parents and caregivers have no choice but to drive to school but for these parents we would like to encourage the use of the 'kiss and drop' facility at morning drop off and to reiterate the importance of safe, lawful, respectful and considerate parking within our community.

HAPPY

HEALTHY

HIGH ACHIEVERS



Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

**Maths Week**  
**27<sup>th</sup> January – 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020**

Our 'Maths Week 2020' will run from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020, and a number of exciting events have been booked for the children to enjoy during the week.

The children will be visited by Brickies, The Happy Puzzle Company and Explore Learning, as well as taking part in many other maths related activities and quizzes.

To cover the cost of all of these activities, we are asking for a contribution of £10.00 per child. These contributions can be made via the Scopay online payment system up until **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2020**. If you feel you are unable to pay this contribution please speak to Mrs Bailey in the school office.

During Maths Week, all classes will be involved in a financial literacy task called "Enterprise". Financial literacy aims to help children to understand the value of money and make informed and effective decisions with their financial resources. As part of this task, all classes will be selling small items or providing an activity to other children for a maximum cost of 50p. Please feel free to provide your child with a small amount of money to take part if you wish.

Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully,  
*Bianca Iasi*  
Head of School