



Lower Farm Weekly



Friday 30th September 2022

We are coming to the end of another fantastic week of learning. The children have been excited to talk about their themes and I am looking forward to you seeing the amazing art work they have created this week at Parent Share (please see the calendar dates for this). As we move into the colder months, please ensure your child is bringing a coat with them every day as the weather is becoming more unpredictable. Also, can we ask that all items of clothing; including hats, scarves and gloves are labelled so that they can be returned to your child.

As our school is growing, we are having to change some of our routines and systems to meet the growing needs/numbers of children/parents in our community. For this reason, we will be changing the way we let parents/carers know that their child is going to receive a certificate in Celebration Assembly on Friday mornings. Mrs Graham will now be sending an email to those parents whose children are going to receive the certificate on Thursday morning. She will endeavour to do this as early as possible to give you as much notice as possible. Please ensure we have the latest and most up to date email address to contact you with as we will no longer be calling every parent.

As always, we hope you have a lovely weekend and are looking forward to lots of great learning next week too.

Attendance

For week beginning 26th September:

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| Beech Class: | 100% |
| Birch Class: | 100% |
| Cherry Class: | 94.9% |
| Chestnut Class: | 96.5% |
| Elder Class: | 99.1% |
| Elm: | 98.2% |
| Hazel: | 99.1% |



Congratulations to those classes that have reached an attendance of 97% or above. It would be great to see every class reach 97% or above next week.

Value Awards

Cherry Class

Charlotte Resilience
Suyen Integrity

Chestnut Class

Eshaal Achievement
Hamish Achievement

Elder Class

Esmae Achievement
Cole Resilience

Elm Class

Viktorija Integrity
Sumreeth Collaboration

Hazel Class

Mollie Resilience
Kirra Integrity



Well done to those who have particularly stood out for displaying our school values this week



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New Date!

Lower Farm and REAch2's Colour Run

Friday 7th October 14:45 – 15:10 -Reception – Year 3



To help celebrate REAch2's 10th birthday, we will be completing one of our 11before11 promises in a truly colourful way - by holding a Colour Run.

Children will be going onto the school field at 14:45 to complete our Colour Run. Parents/carers will be invited to join us on the school field where, one class at a time, the children will run down a coned area flanked by parents/carers on one side and school staff/pupils on the other. Parents/carers from each class and school staff will be invited to throw paint at their children as they complete the run.

You should have received an email already with an attached waiver and letter to explain arrangements/safety measures in more detail, but a full risk assessment for the event has been completed which includes the following measures:

All participants and their parents/carers will be advised to wear sunglasses or other type of eye covering through the event - school can provide children with a pair of sunglasses for the event, but you can provide your own eye protection for yourselves and your children if you would prefer.

Only staff and parents will be throwing coloured dye, with guidance that it will be from the neck level and below. Powders can be placed (not thrown) on any participants with respiratory illness, to ensure they are included. Please notify school if you feel this step is necessary for your child(ren). Only children who have had a signed waiver returned to school will be able to participate in this event.

Children will need to come to school dressed in a white or light coloured T-shirt, a pair of shorts and a pair of trainers/shoes suitable for running/jogging in that you do not mind getting covered in powder paint. The powder paint used should wash off in a washing machine. Throughout the day, they can wear their school jumpers on top if they need to, but we will remove these before the Colour Run starts.

Any children attending after school club on this day (Friday 7th October) will need a change of clothes to change into for the club and a plastic bag to store dirty clothes in. All other children will be dismissed by class teachers to parents on the playground after the event.

Reception children will be collected from their outdoor area (normal gate) and Years 1-3 will be collected from outside their class doors where parents/carers will need to sign themselves out on the class clip boards which staff will have ready.

We really look forward to as many of you supporting these events as possible.

Parents/carers will access this event through the wooden gate at the side of the school and then the green fence at the bottom of the playground (unless you have come to the Macmillan Coffee Event first). There will be class clipboards where all parents/carers must sign in and out for this event. You will then need to sign out when collecting your children from the class teachers at the end of the Colour Run.



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Dates for your Diary

Friday 7th October: Lower Farm and Reach 2's Colour Run 14:45 - 15:10

Letters of consent need to be completed before children take part

Wednesday 12th October: Parent/Carer Share Event 14:30

Tuesday 18th October: Parents/Carer Pupil Progress Meetings 13:30 - 18:00

Thursday 20th October: Friends of Lower/PTA Halloween Disco (details to follow)

Half Term: Monday 24th October - Friday 28th October

Monday 14th November: Anti-bullying week - wear odd socks to school

Friday 18th November: Non-uniform day - wear yellow/spotty clothes for Children in Need

Friday 25th November: Non-uniform day - Bring in a bottle for Christmas tombola

Friday 2nd December: Non-uniform day - Bring in chocolate for Christmas tombola

Wednesday 7th December: Parent/Carer Share Event 14:30

Monday 12th December: Reception Nativity 14:00

Thursday 15th December: Christmas Fayre 15:30

Friday 16th December: Non-uniform Day. **School closes at 13:30 for Christmas Holidays**

Christmas Holidays: Monday 19th December - Monday 2nd January

Tuesday 3rd January: Staff inset day - school closed

Wednesday 4th January: School opens - spring term