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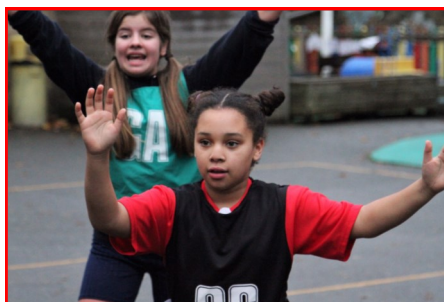
Hello

Thank you all for the tremendous support and cheer you have given us all this year. Lowther is a special place because of the wonderful sense of community that you all help to create, along with the fantastic energy and enthusiasm for school we see everyday from the children. I think our community works brilliantly together, with the children the absolute stars of the show! Enjoy the special holiday, treasure those times and memories together, we look forward to seeing you all in, yes, can you believe it, 2019!

Talking of 2019, don't forget that we break up on Thursday 20th December and come back on Thursday 3rd January (there is no Inset Day this year) See you then!

The local bus - the 419, has a proposal for a significant route change at the public consultation stage. This may well affect you so I recommend you view the consultation and comment if you would like to express your views.

<https://consultations.tfl.gov.uk/buses/bus-changes-richmond/>



More sporting success for Lowther! Our netball team, playing only their second game, won 27-4 away at St.Osmund's. East Sheen are up next, with the match being played at Lowther at 3pm on Thursday 25th January 2019. We'd love lots of support so stick the date in your diary and come and cheer us on, I think you'll be impressed with what you see.

Our cross country team ran superbly and delivered some excellent results in the recent Borough cross country competition at Richmond Park. Special mention to Thomas Prance in Year 6 who came an incredible 5th place in a field of nearly 200 male runners!

Thank you for your support and backing with promoting good attendance. We are very pleased with this term's attendance. The very minimum attendance percentage we expect at Lowther is 96%. Only one class this term did not meet that expectation. In fact only a small number of children across the whole school have a percentage lower than that. We want to ensure ALL children have at least 96% attendance. Please help us achieve that in 2019.

Lowther's minimum attendance level is 96%

Class	% Attendance for Autumn Term
Reception Oaks	98%
Reception Willows	96%
Year 1 Beech	97%
Year 1 Pine	96%
Year 2 Elm	95%
Year 2 Maple	97%
Year 3M	96%
Year 3R	97%
Year 4G	97%
Year 4P	97%
Year 5N	96%
Year 5R	97%
Year 6C	98%
Year 6R	96%



As part of their business project with Stride Ventures our Year 6 pupils had to produce Perfect Pitches to a judging panel that included Zac Goldsmith MP. The children expertly handled questions about pricing, promotion & responsible business.



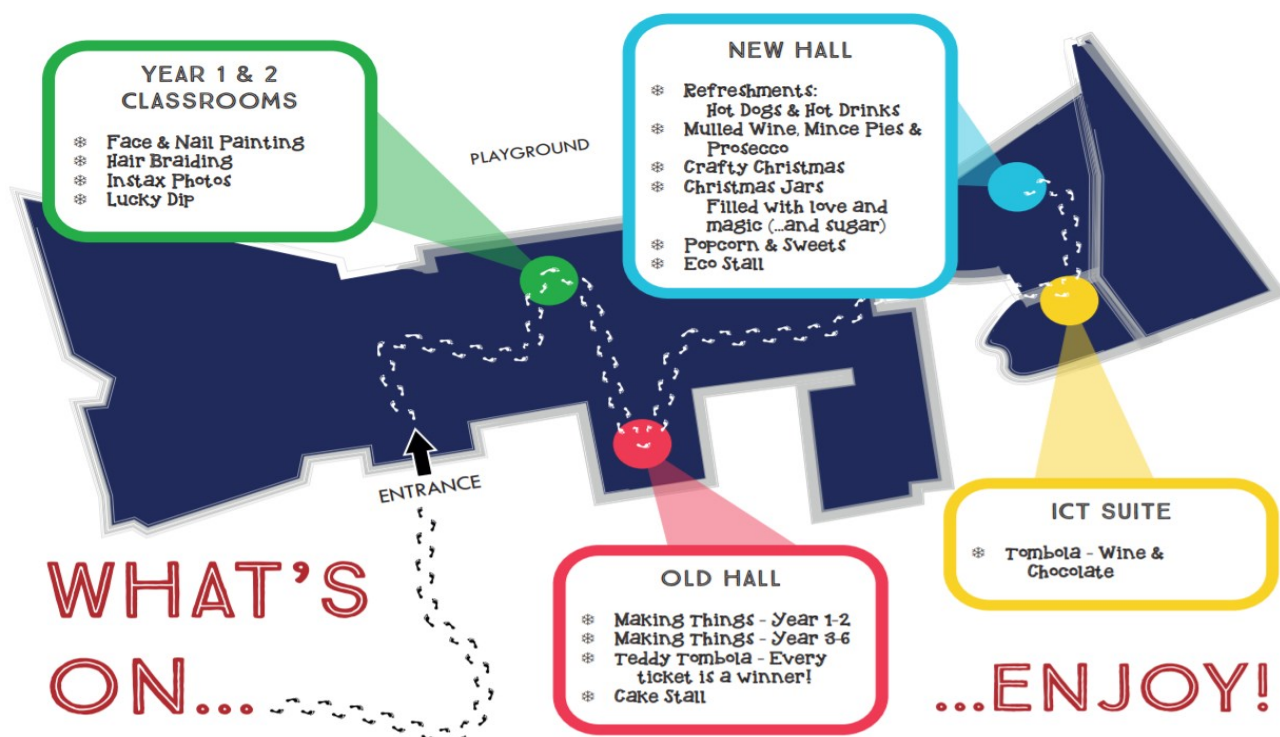
We had over 100 children apply for and take part in our annual Takeover Day. It was a lot of fun!



16 children represented the school at chess in a friendly match versus Mary Mags school in Mortlake. We're really keen to give children opportunities in as many different activities as possible.

Photographs of school events

News updates at Lowther



We are all looking forward to the Christmas Fair. Please do come along and support your school. Not only is this a fun event but it is also a super fundraiser for our school. This year we're hoping to raise funds to upscale our sound system that we use for all our events as well as looking to provide financial support for our developing music programme.

The fair starts at 3:15pm on Friday 14th December. The PTA have produced an incredibly handy map of where everything is at the fair and so we've included it here in the newsletter for easy reference.

See you there!



As a team we are always very appreciative of any gifts at Christmas but really the best gifts are the children's smiles and a well written card always goes down a treat too. If you really feel that you would like to give a gift how about making a donation to one of the charities that the school regularly supports. Perhaps you'd like to make a donation to the school instead? You can do this quickly and easily via Virgin Money giving. The full details are on the school website.

Thank you in advance for your support.

This week there are lots of Christmas shows for you to come and enjoy.

If you are coming with young children we politely request that should they become unsettled you take them out of the hall quickly and quietly. We also request that you keep filming and photography to a minimum as it can distract the children and also spoil others enjoyment of the show. Please be aware of people around you, especially when using phones or I pads to take pictures. Please note no pictures of children other than your own should be posted to any social media. The audience should remain seated for the duration of the show—with the exception of the encore at the end of course!) We will take lots of good photos and share via the school website.

Our annual Christmas service takes place next week at Holy Trinity Church on Castelnau.

The service starts at 9:45am on Wednesday 19th December and parents are welcome to join us from 9.30am.

The church service is always a great way to finish the calendar year at school. The children have a lovely selection of songs, music and readings for you. We look forward to seeing you there.