

Lowther

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

We hope you've had a great week. Do check out the information on pages 2 and 3 of the newsletter this week. You can see where our wonderful children go on to when they leave Lowther, our current attendance rates and the awesome Christmas Fair poster. We hope you enjoy the read and have a fantastic weekend!

Mark and Alastair

We are delighted to announce that we will be having our usual **Christmas shows** in the younger year groups again this year. What fantastic news! We know how much families enjoy coming to see our shows and of course, how much the children enjoy performing for their family. Please do look out for a flyer with all the details coming very soon. We can't wait!

What's been happening this week?

Year 3: This week we visited Year 3 to observe the learning that was happening. We were very impressed with the excellent study going on, the high quality teaching and the children's fantastic attitude to learning.

By Christmas we will have formally observed the learning across all of our classes. This is an important part of professional development for teachers and for further school improvement.

Sports Tournaments: Our Y56 girls football team and 2 x Y56 mixed Basketball teams all competed superbly in their tournaments this week, displaying tonnes of skill, endeavour and teamwork. Great job children.

Upcoming events and diary dates

- ⇒ Monday 21st November is **Sports top day** to celebrate the start of the World Cup. We are asking for a £1 contribution towards PE equipment at Lowther.
- ⇒ Thursday 24th November is our next **Open Day** which starts at 6pm.
- ⇒ Friday 25th November is **Takeover Day**—a day where children from Y1 to Y6 can apply to be a teacher and teach their class a lesson.

Assembly themes this week

Anti-bullying week

As it's anti-bullying week this week both of our assemblies have focused on this. We talked to the children about "reaching out".

Either to help a friend or to seek help themselves. It is essential every child feels safe at school and knows what to do if they feel worried or anxious.

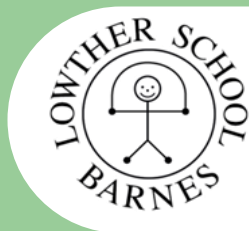
Photo of the week

Our fantastic photograph this week is of the whole school which is now proudly on display in the lobby. Due to social distancing rules we haven't been able to take one of these since 2019 so we are delighted to have a nice new one now! Huge thanks to Miss Jana for her expert photography skills!



Don't forget!

Our new library is now open for business! We look forward to welcoming you to the "Reading Forest". Huge thanks to the parents that have helped get the Library ready. We wouldn't have been able to do it without you.



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We're often asked where do children go on to when they leave Lowther and the simple answer is...lots of different schools across London! The table below gives you a flavour of some of the most popular choices. There is further detail on the school website. We hope you find this interesting and useful.

	3 Most common schools (number of pupils and %)	Number of different schools	State (number of pupils and %)	Independent (number of pupils and %)
2022	Richmond Park Academy (15 pupils = 34 %) Christ's (7 pupils = 16%) Chiswick (7 pupils = 16%)	16	36 (82%)	8 (18%)
2021	Richmond Park Academy (12 pupils = 28 %) Ark Putney (5 pupils = 12%) Chiswick/Christ's (pupils = 7%)	22	28 (65%)	15 (35%)
2020	Richmond Park Academy (11 pupils = 26%) Fulham Cross (6 pupils = 14%) Christ's/Ibstock/West London Free (3 pupils = 7%)	18	31 (74%)	11 (26%)
2019	Richmond Park Academy (16 pupils = 42%) Christ's (6 pupils = 16%) Chiswick (3 pupils = 8%)	11	32 (84%)	6 (16%)
2018	Richmond Park Academy (11 pupils = 24 %) Christ's (8 pupils = 17%) Richmond upon Thames School (7 pupils = 15%)	17	36 (78%)	10 (22%)
		17 different schools on average	5 year aver- age = 77% 163 pupils	5 year average = 23% 50 pupils

Class	Total Attendance	Trending up or down since mid-October
y1 Beech	97.58	↓ -0.10
y1 Pine	94.65	↓ -0.93
y2 Elm	95.03	↓ -0.64
y2 Maple	95.88	↓ -0.07
KS1 Average = 95.8% (-0.5)		
y3J	97.48	↑ +0.63
y3P	95.27	↓ -0.86
y4T	96.95	↑ +0.79
LKS2 average = 96.6% (+0.2)		
y5H	94.86	↓ -0.39
y5N	96.62	↑ -0.59
y6CR	96.27	↓ +0.48
UKS2 average = 96.0% (-0.1)		
TOTAL	Whole School 95.79%	↓ -1.05



Here is our whole school attendance for the school year to date. We expect every child (and every class) to exceed 96.5% attendance. There is a direct correlation between good attendance and good progress in all aspects of school life. Thank you for ensuring your child comes to school every day

Lowther CHRISTMAS FAIR

FRIDAY
2 DEC
3.30 - 5.30 PM

amazing
RAFFLE PRIZES!

- Manchester United tickets •
- local pub/restaurant vouchers •
- Amazon Fire • knife set • massages •
- specialist bakery subscription •
- museum tickets • and many more •

Raffle tickets can be purchased
from the school office
for just **£1**

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