



Lowther Primary School

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Welcome to The Lowther School Family!

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are delighted to welcome X to our Nursery class. We're looking forward to seeing them shine and sparkle in their year at Lowther Nursery. Thank you for choosing Lowther Nursery, we're delighted that you have. The early years are such a magical and special time for every child and their family and we look forward to sharing this with you.

The relationship between home and school is vital and so we will ensure we keep in regular contact with you. All the teachers and leadership team at Lowther have an open door policy and are always happy to talk to you about any school matters. Please also sign up for our email system – Parentmail. It's quick and easy to do. The office team will be in touch with all the details. You can also keep in touch with all things Lowther via our website, our Twitter page and our Facebook page too.

The Nursery follow the main school term dates. Our morning sessions run from 8:30am until 11:30am. The afternoon session operates from 12:30pm until 3:30pm. Included with this letter are the term dates for the upcoming school year and also the schedule for the first few weeks for the Nursery classes. We believe that the best way to settle your children into school life is to stagger their entry over a three week period. This helps support the children to feel happy and comfortable at school without becoming over tired and overwhelmed. Term starts for Nursery on Wednesday 1st September 2021 and the children then build up to attending for 5 sessions/days a week from Monday 20th September 2021. When children are starting in the Nursery we always ensure we try to be flexible and adaptable to ensuring the schedule works well for your child. Please do talk to us if this is something you'd like to discuss further.

Our fantastic Nursery teacher, Mrs Murphy, will be back in touch with a complete welcome pack and forms to complete before your child starts at Lowther Nursery to give you further details regarding the new school year. We are also holding a welcome to Lowther Nursery Meeting on Thursday 2nd September 2021 where all parents/carers are invited to come along and find out more about the Nursery curriculum as well as practical things like the drop-off/collection routine and getting to know the team here at Lowther and some of the other parents/carers. In the meantime, should you require any more information, please do not hesitate to get in touch. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Very best wishes

Mark Tuffney

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Headteacher, Lowther Primary School



Term dates: **Lowther Primary School 2021-2022**

Autumn Term 2021 - Wednesday 1st September to Friday 17th December 2021

Inset Day - Wednesday 1st September

Children start - Thursday 2nd September

Children finish - Friday 22nd October

Half Term week - Monday 25th October to Friday 29th October

Inset Day - Monday 1st November

Children start - Tuesday 2nd November

Children finish - Friday 17th December

Please find our term dates for the upcoming school year outlined here. All our term dates for the next two school years can be found on the school website under the "Welcome" tab.

Spring Term 2022 - Tuesday 4th January to Friday 1st April 2022

Children start - Tuesday 4th January

Children finish - Friday 11th February

Half Term week - Monday 14th February to Friday 18th February

Children start - Monday 21st February

Children finish - Friday 1st April

Summer Term 2022 - Tuesday 19th April to Thursday 21st July 2022

Children start - Tuesday 19th April

Bank Holiday - Monday 2nd May

Children finish - Friday 27th May

Half Term week - Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June

Children start - Monday 6th June

Inset Day - Friday 17th June

Inset Day - Monday 20th June

Children finish - Thursday 21st July



Settling in Timetable: Lowther Nursery Classes 2021/2022

At Lowther we want to make the transition into school as smooth as possible. Below is a timetable which details the gradual process which we follow to ensure the children are confident, happy and settled. Please note that the timings and requirements for each day vary so do read carefully. We will be in touch again before your child starts when you will also receive a 'Home visit' and 'Meet the Teacher' letter to find out your appointment time and a 'Staggered start groupings' letter to find out if your child is in group 1M, 1A, 2M, 2A, 3M or 3A.

Please note all children that are due to attend Nursery for the full day will be able to do full-time from Friday 17th September 2021. Prior to that it will be either a morning or afternoon session only.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 WB 30/08/21 HOME VISITS	30/08/21 School closed	31/08/21 School closed	01/09/21 Home visits Visits at home for children who are new to Lowther School	02/09/21 Home visits Visits at home for children who are new to Lowther School Welcome to Lowther Nursery meeting for all families from 9am until 930am.	03/09/21 Early Years closed for staff training
Week 2 WB 06/09/21 Small Group Sessions	06/09/21 Home visits Visits at home for children who are new to Lowther School	07/09/21 Home visits Visits at home for children who are new to Lowther School	08/09/21 Group 1M and 1A in school 8.30-11.30 Morning 1230 – 330 Afternoon Up to 10 children from each session to attend school- no school for other children.	9/09/21 Group 1M and 1A in school 8.30-11.30 Morning 1230 – 330 Afternoon Up to 10 children from each session to attend school- no school for other children.	10/09/21 Group 1M and 1A in school 8.30-11.30 Morning 1230 – 330 Afternoon Up to 10 children from each session to attend school- no school for other children.
Week 3 WB 13/09/21 Small Group Sessions	13/09/21 Group 1M and 1A in school 8.30-11.30 Morning 1230 – 330 Afternoon Up to 10 children from each session to attend school- no school for other children.	14/09/21 Groups 1M, 2M and 1A, 2A in school 8.30-11.30 Morning 1230 – 330 Afternoon Up to 20 children from each session to attend school- no school for other children.	15/09/21 Groups 1M, 2M and 1A, 2A in school 8.30-11.30 Morning 1230 – 330 Afternoon Up to 20 children from each session to attend school- no school for other children.	16/09/21 Groups 1M, 2M and 1A, 2A in school 8.30-11.30 Morning 1230 – 330 Afternoon Up to 20 children from each session to attend school- no school for other children.	17/09/21 ALL children in school (1M,2M,3M and 1A,2A,3A) 8.30-11.30 Morning 1230 – 330 Afternoon All children from each session (morning and afternoon) to attend school. (Children due to stay all day can stay all day from this point)
Week 4 WB 20/09/21 FULL TIME	20/09/21 8.30-11.30 Morning 1230 – 330 Afternoon All children will attend for a full session	21/09/21 8.30-11.30 Morning 1230 – 330 Afternoon All children will attend for a full session	22/09/21 8.30-11.30 Morning 1230 – 330 Afternoon All children will attend for a full session	23/09/21 8.30-11.30 Morning 1230 – 330 Afternoon All children will attend for a full session	24/09/21 8.30-11.30 Morning 1230 – 330 Afternoon All children will attend for a full session