

23RD SEPTEMBER 2022

Thank you to all parents who have already logged onto the school app, paid dinner money online or supported your child doing their homework using Teams—I know there are lots of new systems to get used to at the start of a school year and we appreciate all of your efforts!

It has been great that we have now been able to get all three of our Year 3 classes to the pool to start their swimming lessons. Please try to encourage your children to practice getting dry and dressed after showering at home as we are seeing some children having difficulty doing this still after lessons. If this is something that they struggle with, please feel free to pop a warm onesie in their bags for them to put on to go home in so that they are warm on the journey home where they can get changed properly with your help.

Just a reminder that last week we sent out a Parent App to make you aware that the office staff are no longer able to take hot meals from parents dropping them into school for their children around lunchtime or break time. We have a number of children with medical needs who require their attention during the morning and they are not able to take collection of hot meals from parents at the same time as they are attending to these children. If you wish to send a hot meal for your child, please consider purchasing flasks that can keep food warm until lunchtime and sending them into school with it as their packed lunch. Thank you for your understanding.

Class Attendances—Week beginning 19th September 2022

Class 1	95.2%
Class 2	90.4%
Class 3	98.3%
Class 4	94.6%
Class 5	97.1%
Class 6	88.3

Class 7	99.6%
Class 8	96.7%
Class 9	93.2%
Class 10	95%
Class 11	94.2%
Class 12	90.8%



Best wishes,
Mrs J Hill

What Have You Done at School Today?

Have you seen our weekly round-up posts on our Facebook page yet?

<https://m.facebook.com/gaytonjuniorschool/>



Microsoft Teams



We must all be noticing the rising costs of shopping and energy prices at home, as well as fuel costs for those of us who drive, but one rising cost that is having a huge impact on school is the purchase of paper (this has been an ongoing issue since the Russian invasion of the Ukraine).

As a result, you will be aware that we are working to cut back on our photocopying by producing weekly electronic newsletters and encouraging children to access their homework using Teams, rather than sending home paper copies each week.

Whilst we appreciate that not everyone has a device they can use to complete homework tasks, Teams can be accessed on mobile phones and staff are happy for children to complete tasks on paper and upload them by taking a photograph. Helping us in this way will help to reduce not only our carbon footprint but also our hefty printing costs, meaning that we can focus more of our budget on funding additional trips this year to support the children with their learning.

One of our main focuses this year is on developing experiences for writing. We trialed this in Year 6 in the Summer Term when we funded a trip to Speedwell Caverns in Castleton. The children were able to produce a much higher quality of writing when they returned to school based on their experiences from the trip and the experiences they had in the caves and this is something our year group teams are planning to re-create with a number of trips they have planned over the school year, many of which we are hoping to fund or partially fund with school budget if we are able. Sometimes we will simply take advantage of trips we had planned for other aspects of the curriculum, such as science or history, but where this is not possible, additional termly trips or experiences have been planned for each year group, so watch this space for further details!



Thank you for your support with this. Please speak to Mr O'Donnell at school if you have any queries about using Teams to complete homework tasks.

Swimming Kit

The Pool have sent this reminder regarding what is and is not appropriate swimwear for swimming lessons.



Please do not send children with swimwear which is not chlorine-resistant. **They advise that weak or non-swimmers wear close-fitting swimwear.**

Swimming staff will not allow children to enter the pool if their swimwear is considered to be unsafe, too baggy or too heavy.

Children must wear swimming hats.

Class 1 swim on Wednesdays
Class 2 swim on Thursdays
Class 3 swim on Tuesdays

Young Children

- 1 Swimming trunks 2 Swimming shorts
- 3 Bikini's/Tankini's 4 Swimming costumes
- 5 Float suits 6 Neoprene "float jackets"
- 7 Knee and elbow-length suits 8 Swim nappies

Please make sure your child has their kit with them. Swimming is not optional: it is a National Curriculum requirement.

Year 6 Height & Weight Measurement

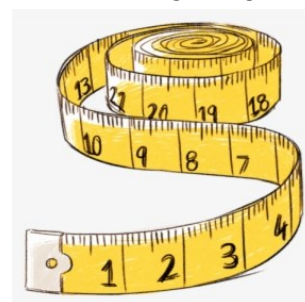
You were contacted in the summer term about the team who will be visiting school on **Friday 30th September**. All measurement results will also be recorded in your child's health record, and a member of the school nursing team or your GP may contact you if they have a concern about your child's weight. All information and results will be treated confidentially - no child's height or weight measurements information will be given to school staff or other children. If there are any concerns regarding your child's height and weight, as well as a possible contact from the School Nursing team, you will be sent your child's results through the post, including information about healthy lifestyle services. If your child is assessed as being a healthy weight you will not receive feedback from us but can contact your school nurse who will be happy to talk to you should you wish.

For further information, please visit the following website: <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/your-childs-weight/home> which gives tips on healthy eating and being active.

Opting your child out of the programme:

If you are happy for your child to be weighed and measured, you do not need to do anything.

You should have written to the team in the summer term when you received the letter if you did not want your child to take part. If you did not do this at the time, we advise you to let the **NCMP Team** know as soon as possible by email to dmh-tr.NCMPteam@nhs.net You must state your child's full name, date of birth and school in your email. Children will not be made to participate if they do not want to.



Flu Immunisations

The team will be visiting school on **Tuesday 8th November** and are offering the nasal flu vaccination to children in all four junior year groups.



Please visit <https://www.derbyshireandcityimms.co.uk/Forms/Flu> to complete the consent form. One consent form per child is required. **The option to consent or decline the vaccination is at the end of the questionnaire so please complete even if you do not want your child to have the vaccination.**

The unique school code for Gayton Junior School is DC112756

For more information about the vaccination, please view their leaflet:

Flu Information Leaflet

www.derbyshirefamilyhealthservice.nhs.uk

If you experience any problems please call the School Age Immunisation Team:



Repton: 01283 707178

Or email DCHST.immunisationteam@nhs.net



Harvest 2022



Our Harvest Collection this year will be in support of The Padley Centre, who visited the children in assembly this week. We appreciate that times are hard, but they are supporting struggling families and individuals throughout Derby and are collecting the following goods:

Tins of cooked meat

Tins of vegetables

Tinned tomatoes

Rice/Pasta

Cuppa Soups

Tins of soup

Biscuits/crackers

Tea/small jars of coffee

Washing up liquid

Toothpaste/tooth brushes

Tinned pasta/beans

Gravy

Please send any donations into school for your child to hand in to their class teacher by **Wednesday 5th October**.

Tins of fish

Tinned potatoes

Long-life milk

Tins of dessert e.g. fruit, rice pudding

Sauces e.g. tomato/brown/mayonnaise

Jams/Honey/Peanut butter/Chocolate spread

Cereals

Toilet rolls

Bath/shower gel/shampoo

Laundry Detergent

Squash

Cooking Sauces

School Dinners

Next week we are on our Week 2 Dinner Menu. Dinners are £2.20 per day and children can switch between dinners and sandwiches from home daily if they wish.



<https://gaytonj.derby.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/September-2022-Menu-Gayton.pdf>

Our servery staff were pleased to achieve a five star food hygiene rating when they were inspected just before the summer break. Mrs Shergill, Mrs Dol and Mrs Begum work hard each day to ensure the serving area is kept clean for daily dinner service, which is growing increasingly busier as term goes on.
Thank you ladies!



KEY DATES 2022-23

Friday 30th September	AM	Year 6 Height & Weight Measurement
Friday 7th October	Details to Follow	STEM Day
Thursday 13th October	DATE CHANGE!	Year 3 Markeaton Park Trip—Details to Follow
Friday 21st October	3:30pm	End of Autumn Term 1
Monday 31st October	All Day	INSET DAY 3—SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Monday 31st October	All Day	DEADLINE FOR YEAR 7 APPLICATIONS FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL
Tuesday 1st November	8:55am	Back to School—Autumn Term 2
Monday 7th or Wednesday 9th November	3:30pm-6:30pm	Parent/Carer Meetings with Class Teachers
Tuesday 8th November	All Day	Nasal Flu Immunisations
Monday 14th November or Tuesday 15th November	Details to Follow	Year 5 Trip to Sherwood Forest
Wednesday 16th November	All Day	Year 6 Heart Dissection Workshops
Wednesday 21st December	3:30pm	End of Autumn Term 2
Thursday 22nd December	All Day	INSET DAY 4—SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Monday 9th January	8:55am	Back to School—Spring Term 1
Friday 17th February	3:30pm	End of Spring Term 1
Monday 27th February	8:55am	Back to School—Spring Term 2
Thursday 30th March	PM	Break up for Easter Holiday
Friday 31st March	All Day	INSET 5
Monday 17th April	AM	Back to School—Summer Term 1
Monday 2nd May	All Day	May Day Bank Holiday
Monday 8th-Friday 12th May	Mornings	Year 6 SATs Week
Friday 26th May	PM	Break up for Half Term
Monday 5th June	AM	Back to School—Summer Term 2
Friday 21st July	PM	Break up for Summer Holiday



Dear Parents and Carers,

LCS OPEN DAY and OPEN EVENING – THURSDAY 13th OCTOBER, 2022

Welcome to Littleover Community School. Choosing a secondary school is one of the most important decisions that you and your child will make. I should briefly like to explain why I believe our school can offer your child an educational experience of the highest quality.

As a school, we are rightly proud of the excellent results at both A Level and GCSE achieved by our students year after year. Examination results, however, are not the whole story. Students past and present, together with their parents and carers, praise the supportive atmosphere and sense of community which exists at Littleover Community School. We see ourselves as truly a comprehensive school, where all staff work together with students of all abilities and backgrounds to provide our young people with the best preparation for entering the world of work, or higher education. Alongside the formal curriculum, there are many opportunities for extra-curricular activities, ranging from the dramatic and musical, to sporting events and outdoor pursuits and activities.

We are proud to be a community school, believing that the ideal of local schools, accountable to our students, parents and carers and working together, is the best way to serve the community. We have strong links with our partner primary schools, to ensure that the transition to secondary school is as smooth as possible for all our students. Our pastoral and safeguarding systems are well established, offering the appropriate level of care to support our students and to keep them safe. Parents and carers are regularly informed of progress and school developments and are welcome to contact school at any time to discuss any concerns they may have.

To assist our potential new students, parents and carers in making their choice of secondary school for September 2023, we will be holding our **Open Day and Open Evening on Thursday 13th October, 2022**. There will be a programme of classroom displays and activities from **5-30pm to 7-00pm**, as well as opportunities for you to talk to staff and students about the school. **Two Information Sessions** will be held at **5-00pm and 7-00pm** in the Main Hall for parents/carers of prospective students for September 2023; both meetings will have the same content and parents/carers should aim to attend one of these meetings over the course of the evening. A large amount of additional information about the school is also contained on our website at www.littleover.derby.sch.uk

As well as the programme of events for the evening of October 13th, we will also be offering a limited number of places for tours of the school during the school day itself. There will be two tours, one at 9am and one at 10am, on the morning of 13th October, which are for parents/carers of prospective Year7 students for September 2023 only. Because numbers for these tours are limited, we ask that only one parent/carer per family attend and that places are booked in advance.

To book a place on one of these tours, please call 01332 978478 between 1pm and 3pm, on Monday 3rd October. Places are on a 'first come first served' basis and are strictly limited. This telephone number will only be in operation between the times stated above. Please do not call the main school telephone number to book tour places. There are two further opportunities for personal tours of the school later in the academic year, for parents/carers who miss out on places for 13th October.

A one-way system will be in operation during the evening event and visitors should arrive via the Pastures Hill entrance and leave through Fresco Drive. There will be limited parking on site, so if you can avoid arriving by car, this would be advisable.

I do hope you will be able to attend this event and I look forward to meeting you. If I can be of further help, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

J. Wilding
Headteacher
Littleover Community School
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SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER 2022

Group 1	09:00-10:00	Ages 4-6
Group 2	10:00-11:00	Ages 7-8
Group 3	11:00-12:00	Ages 9+

Dear Parents,

I am delighted to inform you that following the summer break soccer coaching has returned. The courses will run on **Saturday mornings** from September through to December 2022.

The courses are run by **F.A. Qualified** coaches and are open to **Boys** and **Girls** aged between 4 and 13. All abilities are catered for with total beginners introduced through **FUN** and confidence building practices. The course is tightly structured to ensure all aspects of football skills are developed. Coaches are DBS checked.

Suitable sportswear should be worn as Derby Moor is outdoors on grass pitches and please bring a non-fizzy drink.

The cost of the course is £6 a week which is payable every four weeks (£24) with the first payment due on week one (second payment due on week 5 and so on). The club is fully supervised so children may be left in our care, however parents are welcome to stay and watch if they wish to.

ALL PLAYERS RECEIVE AN ENGRAVED TROPHY AND COURSE CERTIFICATE at the presentation, which will be held on the final week of the course.

To book a place for your child text the following:-

MOOR + CHILD'S NAME + GROUP NUMBER (1, 2 or 3)

to telephone number

07749 164 777

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