



# The Lower Halstow News

Lower Halstow/Newington CEP Schools Federation

Autumn Term 1

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Welcome back to all parent/carers, children, staff and Governors, we hope you had an enjoyable holiday.

## Family Liaison Officer

Miss Eyers, our Family Liaison Officer, will be continuing to work across the Federation and is at Lower Halstow School every morning. For parent carers new to the school this is an explanation of her role:

*Hello, my name is Cathy Eyers and I am your Family Liaison Officer. This means my door is open to both parents and children to help in whatever way I can to make this the best year yet at school. I will be working across both schools, so if you wish to talk in detail you may prefer to call and book an appointment. Please feel free to come and introduce yourselves, and I welcome any suggestions of ways I could help you this year. I look forward to working with you all.*

## Healthy Packed Lunches

We have started off very well on our mission for all children to have healthy packed lunches. Thank you for your continued support with this.

## Class Newsletters

Class newsletters will be sent out by the end of the week. These letters explain what the children will be learning and information regarding PE. All letters will be added to the website.

## School Uniform

We have been very pleased with how smart the children have been looking in their school uniforms over the past days. However, we would like to ask that all children have the correct PE kit in school which contains, blue shorts, white T-shirt, black plimsolls and optional trainers. For the winter months only a plain tracksuit may be worn for outside PE.

## Term Dates

Please note that all Term dates can be viewed on our website; [www.lower-halstow.kent.sch.uk](http://www.lower-halstow.kent.sch.uk). Please inform the Office if you would prefer a paper print out.

## PFA Plea

Our PFA have worked extremely hard over the last few years to provide a range of events and activities to support the school. However we are running short of members who are able to commit some time and attend meetings / organise these events. If you would like to become a member please leave your name and contact details at the school office, so that we can let you know when the next meeting is scheduled.

## Parking

Please be careful when parking in the roads around the school. Ensure you are not parking in the school access road or blocking the drives of local residents, the school access road and gates. Please report any dangerous parking to PCSO Matt Link by calling Kent Police on 101.

## E-Safety Tip

Children and young people spend an average of 12 hours a week online and it becomes part of their routine early on in life. That's why it's important to start talking to your child about keeping safe online at an early age.

## Dates

Sept	23	Harvest Festival - LH Church - 10am
Oct	10	Year 6 Trip to Parliament
	11	New Entrant Tours - Year R 2017
	13	School Photos - Individual & Siblings
	19	Parent's Evening 3.40-6.00
	20	Parent's Evening 5.00-7.30
	21	End of Term 1 / INSET DAY - No children to attend
	31	Start of Term 2
Nov	10	New Entrant Tours - Year R 2017
	14-18	Anti-bullying Week
	23	Open Afternoon for new entrants - Year R 2017
	25	PFA Non Uniform Day, for donations for the fair (more info to follow of what donations)
Dec	2	PFA Christmas Fair (3.30-5.00)
	6	KS1 Production to parents 2pm
	7	KS1 Production to grandparents 2pm
	14	Music Celebration Assembly 2pm
	15	Christmas Parties
	21	Christmas Service - LH Church 10am
	21	End of Term 2
Jan	3	Start of Term 3
Feb	10	End of Term 3 / INSET DAY - No children to attend
	20	Start of Term 4
Mar	31	End of Term 4
Apr	18	Start of Term 5
May	26	End of Term 5
June	5	INSET DAY. No children to attend
	6	Start of Term 6
July	21	End of Term 6

**We welcome comments on how to make our school a better school for our children and are happy to meet parents/carers at mutually convenient times.**

Our newsletter can also be seen at

[www.lower-halstow.kent.sch.uk](http://www.lower-halstow.kent.sch.uk)

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