



Lowther School



We love learning at Lowther

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

We are really enjoying the start of 2025. We've been really impressed with the children's focus and hard work in these first two weeks of the Spring Term.

We really appreciate just how supportive families are of Lowther and we love how much you support your school. On the reverse of this letter are details of our fundraising drive being led by our fantastic PTA over the next two years. We have some exciting opportunities ahead for Lowther to continue to develop and grow. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

As most of you will know, we have two social media accounts, Instagram and Facebook (please note we are no longer posting to X/Twitter) The aim is to help ensure that parents and families can keep fully connected with all things Lowther. Viewing our Instagram posts is easy, you do not need to log in or sign up for an account. Those of you that do follow us on Instagram, we'd like to say a huge thank you for your support and interest in the school as well as for sharing Lowther life with friends and family. We are delighted we have a high level of engagement in our reels and posts. We will continue to post new content on our social media platforms over the coming weeks and months. We hope you enjoy engaging with us. Have a great week!

Mark and Alastair

Sports Update

The netball season started on Friday for Team Lowther and our squad did us proud. In their first ever game they came from 5-2 down to draw 6-6 in a thrilling match away at Mary Mags. Super stuff! Later this week we have a team entering the Borough's first ever Boccia competition. Exciting times!

Upcoming diary dates

Here's some of the main whole school events happening soon!

LGT auditions — Thursday 30th and Friday 31st January

World views day — Wednesday 5th February

LGT Final — Friday 7th February

End of half term — Friday 14th February

Assembly themes this week

Screen your Story

Mr Ripley's assembly focused on Screen your Story and the launch of this years competition.

Not being boring part 2

On Wednesday I set the children a number of challenges to see what ideas they could come up with. For example, what could they do with just a single piece of paper, or a random set of numbers as well as things like just a single tennis ball. We encouraged the children to be creative and try something new or different or to challenge themselves. It was great fun!

Photograph of the week



What a fantastic success slippers week was. The children loved it and some are asking for us to continue it! Thank you for your support and engagement with slippers week, it was much appreciated.

Screen your Story

Wow! We were so impressed and pleased with the incredible turn out of parent and family helpers for Screen your Story. The children have produced some excellent work and so we're hopefully of achieving even more story writing success in this fantastic competition.

Lowther Primary School PTA presents...

Mr Green's

BINGO

**Tickets £5 in advance
£7 on the door**

**SATURDAY
25 JANUARY 2025
7.30PM**

Exciting plans for the future!

Our big PTA fundraiser this year!

Developing the Lowther School site further

I am delighted to announce that we have agreed a two year fundraising plan with the aim to

"REINVENT AND CONVERT OUR SPARE CLASSROOM SPACES INTO SPECIALIST LEARNING ROOMS"

As you know, across the school, we have spare classrooms as we currently have fewer children than previously. We've already (with your help) started this work

Phase 1 – was the conversion of a KS2 classroom into our awesome Library.

Phase 2 – was the conversion of the old Children's Centre spaces at the front of the school into a SEND learning room, a new family meeting room and a teacher's prep room.

These have all been highly successful new uses of space within the school.

We are blessed with even more opportunities to make the very most of all the wonderful space at Lowther. So we're ready to now launch Phase 3.

Phase 3 is to now look at creating further specialist spaces across the school. Over the next few years we expect there to be 4 rooms available for conversion to specialist teaching spaces. What an exciting opportunity. The PTA's fundraising drive this year and next will be to raise enough money to complete Phase 3 of our plans.

In 2025 we would like to convert the first two rooms available. These are one of the classrooms upstairs in LKS2 and our current music resource base. Our target for this is £15,000



PTA FUNDRAISING 2025

Focus = **"REINVENT AND CONVERT OUR SPARE CLASSROOM SPACES INTO SPECIALIST LEARNING ROOMS"**

Target = £15,000

Safeguarding: If you have any safeguarding concerns about a child, please contact the school's DSL and refer to the school's Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy (on the school website). Please ensure you phone the office so this is addressed quickly. Our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs) are Mr Ripley and Mrs Sandeman

General enquiries: Please speak to the class teacher in the first instance. If not, you can call the school office on 0208 748 3984 and we can then arrange for the relevant person to call you back. Our office email address is info@lowther.richmond.sch.uk.

Absences: Please email info@lowther.richmond.sch.uk or call our school office on 0208 748 3984 to report an absence.

Special Educational Needs: Please contact our SENDCO (Mrs Hammant) on the school number (0208 748 3984) or email c.hammant@lowther.richmond.sch.uk

Wraparound Enquiries: Our provider for after school care are JAGS. You can contact them via their website. The school runs Breakfast Club so please enquire with our office team if you'd like to book a place.

PTA enquiries: Please contact the PTA team on lowtherschoolpta@gmail.com

Headship Team: You are always welcome to talk to any one of us by phone or in person. You can also email us at headteacher@lowther.richmond.sch.uk