

NEWSLETTER

18th October 2019



Thames Valley Air Ambulance

We are delighted to report that we raised a grand total of £321.51 for the Thames Valley Air Ambulance during our non school uniform day on 12th the July 2019. Thank you.

Key Dates for Term 1, Week 8

Tuesday 22nd October 2019 – Pupil Nasal Flu Vaccinations

Wednesday 23rd October 2019 @ 2.45pm – 5D Class Assembly (doors will open at 2.30pm)

Thursday 24th October 2019 @ 3.00pm – Lowbrook PTA Diwali: Festival of Lights Celebration

Friday 25th October 2019 @ 6.30pm – Lowbrook PTA Halloween Disco

Friday 25th October 2019 – Term 1 Ends

Lowbrook PTA Diwali: Festival of Lights Celebration & 'Name the Shed' Competition

We are very pleased to announce that the New Lowbrook PTA Shed is now in place. We will be naming the shed between 3.00pm and 4.30pm on Thursday 24th October at our Diwali: Festival of Lights Celebration, where we will be selling hot drinks and various treats, like Samosas and Indian Sweets, as well as offering henna painting and showcasing some local hand-made gift items that will be available for purchase. We will also be opening our 2nd hand uniform shop at this event, ready for you to have a browse.

All upcoming PTA events and planning discussions currently take place on the 'Lowbrook Parents Association' Facebook page. If you are not already a member, please request to join so that you can also take part in the discussions and keep up to date with the latest PTA news and events.

Changes to Admissions at Holyport College

Holyport College is a school in the village of Holyport, near Maidenhead, for pupils aged 11 to 19. They currently have two main intakes for children, one at Year 7 and one at Year 9. Holyport College is now proposing to change this, and have asked us to write to our parents to let you know about the changes. The school admits both day pupils and boarding pupils, but the proposals only affect the day pupils. In summary, Holyport College proposes to:

- (a) increase the number of children they admit at Year 7 by 26 places, starting in September 2020.
- (b) stop offering new places at Year 9, starting in September 2022.

These proposals, therefore, will mean more Year 7 places available next year for children moving up from primary to secondary schools. You can find out more about the proposals on Holyport College's website at <https://www.holyportcollege.org.uk/admissions/admissions-consultation>,

LOWBROOK PTA PRESENTS

HALLOWEEN DISCO



£5 PER TICKET

Friday October 25th
6:30PM - 8:30PM

TRICK OR TREAT SNACKS GAMES & PRIZES

LICENSED ADULT JUICE BAR

KS1 & KS2 FANCY DRESS COMPETITION

AND MUCH MORE

TICKETS CAN BE BOUGHT ONLINE AT PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/LOWBROOKPTA
OR CONTACT REBECCA CROXFORD



Halloween 2018

A Police message for parents from PC Graham Slater Safeguarding Schools Officer

- Halloween will soon be upon us again on 31st October, which this year falls on the Thursday during half term break. In previous years, we have had a few problems in the local area with anti-social behaviour caused by a small number of teenagers who think this period is an excuse to behave in a disorderly way. Examples include vandalism, egg & flour throwing, underage drinking and illegal use of fireworks.

Parents, please speak with your children if they are planning to go out on Halloween night and evenings across the holiday week. Make sure you know where they will be going, who they will be with and what they plan to do !

- In the lead up to this period there has again been a combined effort between a number of local agencies including Police, Berks Fire & Rescue Service and Local Authority staff to try reduce any such problems across the half term week. There will also be increased Police and Community Warden patrols during this period to reassure residents and deter any antisocial acts. Those that do decide to behave in this way will be dealt with firmly.
- Please also consider the safety of your children. Trick or Treat is really an activity for younger children who should always be escorted by a responsible adult .Ideally, arrangements should be made in advance with householders that are happy to receive them. Teenagers should know that going around in large groups can be intimidating to many residents, road users and pedestrians. Elderly and vulnerable members of the community can find Halloween a particularly worrying time when they receive repeated calls at their door. Many residents do not want to receive Trick or Treaters at this time and their privacy and peace should be respected and not result in them becoming targets for abuse and vandalism.

For further Halloween advice please contact the Schools Officer or your local Neighbourhood Policing Team via the central police number : 101

Further details can be found on the Thames Valley Police website at :

<https://www.facebook.com/thamesvp/>