



Ladybrook Primary School Newsletter

Learning without Limits

July 2026

Welcome to our July Newsletter

As my first year as Headteacher at Ladybrook comes to a close, I want to express my deepest gratitude to our entire school community. Thank you so much for your incredible support, warmth and encouragement throughout this past year. I feel very lucky to be in this role.

I was so pleased to read the responses to our recent parent questionnaire, which were overwhelmingly supportive and positive. We loved your feedback on how we can improve further which we are considering carefully – watch this space. Thank you to everyone who took the time to share their views. Mrs Poole, Mrs Morrison and I have carefully reviewed all of your comments during our development plan meetings, and I look forward to sharing the full results with you after the summer holidays.

Thank You to Our Fantastic Children

To all of our brilliant children: thank you for your hard work, enthusiasm and kindness every single day. Whether in the classroom, on the playground, on school trips or representing Ladybrook in the wider community, you continue to make us proud. You bring energy, joy and curiosity to our school, and watching you learn, grow and achieve this year has been an absolute delight.

Our Exceptional Staff Team

I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our staff. We are fortunate to have an exceptionally dedicated, caring and passionate team—without them, Ladybrook simply would not be the lovely, nurturing school that it is. Beyond their tireless work in the classroom, on the field and playground, in the kitchen, maintaining the site, in the office, I am immensely proud of the way our staff team support one another, as well as the unwavering support they show to our children and families every single day. You will see some of our staff all of the time, others are more 'behind the scenes' but every single one of them is an important piece of Ladybrook's jigsaw.

Staff Farewells and Goodbyes

As the term comes to an end, we are saying goodbye to some valued members of our team:

- Mrs Draper: As shared earlier this term, we are saying a very special farewell to Mrs Draper as she retires after 15 wonderful years at Ladybrook. Thank you, Mrs Draper, for your dedication, kindness and huge contribution to our school over the years.
- Mrs Brickhill: We also say a fond goodbye to Mrs Brickhill after 21 years. We thank her for all her hard work and support during her time with us and wish her all the very best for the future.
- Mrs Chadwick: Huge congratulations to Mrs Chadwick, who has been with us through an agency over the past year. She has secured a permanent teaching position much closer to home. We thank her for all her hard work with a group of our children this year and wish her every success in her new role.

Well Done & Goodbye to Year 6!

A huge well done to our Year 6 pupils for their fabulous Leavers' Assembly! It was a wonderful celebration of their journey through primary school, filled with memories, laughter and just a few tears.

You have been fantastic role models for the rest of the school, showing great maturity, determination and spirit. As you prepare to move on to high school, we wish you every happiness and success in your next chapter. Always remember to aim high and keep learning without limits!

Thank you to our Year 6 parents. We will see some of you in September with younger siblings in school, but for some of you it is a farewell to Ladybrook. For many of you who are saying goodbye, your connection with Ladybrook has been lengthy and we thank you for working with us over the years to support your children.

Thank You to Our PTA & School Governors

School life is enriched so much by the dedicated volunteers working behind the scenes, and I would like to offer a special thank you to:

- **Our PTA:** Thank you to our PTA Trustees, committee members, class representatives, and everyone who has helped organise or support an event this year. Your hard work in planning discos, fairs, and community events has raised vital funds for our school and created fantastic memories for our children. Please also see our attached PTA newsletter.
- **Our Governors:** Thank you to our Governing Body, who give up their time voluntarily to support, challenge, and help guide the leadership of our school. Your expertise and dedication to Ladybrook are greatly appreciated. Personally, I have valued your expertise this year. Thank you.

Music Opportunities for Next Year (Year 3 Onwards)

Many of our children from Year 3 onwards learn a musical instrument. If your child is interested in learning an instrument, please see contact details below. Learning an instrument is a fantastic way to develop confidence, focus and creativity.

If your child is interested in starting music lessons, please contact the following for more information:

- Simon Stonehouse: SStonehouse@bramhallhigh.stockport.sch.uk
- Debbie Coe: debbiecoe@outlook.com
- Mark Johnson: mark.mjpiano@gmail.com
- Jim Wilson: jimwilsonmusic@outlook.com

(There is a separate letter attached about brass lessons)

Next year

Just a polite reminder when buying uniform and footwear for September, our uniform policy is as follows.

Uniform	
Purple sweat shirt / cardigan / indoor fleece with logo(compulsory item)	
White or Purple Polo shirt – not T shirt (logo optional)	
Plain grey skirt, plain grey trousers, plain grey school shorts or purple gingham dress	
Plain white or grey socks	
Waterproof fleece / coat with emblem – optional	
Black shoes or plain black trainers (no other colours or lights)	
Purple base ball cap with or without logo / own sunhat for summer wear	
Purple book bag with logo (compulsory item)	
PE Kit – all PE kits in draw string bags	
Reception: Black PE shorts and white T shirt (logo optional)	
Years 1 - 6	Indoor kit: Black PE shorts and white T shirt (logo optional)
	Outdoor kit: Plain black jogging bottoms, plain black hoodie or tracksuit top, trainers

NB Sweat shirt or cardigan or fleece – children do not need all three!

Our full policy can be found [HERE](#)

Wishing You a Wonderful Summer Break

On behalf of all the staff at Ladybrook Primary School, I wish all our families a safe, relaxing and enjoyable summer break. We look forward to welcoming returning pupils and our new families back to school for the new academic year on **Thursday 3rd September**.

Warm regards,
Caroline Woosnam

Further dates for your diaries

Date	Event	For whom?
September 1 st / 2 nd	INSET Days	Staff in school / children at home!
September 3 rd	School opens to families	Year 1 - 6 Rec / Nursery please see you induction dates
September 9 th	Year Group Meeting 5:30 pm	Year 6
September 10 th	Year Group Meeting 5:30 pm	Year 3 / 4 / 5
September 15 th	Year Group Meeting 5:30 pm	Years 1/ 2
September 16 th	Year Group Meeting 5:30 pm	Nursery / Reception

