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Dear parents and carers,

Spring 2 Week 4 Parent Letter

Parents' Focus Group

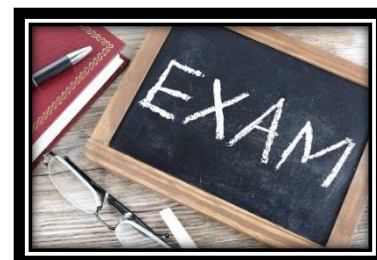


We held our very first **Parents' Focus Group** meeting on Wednesday evening. The purpose of the group is to use parents' views to support the strategic development of the school. At this week's meeting we were keen to seek views and gain a wider understanding of how we can help you as parents and carers to engage with and really help and support your child's learning. It was a really lively discussion and helped us to shape and develop ideas. Undoubtedly, this will further strengthen our working relationship with parents and will have a positive impact on the academic success of our Lowton pupils.

We will be running another Parents' Focus Group after the Easter break. If you are interested in sharing your voice to help us to grow and develop Lowton further, please contact Mrs Roberts at school on robertsk@lowtonhs.wigan.sch.uk

Y11 Spring Mock Exams

Congratulations to our Year 11 and 10 pupils who have sat their Spring mock exams this week. They have worked hard in class, and at revision/extra study sessions, and their conduct in the examinations was exemplary. I hope that their hard work will translate into strong exam grades and will provide them with a big positive push as they head into the final few weeks of preparation for the summer exam season.



Y11 Prom News

If you have a child in Year 11, they have been given a letter about their Prom invitation today in Form Time. They will either have an *invite* to Prom or a *target letter* which will ask them to focus their attention on showing improvement in one or more areas. If you have any questions about the letter please contact Mrs Black, Head of Year 11, at school.

Sporting Success



I am delighted to tell you that our Year 7 and Year 9 rugby teams both progressed in the Wigan Schools' Cup this week. Our Year 7 team beat Hawkley Hall High School 18-0 on Thursday and our Year 9 team won a nail-biting golden point game against Standish High School 21-20 on Wednesday. Thank you to the staff and parents who have supported the teams so brilliantly. Congratulations to all of



the boys who played and who represented school so well. We're so proud of them and cannot wait to find out which schools we will meet in the Semi-Finals for both teams!

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Mrs Jane Galbraith
Headteacher

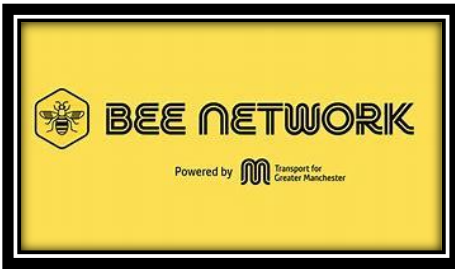
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Changes to Child Bus Tickets on Bee Network



This week, TfGM (Transport for Greater Manchester) have made us aware of some changes to child tickets on the Bee Network bus services. This will affect some Lowton pupils who travel to school on Bee Network bus services. The details of the changes are outlined below for your information. In addition, there is a link to a further information Bee Network website as well as a Contact Centre, which is available online or by phone.

Thank you, as always, for your continuing support of our school.

Yours faithfully

Jane Galbraith

Headteacher

Changes to Child Bus Tickets on Bee Network

Important changes to Bee Network child tickets

From 23 March [tap and go contactless payments](#) are being introduced across Bee Network buses and trams for full fare paying adults only.

Child tickets are not available using tap and go. Children can continue to use their current method of payment for travelling to school or leisure (e.g. cash, contactless).

At the same time, we're making it even easier to pay for child tickets on the [Bee Network app](#).

Single child hopper tickets will be available on the app, alongside a range of other child tickets. It's the safe, cash-free way to pay for travel.

Here's our top tips for paying for child fares from 23 March:

- Download the [Bee Network app](#) to pay for a range of child tickets.
- When paying with contactless always ask the bus driver for a child ticket before tapping your card (to avoid getting charged adult fare).
- Keep your TfGM travel pass (igo card, Our Pass) separate from bank cards when you tap the card reader, to avoid your bank card being charged an adult fare.

As always, your one-stop-shop for travelling to school information is available at www.beenetwork.com/schools

If you have any further questions or want to speak to someone, please get in touch with the [Bee Network Contact Centre online](#) or call: 0161 244 1000.