

LETHBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

LUNCHTIME POLICY

Mid-day Supervisory Assistants (MDSA's) are very important members of staff. This school is fortunate to have a good team ably supervised by two Senior Supervisors. MDSA's have regular staff meetings where issues can be aired and further training given.

The way children behave and play at lunchtime has a direct bearing on their behaviour during the rest of the day. We are intent on promoting quality play for the children during lunchtime. A variety of activities are provided through our Lunchtime Harmony Project. MDSA's will also teach games and play games with the children and are supported by our Junior Play Leaders from year 6. MDSA's will also be involved in the rewards and sanctions contained in the school behaviour policy.

'Rules for a Happy Playtime' are encompassed in our school rules (see Behaviour Policy). Each MDSA has a whistle to use in case of an emergency in order to attract attention. MDSA's should seek advice relating to behaviour issues from the Senior MDSA's. We advocate the use of restorative justice in order to resolve issues between children. Senior MDSA's are responsible for writing any names in the log and reporting this to the class teacher/headteacher.

Lunchtime Routine.

All cooked dinner children eat their dinner in the old hall.

At 12.00 key stage 1 children are taken, by an MDSA to the old hall, one class at a time, where they line up to collect their dinner from the serving hatch. At 12.15 key stage 2 children go straight out to play until they are called inside to line up for their dinner, one year group at a time.

MDSA's and year 6 children supervise these children.

When a child has finished eating their dinner they clear away and go straight out to play.

All packed lunch children eat their packed lunch in the new hall.

At 12.00 all KS1 packed lunch children go straight to the new hall to eat their packed lunches.

At 12.15 key stage 2 children go straight out to play until they are called inside to line up for their dinner, one year group at a time. MDSA's and year 6 children supervise these children.

Wet lunchtime routine.

If wet, **key stage 1 cooked dinner children** are taken to the old hall as above. After eating their dinner they are taken back to their classroom where they will be supervised by an MDSA.

If wet, **key stage 2 cooked dinner children** stay in their classroom until collected by an MDSA and taken to the old hall to line up for their dinner. After eating their dinner they are returned to their classroom, where they will be supervised by an MDSA.

If wet, **sandwich children** eat their packed lunch in the new hall as above. When they have finished eating they return to their classroom where they are supervised by an MDSA.

Playground Routine

- All children use outside toilets

- First Aid post is by New Hall only
- At the end of dinner time a bell rings.

Key stage 1 children stop and listen and when instructed line up as they do at playtime. Teachers collect children from KS1 playground and take back to classroom.

Key stage 2 children line up as they do at playtime. Teachers collect children from KS2 playground and take back to classroom.

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