Leamington Hastings C of E Academy

Plant, Grow, Flourish

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Good afternoon,

We have had a great week at school, the sun has been shining and the children have loved being outside for playtimes and also lots of learning opportunities.

Tuesday saw Early Years making pancakes for shrove Tuesday. There was lots of mixing and stirring and enjoying their delicious creations.

Thank you to everyone who took part in our tell a story in a box or jar competition, I'm sure that you'll agree, all of the entries were fabulous and we appreciate you taking the time to complete these with your children. Prizes have been awarded and all children have taken their wonderful creations home. We have taken lots if pictures to create a wonderful display in our corridor.







Yesterday was World Book Day, everyone looked incredible and once again, we thank you for supporting us on this day. During this day, the children paraded their costumes, talked about their favourite books and completed lots of reading activities based around books and stories.



We just wanted to give you an update on Mrs Marson. Unfortunately, she had to have some emergency surgery on her leg on Wednesday, linked to her accident that she had at school before half term. She is recovering well, but will be absent from school from the next two weeks. If you have sent her a Dojo or email since Wednesday morning it will not have been read, so please forward it on to annie.scofield@leamingtonhastings.covmat.org

Have a lovely weekend, Miss Scofield and the LHA Team.

FRIENDSHIP COURAGE FORGIVENESS GENEROSITY THANKFULNESS TRUTHFULNESS

PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS THIS WEEK

LEARNING BEHAVIOUR OF THE WEEK

Eagle Owls: Lucas, Ava

Snowy Owls: Barney, Matthew

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

Eagle Owls: Zara

Snowy Owls: Ashlyng, Arthur

LUNCH TABLE OF THE WEEK
Blue Table

5 READS RAFFLE TICKET:

Eagle Owls: Will, Ava

Snowy Owls: Theo

CAUGHT SHOWING VALUES

Courage: Georgia, Will

Forgiveness: Max, Lucas

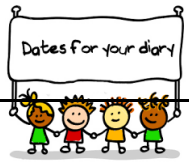
Generosity: Georgia, Aeryn, Freddie

Friendship: Alasdair

Thankfulness: Ava, Leela, Theo x 2, Gregory

Truthfulness: James U, Ray

ACHIEVEMENTS FROM HOME:



Any new dates will be added in red

Tuesday 11th March	**Science week** As part of science week in school, one parent per child is invited to come into school from 1:30pm to join in with some science experiments with their child.
Tuesday 11th March	**Class Photographs** Class group photographs to take place on this date.
Friday 14th March	**Passport to world views afternoon** The children will be learning about the festival of Holi. This will include a colour celebration where children will walk through coloured powder. Please send your children into school in old clothes on this day.
Monday 17th March	**CBSO Centre trip** Children from reception to year 2 will be visiting the CBSO centre to listen to a selection of musicians from the Birmingham Symphony Orchestra.
Wednesday 19th March	**Oxford History Museum trip** Children in Key Stage One will be visiting the Oxford History Museum as part of their class topic. Please arrive at school early as the coach will be leaving school promptly at 8.45am.
Thursday 20th March	**Global recycling day** Children will be making bird feeders within school as part of this day. We would be grateful for any donations of bird seed, yoghurt pots, cardboard tubes or plastic bottles in the lead up to this day. Please send them into your child's class teacher.
Friday 21st March	**Red Nose day** Children are invited to come into school wearing non—uniform, including something red if they have it, for a voluntary donation. Children are also invited to bring their favourite joke into school to share with their class.
Wednesday 26th March	**Mother's Day service** Mums, or a female representative, are invited to attend a Mother's Day service within school. Please arrive in school for a 2:30pm start.
Saturday 5th April	**Family games afternoon** Save the date! The Friends are running a family games afternoon, including games such as Easter bingo and a beetle drive from 2pm. Further information to follow.
Tuesday 8th April	**Easter Church service** Parents and wider family members are invited to join us for our Easter church service at All Saints Church. The service will start at approximately 1:45pm.
Thursday 10th April	**Easter fun afternoon** If your child is in nursery or reception, you are invited to come into school to join them in an Easter fun afternoon from 2pm.
Thursday 10th April	**Easter competitions** Children are invited to enter the following competitions, for a £1 entrance fee. This will be used to purchase resources to be used by the children. Easter bonnet competition—children are invited to make an Easter bonnet and bring it into school to share with the rest of the school as part of the morning assembly. Easter egg competition—children are invited to decorate a boiled egg and bring it into school to share with the rest of the school as part of the morning assembly.
Saturday 28th June	**Save the date—Rose Queen Day** All children will be invited to come into school to take part in maypole dancing and a traditional summer fair. More details to follow.

Spotlight on .....

RE and Worldviews

We teach RE at Leamington Hastings through a worldviews approach. This means we encourage the children to learn about different faiths and non-religious views through the perspective of another person. We can then reflect on what we have discovered and examine our own thoughts, feelings and experiences about what we have learnt.

We start each enquiry with a big question. Our big questions this half term are; 'Who are the people in sacred stories and why might they still be important today?' (EYFS) and 'Who made the world?' (KS1). Throughout the year we use a mix of Understanding Christianity and the local agreed syllabus. Our RE curriculum is devised over a two-year rolling program, with key concepts and vocabulary being revisited to deepen understanding.

In Early Years, children are introduced to the worldviews of Imran, Grace and Samit, amongst others! We use these persona dolls to represent children that identify as belonging to either a Muslim, Christian or Hindu world view. In KS1 children learn to reflect through the lenses of these faiths.

Here they are!







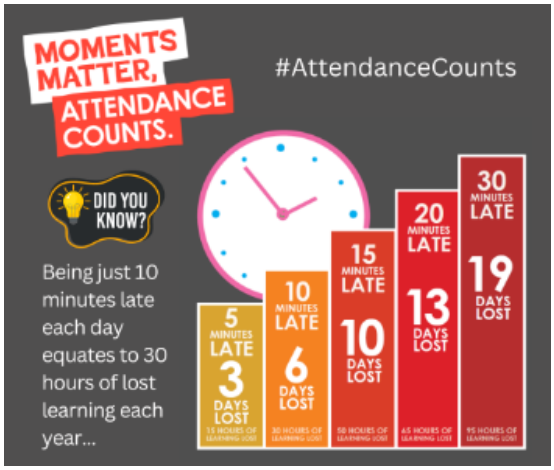
In KS1 children also learn about different disciplinary methods of enquiry, learning to become theologians (looking at sacred text and art), human and social scientists (looking at what people do) and philosophers (asking big questions and doing deep thinking). These icons help us to identify which disciplinary skill we need:







We also explore a range of world views through our RE enrichment days. These are based on either a particular religious festival or focus on comparing similarities and differences between faiths. Children have the opportunity to take part in some of the customs or traditions commonly experienced by people around the world and in modern Britain. Hands on experiences help to deepen the links between what children remember and understand. This understanding is developed further by visitors and trips to places of worship.



Attendance Weekly Summary

Whole school: 94.26% (Target 97%)

Reception	Year 1	Year 2
92%	80%	84%

PE Days

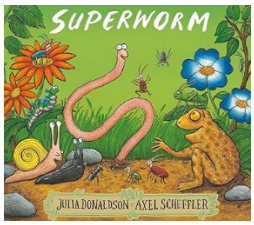


Children should wear their P.E. kits to school on the following days:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Early Years KS1	-	-	-	Early Years KS1

After School Clubs: Spring term 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Arts & Crafts	Gardening	Cookery Construction Club	Basketball	Street Dance



BOOK OF THE WEEK

Title: Superworm

Author: Julia Donaldson & Axel Scheffler

Recommended by: Will

Will recommended a book with rhyming text this week. Where the main character is a brave and super strong superworm. Will enjoyed the story containing chanting garden creatures. However, he did not like the lizard wizard character.



ONLINE SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK



Childnet

This week's top tip for parents to keep children safe online.

Please find the link to a story relating to online safety.

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

On Monday we were joined by Karen who spoke to the children about the story of Moses and the 10 commandments.

We have also learnt about Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday. We discussed Christian beliefs around these days and why some people choose to give up something they enjoy for 40 days and 40 nights. The children thought about what they might give up for Lent.

On Thursday, we read the book 'The Incredible Book Eating Boy'. We all agreed that we would much rather read a book than eat it.

TERM DATES 2024/2025

Spring Term 2025

Half Term: Monday 17th Feb to Friday 21st Feb

Teacher Training Day Monday 24th February

Term Starts Tuesday 25th Feb

Term Ends Thursday 10th April

Teacher Training Day Friday 11th April

Summer Term 2025

Term Starts Monday 28th April

Spring Bank Holiday: 5th May

Bank Holiday: 26th May

Half Term: Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May

End of Term Friday 18th July

Disaggregated Teacher Training Day Monday 21st July

For Warwickshire school term dates please click here.

CHRISTIAN VALUE



LEARNING BEHAVIOUR

Recap Rabbit



* I can read through my work with an adult and correct a mistake.

** I can read through my work independently to make corrections.

*** I can make additions to my work to make improvements.

Mental Health in Schools Team

Tips For Wellness

Nutrition

Nutrition refers to the nutrients in food and how our body uses them to stay strong and healthy. There are lots of positive benefits for our **physical health**, nutrition is also really important for our **mental health!**

Our brain works hard taking care of our thoughts, movements, breathing, heartbeat and senses (even when we are sleeping!), so we must fuel our brain with nutritious foods to help us function. This can help us to think clearly, increase our energy levels and support concentration. What we eat also affects our mood too!

Our tips:

1. Get involved in the cooking– Can you help your parent/carer to prepare dinner? This can be a fun way to spend time with others and learn a new skill.

2. Make it fun- There are lots of different ways different foods can be prepared. You could try experimenting putting different food together to see what you like and don't like.

3. Try something new- When was the last time you tried a new food? It can be exciting to find out what food we like and don't like. Also, our tastes can change as we grow and develop. See if you can set yourself a challenge to try a new food this week.

4. Keep Hydrated- Dehydration could lead to headaches, difficulty focusing and may impact sleep. Try to ensure you are regularly drinking water, it can be useful to bring a bottle of water to school every day to remind you to stay hydrated!

In Coventry and Warwickshire, for any urgent mental health concerns, contact the RISE Crisis Helpline available 24/7, by calling NHS 111. Alternatively, call 999 or visit A&E in an emergency, for example if medical attention is required.

MHST are available to support you and your school throughout the school year including term time and school holidays.

Please contact your school's Mental Health Lead for information and advice.

UK Health Security Agency

Stop norovirus spreading

Norovirus, also known as the 'winter vomiting bug', is the most common stomach bug in the UK. It can spread easily through close contact, or by contaminated surfaces, food or water.

The main symptoms of norovirus include a sudden onset of nausea, followed by projectile vomiting and diarrhoea, usually 1 to 2 days after becoming infected. Other common symptoms include a high fever, a headache and aching arms and legs.

Good hand hygiene is important to stop norovirus spreading.

To stop norovirus spreading, you should:

- wash your hands thoroughly using soap and warm water after using the toilet or contact with a sick individual and before preparing and eating food.
- stay off school or work until you have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least two days
- not rely on alcohol gels instead of washing your hands, as these do not kill the virus
- wash any contaminated clothing or bedding using detergent at 60°C using disposable gloves to handle any items
- use bleach-based cleaners to disinfect surfaces

If you catch it, stay home for 48 hours after your symptoms clear

DO

Wash clothes and bedding at 60°C



Wash hands with soap, clean surfaces with bleach-based disinfectants



DON'T

Go to work or school, visit care homes or hospitals



Prepare food for others



Most people will make a full recovery in 2-3 days without needing any medicine. It is important to keep hydrated – especially children and the elderly.

Try not to visit A&E or GP surgeries if you have symptoms of norovirus unless advised to do so by a healthcare professional, as this may spread the bug to others. Call ahead to a GP or ring NHS 111 if you are worried about your symptoms.

Further information is available at NHS 111 or NHS.uk (https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/norovirus/)

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CHANGE IS POSSIBLE.!

Rugby Foodbank gave out 7089 parcels last year.
37% went to children!

Between April & August 2024
BRANCAB dealt with 225 cases relating to council tax debt.
44% of these cases were for single parents.
66% were female.
46% had long term health conditions.

Rugby Foodbank
Together with Trussell

Rugby Foodbank are working to support families and would like to hear stories from local parents who have experienced council tax debt which has contributed to needing help from a Foodbank.

We need your voice to help create change!

Come and chat to us at
Shine A Light cafe
Wednesday 12th March
10.30 - 12.00

Email: cstephens@hope4.org.uk

Hope4

Children & Family Centre

Rugby Borough Children and Family Centres (CFC) Spring Term Timetable 26th February -12th April 2025

Barnardo's — Changing childhoods. Changing lives.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Walk-in Wardrobe Pre-loved clothes for 0-5's 9.30am to 11.30am **Toy Library** 9.30am to 11.30am **Claremont CFC**	**Toddler Time** ***Booking essential**** Aimed at 0-5 years 10.00am to 11.30am **Boughton Leigh CFC**	**Little Stars** For 0-5yr olds with SEND 10.00am to 11.00am **Claremont CFC**	**Toddler Time** ***Booking essential**** Aimed at 0-5 years 10.00am to 11.30am **Claremont CFC**	**Walk-in Wardrobe** Pre-loved clothes for 0-5's 9.30-11.30am **Claremont CFC**
Baby Time ***Booking essential**** Non-walkers from birth 10.00am to 11.00am **Claremont CFC**	**Baby Time** Non-walkers from birth 10.00am to 11.00am **The Barn @ Houlton** (CV23 1AL)	**Baby Chatter Matters** **Referral Only -** **please see a member of staff** 10-11am **Wolston Village Hall**	**Baby Massage** **Limited Availability** **please see a member of staff** 10.00-11.00am **Claremont CFC**	**Toddler Time** Aimed at 0-5 years 10.00am-11.00am **Rogers Hall, Hillmorton** (CV21 4EN)
Toddler Time ***Booking essential**** Aimed at 0-5 years 10.00am to 11.30am **Long Lawford CFC**	**Toddler Chatter Matters** **Referral Only -** **please see a member of staff** 10.30-11.30am **Overslade Community Centre**	**Walk-in Wardrobe** Pre-loved clothes for 0-5's 12-2pm **Claremont CFC**		**Baby Time** Non-walkers from birth 1.30pm-2.30pm **Long Lawford CFC**
Toddler Time Aimed at 0-5 years 2.00pm to 3.00pm **Cawston Community Hall** (CV22 7GU)	**Story Explorers** Starting 11th March (4 weeks) ***Contact centre if interested*** Course for parents and children 1-2pm **Claremont CFC**	**Number Explorers** Starting 6th March (4 weeks) ***Contact centre if interested*** Course for parents and children 1-2pm **Boughton Leigh CFC**	**Central Baby Time** Non-walkers from birth 1.30pm to 2.30pm **Hill Street Youth & Community Centre** (CV21 2NB)	Rugby Children and Family Centres are a source of information on a wide range of issues for families with children, young people 0-19 or up to 25 with SEND. Please ask a member of staff for further information or signposting.
Saturday	**Toddler Chatter Matters** **Referral Only -** **please see a member of staff** 1.45-2.45pm **Long Lawford CFC**	**Baby Time** Non-walkers from Birth 2.00p to 3.00pm **Cawston Community Hall** (CV22 7GU)	**Baby Signing** **Limited Availability** **please see a member of staff** 1.30-2.30pm **Claremont CFC**	
SaturDads Stay & Play session for dads, grandads and male carers. 2nd Saturday of the month. **Monthly dates:** 8th March 12th April 10.00am to 11.30am **Claremont CFC**	**Baby Time** Non-walkers from birth 1.30-2.30pm **Boughton Leigh CFC**			

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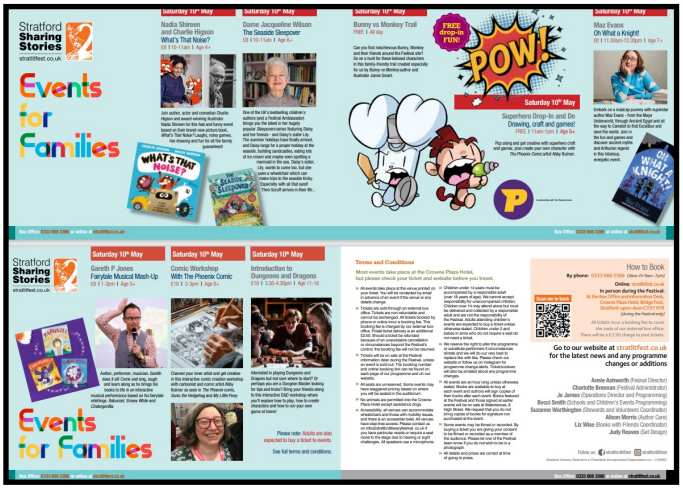
Events for Families



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Click on Family Information Service for a wide range of information to support families.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/284583758355805/

Please find the link to the Friends of Leamington Hastings parents group. Please contact Mel Bailey if you have any questions.

Leamington Hastings Academy Parents Group