



Leamington Hastings C of E Academy

Plant, Grow, Flourish!

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There have been lots of exciting trips and visits taking place this week! On Wednesday, the Key Stage One children enjoyed a trip to Coventry Cathedral, putting their learning from R.E. lessons into practise. The children represented the school brilliantly, and due to Mrs Wooldridge's connections with the Cathedral got to visit areas such as the crypt which school children don't usually get to visit! On Thursday, we welcomed Rock Steady into school. We are hoping to work with Rock Steady from next academic year, providing extra-curricular music lessons for those families who would like their children to experience these. Please see the information on Dojo for more information.



Our Parent and Carer Survey is now open, and we would greatly value your feedback. Your views and experiences are incredibly important to us and help shape our ongoing cycle of school improvement. As we begin planning for the next academic year, your responses will play a key role in identifying our strengths and informing our priorities for development. Thank you in advance for taking the time to share your thoughts and support our school community. The survey can be found here: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/Znv7vrXp5v> and will remain open until the end of the day on Monday 22nd June.



A huge well done to all of our year one children and some of year two who have taken the national phonics check this week. Well done everyone, we are very proud of you! The children's results will be in their end of year reports.



Thank you for your ongoing support, have a lovely weekend.

Suzanne Marson
Headteacher



Pupil achievements this week

Learner of the week

Eagle Owls (EYFS):	Autumn	Snowy Owls (KS1):	Zara
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Learning behaviour of the week (based on the half termly learning behaviour focus)

Eagle Owls (EYFS):	Oscar, Sam H	Snowy Owls (KS1):	Jacob
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Five reads raffle tickets

Eagle Owls (EYFS):	Sophia L, Sophia O, Isaac, James, Isla, Lara, Lucas, Millie, Ella, Charlie, Arnie	Snowy Owls (KS1):	Zara, Ava, Will, Benjamin
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Caught showing values slips

Courage:	Edith, Georgia, Jacob x 2, Emily, Corrin, Leo, Jack, Freddie, Isla (Rec), Lara, Millie, Lucas	Generosity:	Jude, Ava, Isla, Benjamin Y2, Isaac, Archie, Autumn	Truthfulness:	Logan, Zara, Will, Sophia O, James, Max
Friendship:	Sam H, Arnie, Ella, Logan, Finlay, Matteo, Ava, Sophia L, Benjamin, James	Forgiveness:		Thankfulness:	Joe, Charlie, Oscar

Home Achievement

This week the achievements include crafts and cooking at the Kenilworth show.



Diary Dates

Any new dates will be added in red

8 th – 19 th June	Year 2 Assessments Year two assessments will be taking place over the course of these two weeks.
15 th – 21 st June	Sports week All children will take part in a daily mile this week. (Usual arrangements for school uniform / PE kit days please)
Tuesday 16 th June	Sports afternoon (all year groups) Parents are invited to join us for a sports afternoon from 2pm to see the children take part in a carousel of sports activities, followed by some sports day activities. If you would like to sit down, please bring a blanket or chair. When taking part in sport's day activities, parents will be on the playground facing the grass, with the children on the grassy area. All children to come to school in PE kits on this day please. Refreshments will be available from Friends – cash only please.
Thursday 18 th June	Father's Day service We would like to invite Dad's, or a male representative, to come into school to join in with a Father's Day service. Only one representative per family please. Please arrive for a 2:30pm start via the School Office entrance. Refreshments will be available from Friends – cash only please.
Thursday 18 th June	Information evening for new reception parents If your child is due to start reception in September 2026, you are invited to join us for an information session from 5pm to see the classroom and find out about starting school.
Friday 19 th June	Father's Day gift bags Friends will be selling Father's Day gift bags. Please refer to the leaflet for further details.
Saturday 20 th June	Willougby Church Festival The children have been invited to dance around the maypole as part of the festival. Please come to St Nicholas' Church for 2pm ready to start the dances at 2:15pm. Please can any children attending wear school uniform for the dancing.
Monday 22 nd June	World Music Day Children are invited to come into school dressed as their favourite rock star or musician as part of developing a love of music.
Tuesday 23 rd June	Reserve sports afternoon A reserve slot in case we have to postpone sports afternoon on the 16 th due to the weather
Tuesday 23 rd June	Transition visit, new to reception children A transition visit from 4pm – 5:30pm for children and parents who are new to our school and will be joining reception in September 2026.

Friday 26 th June	Non uniform day Children are invited to come to school in non-uniform in exchange for bottles, chocolates or sweets to be used in the tombola during Rose Queen Day.
Thursday 2 nd July	Year 2 to spend the day at the Juniors (those moving to Juniors in September 2026) Children will be taken to spend a day at the Juniors as part of transition. This will include a teddy bear's picnic and a sports afternoon - school will provide a picnic lunch. Children are invited to bring a named teddy bear into school with them. All children to wear PE kits on this day please. Please can the children arrive at 8:30am. The children will travel to the Junior School on the blue school bus, accompanied by a school adult. The bus will then collect the children from the Junior School towards the end of the day and bring them back to Leamington Hastings.
Sunday 5 th July	Rose Queen Day Our traditional summer fair will take place on this date, with the children opening the fair with maypole dancing. We would like to invite all children and families to attend. Please can the children wear their school uniform and arrive at school at 11:15am. The children will come into school with school adults to get ready and begin dancing at 11:30am. The fair will then start following the dancing. Any donations of cakes to be sold on the cake stall on the day would be welcome. The raffle will be drawn at 12:30pm. Please do not park in the Village Hall or on the road on this day. The field opposite the school will be opened up for parents to park on and will be clearly signposted.
Monday 6 th July	EYFS Sea Life Centre Trip EYFS pupils will be visiting the Sea Life Centre for the day. Please see the letter sent home for full details. Please arrange to make payment via MCAS app by 26th June this will act as consent for your child to attend the trip.
Wednesday 8 th July	Country Transfer Day Children will be spending time in their new classes. If your child is in year 2, they should spend the day at their new school (for children moving to Dunchurch Juniors, please take them directly to the Juniors on this day). If your child is due to start reception in September 2026, they are invited to join us for the morning and lunchtime session (see the letter sent home). All other children should attend school as normal.
Friday 10 th July	National Teddy Bear's Picnic raising money for Birmingham Children's Hospital Children are invited to bring a named teddy bear into school for a picnic lunch, along with a donation towards Birmingham Children's Hospital. We have families in school who have been supported by Birmingham Children's Hospital and would like to raise as much money as we can for this worthy cause.
Friday 10 th July	Break the rules day A fundraiser from Friends, inviting children to 'break' set rules for a 50p 'fine' for each rule. See further information to be sent home by Friends. Rules will include items such as wear your own clothes, have silly hair, bring your own named snack for playtime (no nuts please) and wear face paint to school.

Monday 13 th July	Reports home to parents An end of year report for each child will be emailed home by the end of the day today.
Tuesday 14 th July	End of year performance 1 Parents are invited to come into school to see the children take part in a leaver's performance in the school hall at 2:15pm. Two tickets will be available per child across the two performances (the tickets will be sent home from the school office nearer the time). Please enter and leave via the School Office.
Tuesday 14 th July	Open evening Parents are invited to come into school with their children to view their children's work and to visit classrooms from 3:30pm—5pm. Class teachers will be available to speak to about reports if you would like to.
Wednesday 15 th July	End of year performance 2 Parents are invited to come into school to see the children take part in a leaver's performance in the school hall at 9:15am. Two tickets will be available per child across the two performances (the tickets will be sent home from the school office nearer the time). Please enter and leave via the School Office.
Wednesday 15 th July	Year 3 classrooms open at Dunchurch Juniors If your child is moving into year 3 at Dunchurch Juniors in September, the classrooms will be open from 3:30pm – 4:30pm for you to view if you would like to.
Thursday 16 th July	End of year church service All parents are welcome to join us in All Saints Church for an end of year church service to start at approximately 1:45pm. We will be walking to church through the fields, please send your children to school with appropriate footwear on this day. We would be grateful for any parent volunteers to help us to walk the children to and from church - please let the school office know if you are able to help.

LEAMINGTON HASTINGS SCHOOL
Rose Queen Day

The PTA are behind the scenes starting to plan and organise the Rose Queen Festival on 5th July... If anyone has any raffle prizes they can donate that would be very much appreciated.

We've also had some parents who previously have had access to match-funding through their work. We are a registered charity so if this is available to you then please get in touch

Feel free to message the pta, chat in the playground or just email the school office.

LEAMINGTON HASTINGS
NON-UNIFORM DAY
FRIDAY 26TH JUNE 2026

IN EXCHANGE FOR ROSE QUEEN PRIZES
SWEETS, CHOCOLATES, BOTTLES ETC

KEEP AN LOOK OUT FOR MORE ROSE QUEEN DETAILS FOLLOWING SOON!

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The real cost of a packed lunch vs. a school meal

Item	Price
SCHOOL MEAL FUNDED BY THE GOVERNMENT	£2.53 PER MEAL
ALDI	£1.60
TESCO	£2.30
Sainsbury's	£2.80

Don't miss out on up to £480 in funding available for your child every year.

Why school meals are great for your child

Good for families, good for everyone

Questions? Speak to your school office or visit caterlink.co.uk for more information.

Current Lunch Menu

Planet Friendly	
MONDAY	TUESDAY
WEEK ONE	
Option One	Chef's Special Creamy Chickpea Curry with Rice (VE)
Option Two	Mild Mexican Chili with Rice (VE)
Sides	Phat Pasty Pork Sausage Roll with Pot Wedges
Dessert	Vegetables of the Day
	Orange Drizzle Cake
WEEK TWO	
Option One	Lentil & Sweet Potato Curry with Rice (VE)
Option Two	Spaghetti & Planet Friendly Tomato Saucy Meatballs (VE)
	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Summer Mixed Salad
	Beef Chili with Rice Sweetcorn & Cucumber Salsa

ST NICHOLAS WILLOUGHBY CHURCH FETE
 incorporating
FAMILY DOG SHOW
 with Judge Tom Waterworth, from Bilton Veterinary Centre

Maypole Dancing, Strawberry teas, Raffle, Dog-themed face painting and lots of fun fete games. **Cash only on the day please**

SATURDAY JUNE 20TH 2PM

Fun dog show with 8 Classes to enter
 HANSONEST DOG * PRETTIEST BITCH * BEST BOW TIE OR HAT * SCRUFFIEST MUTT * WAGGIEST TAIL * BEST SIX LEGS (OWNERS INCLUDED) * QUICKEST SIT * ENTRY THE JUDGE WOULD MOST LIKE TO TAKE HOME * ACCUMULATOR FOR BEST IN SHOW

Entries £2 per class on the day in cash please

www.draycoteandleamvalleybenefice.com

LEAMINGTON HASTINGS SCHOOL
Rose Queen Day
SUMMER FAYRE
5TH JULY 2026
DANCING STARTS AT 11:30
More details to follow!

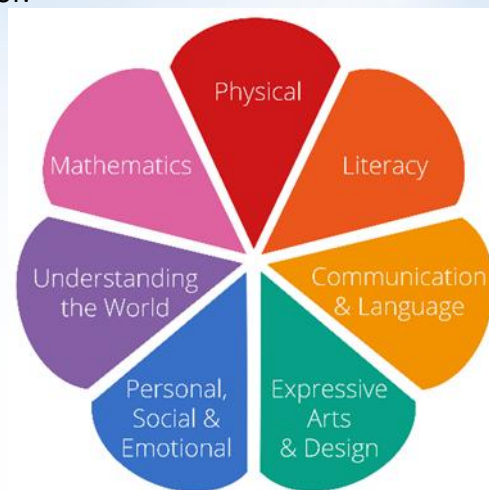
Spotlight on

Reception end of year assessments—Early Years Good Level of Development (GLoD)

A Good Level of Development refers to a summative assessment judgement which is made for each early years child towards the end of their reception year.

Children's attainment and progress is assessed using their learning outcomes in relation to Early Learning Goals (ELGs) encompassing the curriculum areas of:

- Communication and Language
- Physical Development
- Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED)
- Literacy
- Maths
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design



The Early Learning Goals are interconnected, and children can display their knowledge and skills across a range of areas of learning when engaging in a task or an activity.

A Good Level of Development is defined as reaching the expected level in the prime areas of learning (see below), along with the specific areas of mathematics and literacy.

Some children may have an outcome of 'emerging' for some, or all, of the Early Learning Goals. This may be because they are developing a little later than their peers, have missed considerable class time that has impacted their learning or have a special educational need or disability (SEND). This does not mean that a child has 'failed' their reception year but provides useful information that can inform the needs of the child as they move into Key Stage One. This promotes a smooth transition and informs the teacher of any extra support that may be required, so every child is nurtured and catered for.

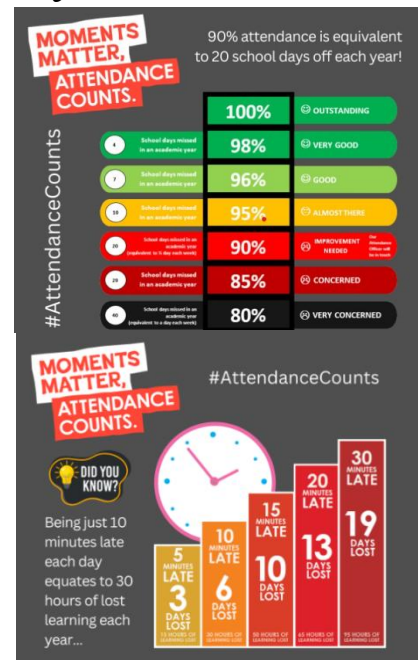
Your child's end of year report will inform you if they have met their Early Learning Goals and have achieved a Good Level of Development. If you have any questions about this, please speak to your child's class teacher.

The Prime areas of learning		
Communication and Language	Physical Development	Personal, Social and Emotional Development
Specific areas of learning		
Literacy	Mathematics	Understanding the world
		Expressive arts and design

Attendance Weekly Summary

Whole School: 97.17% (Target 97%)

		
Reception	Year 1	Year 2
96%	100%	93%



PE Days

Children should wear their P.E. kits to school on the following days. On other days, normal school uniform should be worn.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reception KS1				Reception KS1

After-School Clubs

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Arts & Crafts	Gardening Club	Multi Sport	Football	Active Games

To book a place in an after-school club, please book via the MCAS app.

Term Dates

Academic Year 2025/2026

Summer term 2026

Training Day: Monday 1st June

End of term: Friday 17th July

Training Day (Disaggregated): Monday 20th July

Summer holiday: Tuesday 21st July to Monday 31st August

Academic Year 2026/2027

Autumn term 2026

Training days: Tuesday 1st September and Wednesday 2nd September

Term starts for children: Thursday 3rd September

Training day: Friday 23rd October

Half term: Monday 26th to Friday 30th October

End of term: Friday 18th December

Christmas holiday: Monday 21st December to Friday 1st January

Spring term 2027

Training day: Monday 4th January

Start of term for children: Tuesday 5th January

Half term: Monday 15th to Friday 19th February

Training day: Monday 22nd February

End of term: Thursday 25th March

Easter holiday: Friday 26th March to Friday 9th April

Summer term 2027

Start of term: Monday 12th April

Bank holiday: Monday 3rd May

Half term: Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June

Training day: Monday 7th June

End of term: Wednesday 21st July

Summer holiday: Thursday 22nd July to Wednesday 1st September

For Warwickshire school term dates please [click here](#).

* School and nursery are closed to all children during bank holidays, training days and holiday periods.

In Collective Worship

this week ...

In Collective Worship this week, we explored Pentecost, an important Christian celebration that marks the coming of the Holy Spirit to Jesus' followers. We learned how Pentecost is often called the "birthday of the Church" because it was the beginning of the disciples sharing God's message with people from many different nations and languages. We also reflected on how we can show empathy towards one another. We discussed the Christian value of compassion and thought about what it means to understand and care about the feelings of others. The children considered simple ways they can demonstrate compassion in their daily lives, such as listening carefully, offering help, including others, and showing kindness when someone is feeling sad or worried.

Christian Value this

half term



Learning Behaviour this

half term

Wise Owl



- * I can use the resources on my table and in the classroom to help me.
- ** I can use the working wall, phonics mats and knowledge organisers to find information to help me.
- *** I use things I already know to make links and help me learn new information.

Mental Health Support



MHST
Mental Health In Schools Team
Tips For Wellness

Empathy

Empathy means *feeling with* someone, not just *feeling sorry* for them. It is one of the best ways to be a kind friend and a good person. Empathy is not just noticing that someone is happy, sad, or hurt—you're trying to understand their feelings **from their point of view** and responding with kindness.

Examples of when you could be empathetic:

A friend is nervous before a test.
You might say: "I get nervous too. We've got this!"

Someone is sitting alone at lunch.
You might think: "I would feel sad if I were alone."
So, you could invite them to sit with you.

Our tips for empathy:

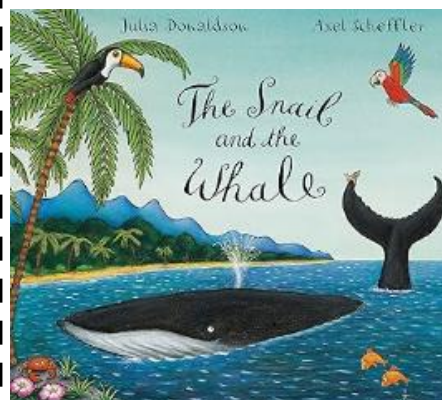
1. **Pay attention** to how people look and sound. Are they happy, sad, or upset? Look for clues in their body language to find out how they might be feeling.
2. **Read a book or watch a TV show.** Pick a character in the book or show and imagine how that character might feel. Do you think all the characters feel the same? **Put yourself in their shoes!**
3. **Empathy drawing** – if you like to get creative, you could try drawing a picture of how someone else might feel in a certain situation (e.g., "a child who has lost their favourite toy", "a child who is starting a new school").
4. **Be kind with actions** – even little things help – like sharing, listening, or giving a hug.
5. **Include everyone** – invite others to play, join in, or sit with you. Notice if someone is standing alone, sitting on a bench, or watching others play.
6. **Kindness cards** – consider making cards or notes for family, friends or classmates who might need a boost!

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.

Book of the week



Title: The Snail and the Whale

Author: Julia Donaldson

Recommended by: Max

Max recommended the book this week. A snail rides on the tail of a whale and go on an adventure.

E-Safety tip of the week



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

Please find the [link](#) to the online safety tips.

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

The Warwickshire Local Authority monthly SEND newsletter can be found here. [Click link](#)

The Warwickshire SEND local offer can be found here. [Click link](#)

Families can request free advice and support through Warwickshire SENDIASS [Click link](#)

Government Consultation

Please find a link to the government consultation on further measures to prepare children for the future in an age of rapid technological change. This includes potential age restrictions on social media and other services such as gaming sites and AI chatbots, restrictions on addictive design features and risky functionalities, and better support for parents and families.

[Click here to access the government consultation](#)

Family Support

Families can access free parenting courses through Eventbrite [here](#).

Click on [Family Information Service](#) for a wide range of information to support families, or to request support.

