



Leamington Hastings C of E Academy

Plant, Grow, Flourish!

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Wow, we have certainly made the most of sports week! Our Sports Day was a fantastic success, with the children showing great enthusiasm, determination and excellent sportsmanship throughout the afternoon. We were incredibly proud of how they encouraged one another and gave every event their best effort. Thank you to parents for coming to cheer the children on, and for taking part in the parent's race! Our year one and year two children also enjoyed a fencing taster session, where they learned some basic skills and techniques from a specialist coach. It was a wonderful opportunity for them to experience a sport that was completely new to many of them. All children also had the opportunity to try the air track, developing their balance, coordination and confidence through a range of fun activities. A huge thank you to Mrs Wooldridge who arranged sports week for the children.



We also had our Father's Day service this week. The children sang beautifully, and enjoyed sharing facts about their Dads. Thank you to all the Dads, or honorary Dads, that were able to join us.



We are looking forward to taking part in the Willoughby Church Festival tomorrow afternoon, we hope to see many of you there!

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

Suzanne Marson
Headteacher



Pupil achievements this week

Learner of the week

Eagle Owls (EYFS):	Sophia O	Snowy Owls (KS1):	Benjamin
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Learning behaviour of the week (based on the half termly learning behaviour focus)

Eagle Owls (EYFS):	Corrin, Lucas	Snowy Owls (KS1):	Georgia
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Five reads raffle tickets

Eagle Owls (EYFS):	Sophia O, Lara, Arnie, Isaac, James, Leo, Joe, Ella, Millie, Lucas, Sophia L	Snowy Owls (KS1):	Zara, Will, Edith
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Caught showing values slips

Courage:	Will, Matteo, Logan Y2, Emily, Benjam Y2, Corrin, Logan YN, Sam P, Lara, Jacob, Edith, Jude, Oscar, Sophia O, Millie, Isla Y1, Leo, Benjamin Rec, Jack, James, Max, Finlay, Archie, Arnie, Lucas, Ruben, Sam H, Charlie, Isaac	Generosity:	Isla (Rec)	Truthfulness:	Freddie
Friendship:	Georgia, Ava, Sophia L, Joseph	Forgiveness:	Lucas, Zara	Thankfulness:	Ella

Home Achievement

This week the achievements include rugby and gymnastics.

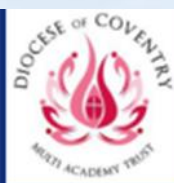


Spotlight on



FROM SEPTEMBER 2026

All children from households receiving Universal Credit may be entitled to Free School Meals (FSM)



TWO TYPES OF FREE SCHOOL MEALS

TARGETED FSM

Universal Credit + Household Earnings £7,400 or Less



Free school meal every school day



Access to the HAF Programme during school holidays



School receives Pupil Premium funding for additional educational support

EXPANDED FSM

Universal Credit households above the £7,400 earnings threshold



Free school meal every school day



Access to the HAF Programme during school holidays



No Pupil Premium funding



TRANSITIONAL PROTECTION IS ENDING

From 31 July 2026, previous FSM protection arrangements will end



Eligibility will be checked annually



Some families may become eligible for the first time



Some families currently receiving FSM may no longer qualify



ACTION REQUIRED

All families must check their eligibility from:



to receive Free School Meals from SEPTEMBER 2026

Apply or re-check eligibility as soon as possible

RECEPTION, YEAR 1 & YEAR 2



The Universal Infant Free School Meal Scheme is NOT changing



Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will continue to receive free school meals as usual and low-income families can still apply for additional support through Key Stage 1 Pupil Premium

APPLY NOW



Applications and re-checks of eligibility can be made now via Warwickshire County Council website

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals

We recommend applying as soon as possible. This will give more time for applications to be processed and ensure those eligible receive free school meals from the start of September.



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.
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	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.

ALL STAR Kids Club

£23

KIDS CLUB

KIDS HOLIDAY CLUB IN A SAFE & WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT!
FUN, EXCITING ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN 5-11 YEARS
9AM - 3.30PM
EARLY DROP OFF & LATE PICK UP AVAILABLE

WEEK 1 21ST & 23RD JULY
WEEK 2 27TH, 28TH, 29TH & 30TH JULY
WEEK 3 3RD, 4TH, 5TH & 6TH AUG
WEEK 4 11TH & 12TH AUG

MAKE NEW FRIENDS, TRY SOMETHING NEW & HAVE SO MUCH FUN!
✓ Performing Arts
✓ Themed activities
✓ Multi sports
✓ Team building
✓ So much more...

Leamington Hastings COFE Academy
Birdingbury Road, Hill, Rugby
Warwickshire
CV23 8EA

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More Information
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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
HANDSOMEST 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!

Current Lunch Menu

SPRING SUMMER MENU 2026					
	Planet Friendly MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK ONE	Option One: Chef's Special Creamy Chickpea Curry with Rice (VE)	Mild Mexican Chili with Rice (VE)	Roasted Quorn, Roast Potatoes, & Gravy (VE)	Smoky Bean Burger with Wedges & Tomato Sauce (VE)	Cheese & Bean Pasty with Chips & Tomato Sauce (V)
13/04/26	Option Two: Classic Macaroni Cheese (V)	Phat Pasty Pork Sausage Roll with Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognese	Fishfingers or Salmon Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
04/05/26	Sides: Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
25/05/26	Dessert: NEW Banana Mousse (V)	Orange Drizzle Cake (V)	Fruit Platter (VE)	Apple Flapjack (VE)	Shawberry Jelly with Mandarin (VE)
15/06/26					
06/07/26					
WEEK TWO	Option One: Lentil & Sweet Potato Curry with Rice (VE)	Spaghetti & Planet Friendly Tomato Saucy Meatballs (VE)	Lentil Wellington, Roast Potatoes & Gravy (VE)	Greek Spinach & Cheese Whirl with Herby Rice, Tzatziki & Salad (V)	NEW Cheesy Broccoli Prittata with Chips (V)
20/04/26	Option Two: Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Summer Mixed Salad (V)	Beef Chili with Rice & Sweetcorn & Cucumber Salsa	Roasted Pork or Chicken Sausage, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Greek Chicken Pita with Herby Rice, Tzatziki & Salad	Battered Fish with Chips & Tomato Sauce
11/05/26	Sides: Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
22/06/26	Dessert: Iced Vanilla Sponge (V)	Peaches & Ice Cream (V)	Freshly Chopped Fruit Salad (VE)	Jam & Coconut Sponge with Custard (V)	Oaty Cookie (VE)
13/07/26					
WEEK THREE	Option One: Saucy Tomato Pasta (VE)	Mexican Bean Roll with New Potatoes & Rainbow Slaw (VE)	Hearty Garden Loaf with Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy (VE)	All Day Planet Friendly Breakfast (V)	Nature Ranger Sausage and Bean Hotpot (VE)
27/04/26	Option Two: NEW Chinese-Style Rainbow Noodles (V)	Beef Burger with Potato Wedges & Rainbow Slaw	Roast of the Day, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy (VE)	Chef Shipa's Chicken Korma with Rice	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
18/05/26	Sides: Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
08/06/26	Dessert: Pineapple Upside Down Cake (V)	Cheese & Crackers (V)	Fruit Medley (VE)	Shawberry and Apple Crumble with Custard (V)	Vanilla Shortbread (VE)
29/06/26					
20/07/26					
AVAILABLE DAILY: Jacket Potatoes with a choice of fillings, Salad Bar, Bread, Fruit.					

LEAMINGTON HASTINGS

NON-UNIFORM DAY

FRIDAY 26TH JUNE 2026

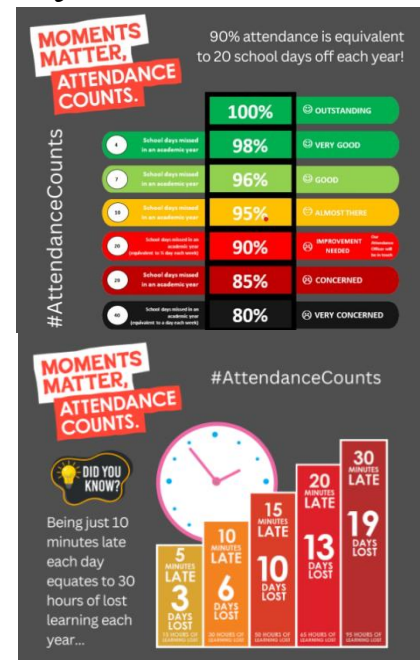
IN EXCHANGE FOR ROSE QUEEN PRIZES
SWEETS, CHOCOLATES, BOTTLES ETC

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

Attendance Weekly Summary

Whole School: 97.7% (Target 97%)

		
Reception	Year 1	Year 2
98%	100%	91%



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 used Picture News to explore how technology is used by children. We discussed the changes of technology over time e.g. what technology the adults had when they were younger, and how the children felt about their use of technology today.

We enjoyed a visit from Reverend Phil, who taught us how Eucharist takes part in Church.

We also explored stories linked to Refugee Week, and discussed how we can welcome people into the school community.

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



Mental Health in Schools Team
Tips For Wellness



Dimensions tool



Free online personalised self-care
information & support for adults and
children in Coventry & Warwickshire

Transition

Transitioning into a new class or school can feel exciting and scary at the same time. It is important to remember, you are not alone in this situation or alone with experiencing these feelings. If you are worried, it can be helpful to talk about how you are feeling about the transition with others as they may help you get prepared or give you a different perspective to consider, which can help you to feel better about it. Below are some tips to help you manage your transition into a new class or school.

Our tips for coping with transitions:

1 – What will be the same?

When moving to a new class or school, it can feel overwhelming because we feel that everything will change but there may be some similarities. For example, you may still have some people you know in your new class and you may still be learning subjects that you love.

2 – Think about what you can control

You may be worrying about the things that will be different in your new class. Think about the things you have control over and can think of practical solutions for. For example, can you visit your new classroom or complete your new journey to school, ahead of the first day? Can you ask a sibling or a friend to walk into class with you? You can ask for ideas from friends and family members too!



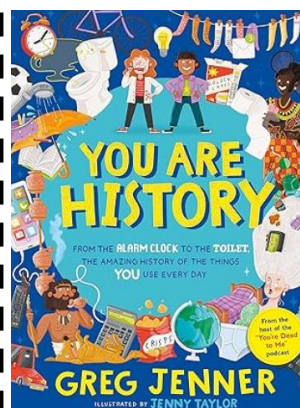
Scan this QR
code to see how
these children
solved some of
their worries!

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: You are History

Author: Greg Jenner

Recommended by: Ava

Ava recommended the book this week. A delightful history of everyday life with funny illustrations and true stories

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.

