Leamington Hastings C of E Academy

Plant, Grow, Flourish!

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Welcome back to school after the half-term break! It has been wonderful to welcome everyone back, and the children have settled quickly into their familiar routines. We have a busy and exciting half term ahead, with lots of opportunities for learning, new experiences and, of course, the build-up to Christmas! We look forward to sharing all the wonderful things happening across school and nursery as the term progresses.

A huge thank you to the Friends of Leamington Hastings for organising our annual Pumpkin Party! The children all had a fantastic time, and it was lovely to see so many wonderful pumpkins on display. It was especially lovely to see pumpkins that the children had not only carved but had also grown themselves. What a fantastic achievement! Thank you again to everyone who helped organise and support such a lovely event







If your child is in pre-school or year two, it is now time to apply for their school place for September 2027. Applications are made through Warwickshire County Council's school admissions process. Even if your child already attends our preschool, you must still submit an application for their reception place. We encourage all families to complete their applications in good time to avoid missing the deadline. Please do let us know if you need any support with this.



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



Pupil achievements this week

Learner of the week

Eagle Owls (EYFS):	Jack	Snowy Owls (KS1):	Millie

Learning behaviour of the week (based on the half termly learning behaviour focus)

Eagle Owls (EYFS):	Freya	Snowy Owls (KS1):	Ella

Presentation award

Eagle Owls (EYFS):	Oscar	Snowy Owls (KS1):	Benjamin

Five reads

Eagle Owls (EYFS):	Finlay, Oscar, Ruben	Snowy Owls (KS1):	Will, Zara, Georgia, Sophia, Lucas, Sam, Leo, Charlie, Lara, Millie, Isla D, Joe, Isaac, James

Dojo award

Eagle Owls (EYFS):	Mia	Snowy Owls (KS1):	Joe

Caught showing values slips

Courage:	Ella, Lara	Generosity:	Georgia, Isla D, Mrs Golby, Jack	Truthfulness:	
Friendship:	Isla N, Zara, Lara, Finlay, Georgia, Millie, Ella, Sophia	Forgiveness:	Autumn	Thankfulness:	Everybody

Home Achievements

This week the achievements include swimming and martial arts



Spotlight on .....

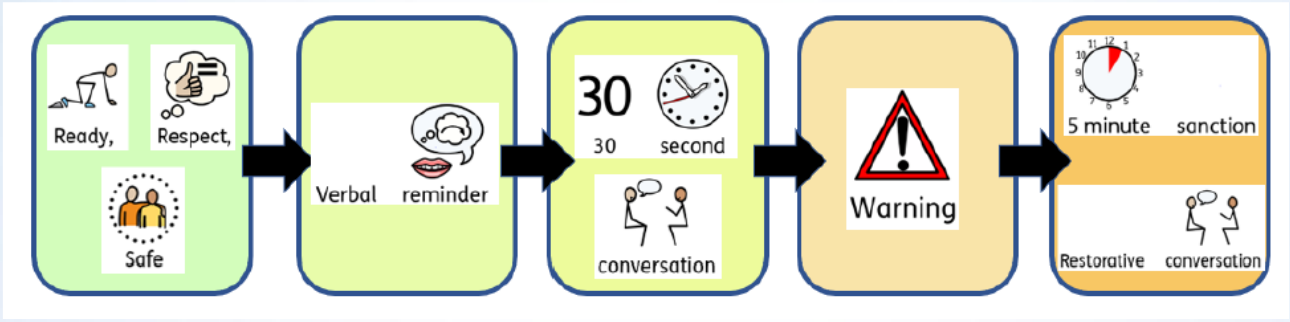
The Leamington Hastings behaviour policy

At Leamington Hastings, we have a restorative approach to behaviour, based upon research carried out by Paul Dix.

We have three school rules that encompass everything that we do.
• **Ready** (to learn) • **Safe** (behaviours) • **Respect** (for ourselves, for others, for property and the world in which we live)

These rules are underpinned by the routines of:
• Fantastic walking (walking around school with a quiet or silent voice)
• Amazing line ups (standing sensibly and facing the right way in silence)
• Clean corridors and classrooms (items away and on pegs / in drawers)
• Superb sitting (sat cross legged, lips closed, facing the teacher / board and hands in lap, folded or by the side of the child)

We have a range of rewards on offer for the children, as can be seen on the rewards page in each newsletter. This is in addition to lots of positive praise taking place throughout every day. The graphic below details the sanctions within our behaviour policy.



During a 30 second conversation, which always takes place in private with the child concerned, the child is helped to recognise the behaviour that needs to change and reminded of the school expectations.

During a restorative conversation, children will be asked the following questions, asking all children involved the same questions. Children are supported through the use of visual aids where this is needed.

• What happened?
• What were you thinking or feeling?
• How are you feeling now?
• Who has been affected by what has happened? In what way have they been affected?
• What can you do differently next time?
• What can you do to make things right?

The aim of a restorative conversation is that the child learns how to change their behaviour in future situations. This is then followed by a five minute sanction, referred to as reflection time, which always takes place on the same day.

Every day is a new day and a chance for a fresh start—consequences do not carry on into the next day.

Our full Relationships and Behaviour policy can be found on the policies page of the school website.

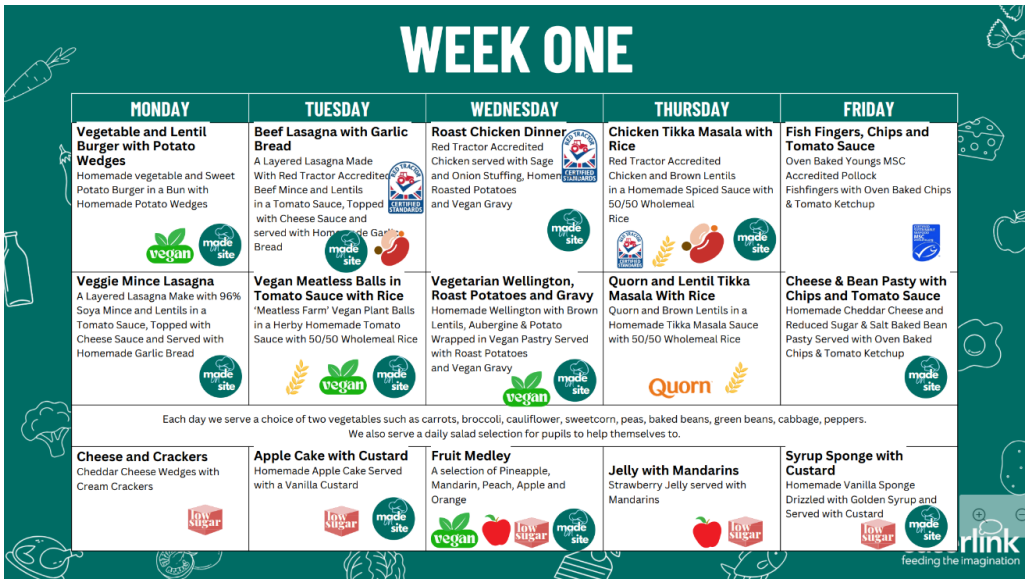
Diary Dates

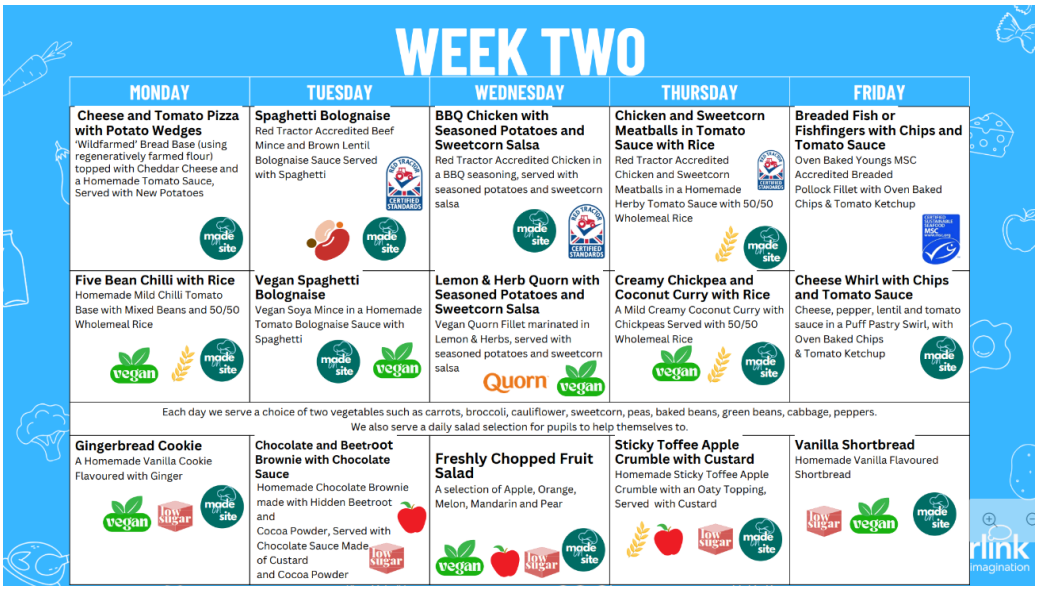
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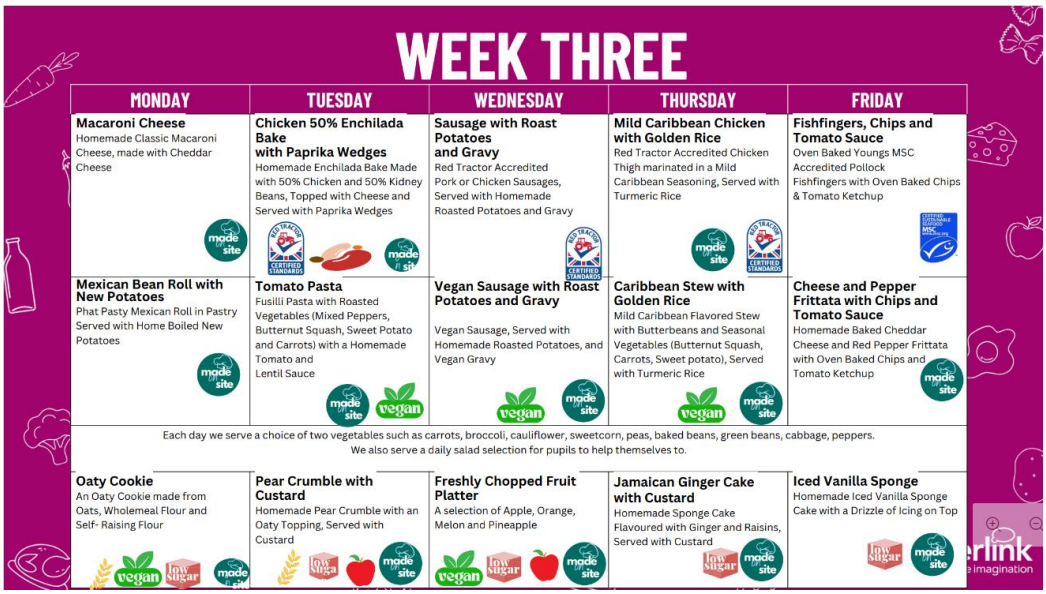
WC 9th November	**Interfaith Week** **Some collective worships throughout the week will focus on the similarities between a range of faiths.**
Tuesday 10th November	**Friends of Leamington Hastings meeting** **Our wonderful Friends (PTA) are meeting online via Microsoft Teams at 8pm. All parents are welcome to join us.**
Wednesday 11th November	**Remembrance Day** **Children will learn about Remembrance Day in an age-appropriate way and take part in a one minute silence at 11am.**
Thursday 12th November	**Dunchurch Boughton C of E Junior Academy Open Morning** **Dunchurch Boughton C of E Junior Academy are running an open morning at 9.00 am for anyone whose child is due to start year three in September 2027. Individual tours can also be provided - please contact the school office at office.junior@dunchurch.covmat.org to book an individual tour.**
Friday 13th November	**World Kindness Day** **We will be focussing on how to show kindness to one another, linked to antibullying week next week.**
Friday 13th November	**Children in Need** **Children are invited to come into school in non-uniform, including wearing spots. Parents are welcome to make a voluntary donation on this day.**
WC Monday 16th November	**Antibullying Week** **Children will be taught about antibullying throughout the week. Children are invited to wear odd socks to school on Monday, demonstrating that we are all unique.**
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Tuesday 17th November	**Open Evening for prospective reception and nursery** **Is your child due to start reception or nursery in September 2027? Prospective reception parents are welcome to join us for a presentation and a chance to look around the school. Please book via the school office and arrive via the school office for a 5pm start.**
Thursday 26th November	**Passport to world views afternoon – Hannukah** **Children will be learning about the festival of Hannukah during the afternoon.**
Saturday 28th November	**Christmas Wreath Making Workshop** **Friends of Leamington Hastings PTA fundraiser. Please see poster for further details.**

Thursday 26th November	**Non Uniform day** **Non uniform day in exchange for bottles and sweet treats to be sold on tombola stalls at the Christmas Fair.**
Monday 30th November	**Open afternoon for prospective reception and nursery** **If your child is due to start reception or nursery in September 2027, you are welcome to join us for a group tour around the school at 2pm. Please book via the school office.**
Wednesday 2nd December	**Open morning for prospective parents** **If your child is due to start reception or nursery in September 2027, you are welcome to join us for a group tour around the school at 9.30am. Please book via the school office.**
Wednesday 2nd December	**Christingle Service** **Parents are welcome to come into school to join the children for a Christingle service. Please arrive via the school office for a 2:30pm start.**
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Thursday 10th December	**Christmas Jumper & Craft Day** **Children are welcome to come into school wearing non-uniform, including a Christmas jumper, for Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day. Any voluntary donations are welcome. Children will take part in a Christmas craft day on this day.**
Friday 11th December	**Christmas Fair** **Come and join our Christmas Fair straight after school. To be held in the school hall.**
Monday 14th December	**Christmas Performance 1** **The children across school will perform their Christmas play at 2:30pm. Each family will be allocated two tickets for the play, which will be available to obtain via MCAS nearer the time. Please enter and leave the school via the school office.**
Tuesday 15th December	**Christmas Performance 2** **The children across school will perform their Christmas play at 9:15am. Each family will be allocated two tickets for the play, which will be available to obtain via MCAS nearer the time. Please enter and leave the school via the school office.**
Wednesday 16th December 2026	**Warwick Arts Centre Theatre Visit – The Gruffalo Child** **The whole school will visit the Warwick Arts Centre in the morning to see The Gruffalo's Child as a theatre performance. Kindly funded by the PTA. We will need parental helpers for the trip, please let the school office know if you are able to help.**
Tuesday 12th January 2027	**CBSO Reception and KS1 Schools Concert – Reception, Year 1 and Year2 pupils will be attending a concert at the CBSO Centre, Birmingham. Please refer to the letter for further details.**
Tuesday 2nd March 2027	**Oxford Natural History Museum KS1 Trip – Year 1 and Year 2 pupils will have the opportunity to visit Oxford University Museum of Natural History. Please refer to the letter for further details.**

Current Lunch Menu



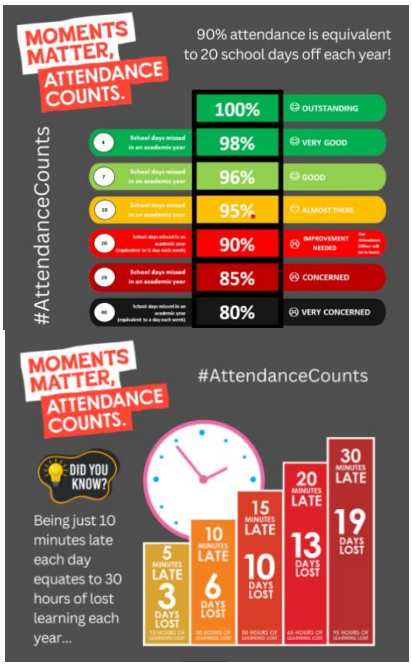




Attendance Weekly Summary

Whole School: 94.52% (Target 97%)

		
Reception	Year 1	Year 2
100%	92%	95%



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	Drama	Football	Cheerleading	Multi Sport (excluding 18th December)

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

Term Dates

Academic Year 2026/2027

Autumn term 2026

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

Autumn term 2027

Start of term - Wednesday 1 September - this is a teacher training day

Half term – Monday 25th to 29th October

End of Term - Friday 17th December

Christmas holiday – Monday 20th December to 4th January 2028

For Warwickshire school term dates please click here.

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

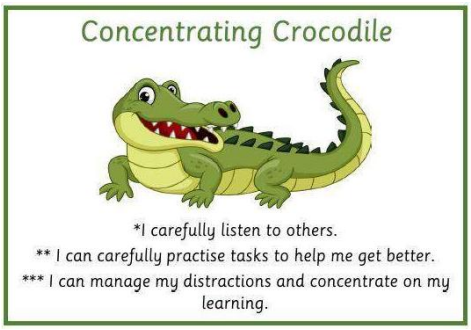
In Collective Worship this week …

During collective worship this week, we have introduced our new value and learning behaviour for this half term. We have explored our concentration skills and how these support us within our learning, along with using stories to help us understand the value of generosity. We read the story Ordinary Mary's Extraordinary Day to help us learn how little acts of generosity can make a big difference.

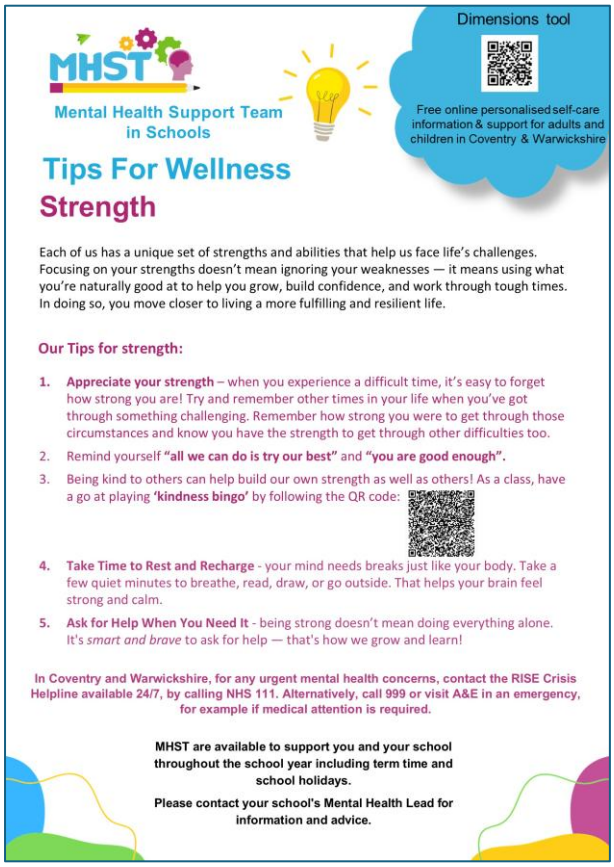
Christian Value this half term



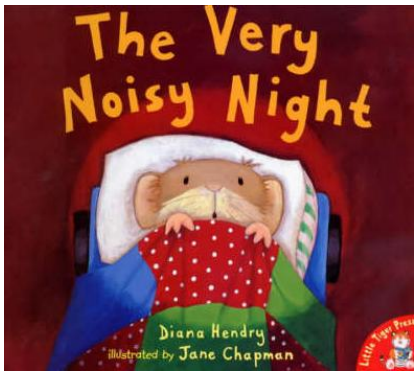
Learning Behaviour this half term



Mental Health Support



Book of the week



Title: The Very Noisy Night

Author: Diana Hendry

Recommended by: Zara

Zara has been sharing and reading this book since she was very little. The little mouse is learning to sleep in a bed of their own but keeps waking up because it hears noises. Mouse is reassured that there is nothing to worry about because it is just the wind.

E-Safety tip of the week

Childnet

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

BEST START IN LIFE

Early Years Funding

Click on the link to find out more about it, who qualifies and how to apply.

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.







Being visible to other road users is important all year round, whether walking, cycling, scooting or wheeling. However, it is especially important during the autumn and winter months when days are shorter and evenings longer.

We can improve our visibility and help drivers and other road users see us by wearing light, bright and fluorescent clothing or accessories in the day, and reflective clothing or accessories in the evening.

If cycling, we must make sure our bicycles have a working white front light, and red back light.



Reception and Junior entry

When can your child start school?

- **Children can start school (Reception) in the September after their fourth birthday.**

You need to apply for September 2027 if your child:

- was born between **1 September 2022** and **31 August 2023** (for a place in Reception).
- If your child will be in Year 2 at an infant school in September 2027 (for a place in a junior school).





Tax-Free Childcare

Eligible working families of children aged 0 to 11, or 0 to 16 if disabled, can get a £2 top-up for every £8 towards the cost of their childcare.

Click for further information