



Leamington Hastings C of E Academy

Plant, Grow, Flourish



It has been another busy week in school, including some new members joining the school family. Welcome to the new families who have joined us this week! Key Stage One have used the iPads in school to access Purple Mash this week, researching information to use towards a project. Children can also access Purple Mash from home, providing them with a safe space to explore games and activities. In Early Years, the children have focused on developing their emerging writing skills. I love this time of year as I usually receive lots of secret message from the children written with their secret message pens!



Next week, we have our curriculum evenings taking place. This is your opportunity to find out what your children will be learning over the next academic year, so please do attend if you can. If you are unable to attend, slides used will be shared via Dojo. On Wednesday, we have the first meeting of the academic year for The Friends of Leamington Hastings. The Friends have raised a lot of money for the school in recent years, contributing towards the playground markings and the large climbing frame, and providing a significant amount of money towards resources in the EYFS classroom. If any new parents or wider family members would like to join, we would love to see you there. Please see the meeting dates for a link to join the meeting.

You may have noticed that we have an unstable wall at the entrance of the front of the school. Starting from Monday, the wall will be removed and replaced with a fence, and the gates will also be replaced. The area will still be able to be used during drop off and pick up times, but there will be more limited access outside of these times. There will also be some replacement tarmac being laid over the next two weekends, which should limit any disruption to the school days. The walls on the school site are old and whilst there are no other concerns, we do ask that children do not climb or stand on the walls to keep themselves safe and to prevent any further damage.

Thank you for your ongoing support. Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Suzanne Marson

Headteacher



PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS THIS WEEK

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

Eagle Owls: Emily

Snowy Owls: Barney, Connor

LEARNING BEHAVIOUR OF THE WEEK

Eagle Owls: Gregory, Georgia

Snowy Owls: Ashlyng, Matthew

5 READS RAFFLE TICKET:

Eagle Owls: Emily, Will, Georgia

Snowy Owls: Emile, Benjamin, Ashlyng, Edith, Jude, Barney, Matthew,

Leela Rose, Evelyn, Theodore, Evie

LUNCH TABLE OF THE WEEK

Green Table

CAUGHT SHOWING VALUES

Courage: Matthew, Aeryn, Sam x 2, Lucas, Micaiah, Miles, Matthew

Forgiveness: Jude, Miles

Generosity: Gregory, James x 2, Max, Sam x 2, Emily, Will, Georgia, Zara x 5

Friendship: Emily, Edith, Evelyn, Evie, Joe, Freddie, Emily, Georgia x 2, Zara,

Thankfulness: Sophia, Sam, Emily, Georgia, Emile

Truthfulness: Barney

ACHIEVEMENTS FROM HOME:

Achievements this week include horse riding.



Spotlight on

Learning Behaviours

At Leamington Hastings, we have a set of six learning behaviours which can be seen below. These learning behaviours reflect the key learning dispositions that we feel the children need to develop at an infant level, supporting the children to become successful lifelong learners. We have one focus learning behaviour each half term, which is shown within the newsletter, and is promoted as part of collective worship sessions and around school.

To make the learning behaviours appealing to the children, they are paired with an animal and broken down into child friendly statements that demonstrate what this may look like in practice.

The learning behaviours are woven throughout our rewards systems. Children can earn stickers,

Team Meerkat



- *I can listen to a partner carefully.
- **I can share my ideas with a small group.
- *** I can explain tasks to other people.

Effort Elephant



- * I put effort into completing my work.
- ** I select tasks that challenge me.
- *** I make sure that I always complete my work to the best of my ability.

Tough Tortoise



- *I am brave and have a go at different things.
- **I can persevere and keep going even when it is difficult.
- ***I can show resilience. I bounce back and try again to learn from my mistakes.

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.

Wise Owl

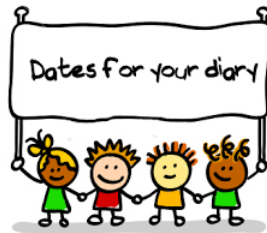


- * I can use the resources on my table and in the classroom to help me.
- ** I can use the working wall, phonics mats and knowledge organisers to find information to help me.
- *** I use things I already know to make links and help me learn new information.

Concentrating Crocodile

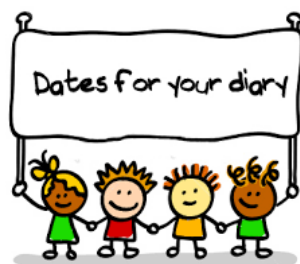


- *I carefully listen to others.
- ** I can carefully practise tasks to help me get better.
- *** I can manage my distractions and concentrate on my learning.



Future dates:

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| Tuesday 24th Sep- tember | Key stage curriculum evenings Parents are invited to come into school to listen to a presentation about what the children will be taught this academic year. EYFS—4:30pm KS1—5:15pm |
| Wednes- day 25th Septem- ber | Friends of Leamington hastings meeting Our wonderful PTA will be meeting at 8PM on this date. New parents are welcome to attend. Click here to attend the meeting |
| Monday 30th Sep- tember | Parent's evening booking opens Contact the school office to book your parent's evening from today. |
| Monday 7th Octo- ber | Harvest service Parents are invited to join us for a Harvest service in school. Karen Armbrister from the church parish and the children will lead the service. Please come into school for a 2:30pm start. Children are welcome to bring donations for Rugby Foodbank into school at any point leading up to this day. |
| Thursday 10th Octo- ber | World mental health day Children are invited to wear non-uniform / yellow clothing on this day. A voluntary donation towards Young Minds can be made should parents wish to. During the school day, we will be teaching children about the Zones of Regulation, focussing on recognising and understanding feelings. |
| Monday 14th Octo- ber | School Photographs Individual portraits |
| Monday 21st Octo- ber | Passport to world views afternoon Children will be learning about the festival of Diwali in school. |
| Tuesday 22nd Oc- tober | Phonics workshops for parents Parents are invited into school to join their children for a phonics lesson. Nursery—9am, Reception—9:15am, Year 1 and 2—9:45am. |
| Tuesday 22nd Oct & Wed 23rd Oct | Parent's evenings You are invited to come into school for a 10 minute slot to talk about your child's progress so far this academic year. Please book your slot with the school office from Monday 30th September. Appointments are available from 3:30 pm—6pm. |
| Friday 25th Octo- ber | Vocabulary day As part of our promotion of adventurous vocabulary, we will be holding a vocabulary day in school. Children are invited to come to school dressed as an adventurous word. Past examples have included illuminated, festive, floral, glamorous and athletic. |
| Monday 11th No- vember | Remembrance day Children will take part in a minutes silence within school. |



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| Monday 11th No- vember | Open evening for prospective parents Prospective parents for nursery or reception in September 2025 are welcome to join us for a presentation and a chance to look around the school. Please arrive for a 5:30pm start. |
| Monday 11th No- vember | Anti-bullying week: Choose respect Children are invited to wear odd socks to school on Monday, demonstrating that we are all unique. |
| Friday 15th No- vember | 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. |
| Monday 2nd De- cember | Christingle service Parents are welcome into school to join the children for a Christingle service. This will be lead by Karen Armbrister from the local church. Please arrive in school for a 2:30pm start. |
| Thursday 12th De- cember | All things Christmas! 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. |
| Monday 16th De- cember | Christmas play 1 The children across school will perform their Christmas play at 2:30pm. Each family will receive two tickets for the play, which will be sent home nearer the time. |
| Tuesday 17th De- cember | Children play 2 The children across school will perform their Christmas play at 9:15am. Each family will receive two tickets for the play, which will be sent home nearer the time. |
| Tuesday 17th De- cember | Theatre trip to Warwick Arts Centre—The Smeds and The Smoos More details to follow. If your child is in nursery and does not attend on a Tuesday, they are welcome to join us on this day. Please book them in via the school office ASAP so that we can book the correct number of tickets. |
| Thursday 19th De- cember | Christmas church service Parents and wider family members are welcome to join us for a church service at All Saints Church, Leamington Hastings. The service will start at approximately 9:45am and will be lead by Reverend Phil. |
| Thursday 19th De- cember | Passport to world views afternoon Children will be learning about the festival of Hannukah in school. |

MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS. #AttendanceCounts

DID YOU KNOW?

Being just 10 minutes late each day equates to 30 hours of lost learning each year...

Attendance Weekly Summary

Whole school: 96.4% (Target 97%)

| Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 |
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| 97.4% | 95.7% | 93.8% |

PE Days

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



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

After School Clubs: Autumn term 1

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Multi Sport | Construction Club | Cookery Programming Club | Arts/Craft Street Dance | Target Games |

BOOK OF THE WEEK

Title: Noisy Pirates

Author: Sam Taplin

Recommended by: Sophia



Sophia especially enjoys this pirate adventure book with silly sounds and battling pirates. Her favourite page contains pirate crew hiding in a barrel.



Click on [Family Information Service](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/children-families) for a wide range of information to support families, or to request support.
www.warwickshire.gov.uk/children-families



Connect for Health

Find lots of useful links click [here](#).



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



*To book a place on our sessions scan the QR code or follow the link: <https://tugbycfc.eventbrite.com>



ONLINE SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK



This week's top tip for parents to protect and keep children safe online,
Digital safety tips from [Internetmatters.org](https://www.internetmatters.org).

[Click](#) on the link

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

In collective worship we have continued to focus on our value of friendship. We have considered how this links in with the school rule of respect, and discussed treating others in the same way that we would want to be treated ourselves. We linked this with the parable of The Good Samaritan.

We have also considered our school vision of 'Plant, Grow, Flourish'. We thought about how we could be like the good soil that enables others to grow and flourish.

TERM DATES 2024/2025

Autumn Term 2024

Term Starts Wednesday 4th September

Teacher Training Day Monday 2nd September

Teacher Training Day Tuesday 3rd September

Half Term: Monday 28th Oct to Friday 1st Nov

End of Term: 20th December

Spring Term 2025

Teacher Training Day Monday 6th January

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

Teacher Training Day Monday 21st July

CHRISTIAN VALUE



LEARNING BEHAVIOUR

Team Meerkat



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FUN FOR FAMILIES



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WARWICKSHIRE SAFE & ACTIVE SCHOOLS

Our school has signed up to the Safe and Active Schools Programme 2024-2025. As part of the programme all children will be receiving age-appropriate road safety sessions, and we will also be participating in and promoting active travel.

We recognise how important messaging is for our children. Your children copy your actions, and your behaviour serves as a powerful role model. We would like to ask all our families to model the safest behaviours near the road for children to copy and make good choices around travelling actively on the school run.

We will be sharing messages and ideas from the Safe and Active Schools team and further information about the children's road safety learning in school throughout the year.

For further information about road safety and active travel you can follow or contact the road safety education team.

X (previously Twitter) - [@WCCSafe_Active](https://twitter.com/WCCSafe_Active)
Facebook - [@WCCSafeActiveTravel](https://www.facebook.com/WCCSafeActiveTravel)

Email roadsafetyeducation@warwickshire.gov.uk

Friendship

Friends can be there for you and be an important source of mental health support and wellbeing. The **5 steps to wellbeing** highlight the importance of connecting with others, whether that be friends, family or key important people in your life, it is important to stay connected!

Connecting with others can help us feel close to people and feel valued for who we are. Being social means different things for different people; you might prefer being in quieter situations with one other person, or you might like being in big groups. You might like to connect with people face-to-face, online, by sending letters, or talking on the phone!

Our tips for building friendships:

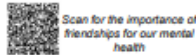
- If you feel comfortable, you could try speaking to someone new.
- Ask how someone's weekend was and really listen when they tell you.
- Walk to school with a friend or ask someone to play with you at breaktime.



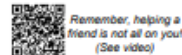
5 steps to wellbeing

Friends can help you with your mental health in lots of different ways. They might check in with your feelings or simply make you laugh by sharing a video on TikTok. They might also help you by:

1. **Talking things through** - if you are finding things difficult, talking things through with a friend can help you understand how you feel and what support you might need. It might even be that they just sit and listen. A friend can also keep you company to remind you that you are not alone.
2. **Give practical support** - for example, if you are nervous about going to a party, friends can help you by going to the party with you, messaging you to see how you are getting on or helping you find a quiet space.
3. **Taking your mind off things** - they can distract you from what might be making you feel low or stressed and help you feel calmer through difficult times.
4. **Notice changes in your mood** - friends who know you well might recognise if you are struggling or not feeling your best and can check in to see if you need support.



Scan for the importance of friendships for our mental health



Remember, helping a friend is not all on you! (See video)

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.

HARVEST APPEAL

HELP LOCAL PEOPLE FACING HARDSHIP

Rugby Foodbank

We are seeing an ever-increasing need – but a reduction in vital donations. By donating this Harvest, you can support local people facing hardship.

- **Donate food** – in store (see our website for a location near you), or as part of your online grocery shop
- **Donate money** – via our online giving platform
- **Share our appeal** – with friends, family and colleagues.

For more information, please visit www.rugby.foodbank.org.uk

TOP FIVE ITEMS NEEDED THIS HARVEST

Tinned vegetables
Tinned meat
Tinned custard
Hot Choc drink
Sweet biscuits



Children are welcome to bring donations into school at any point leading up to 7th October. Please do not donate beans, pasta or cereals at this time



Leamington Hastings Academy Parents Group

Please find the link to the Friends of Leamington Hastings parents group.

Please contact Mel Bailey if you have any questions.

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