



# Leamington Hastings C of E Academy

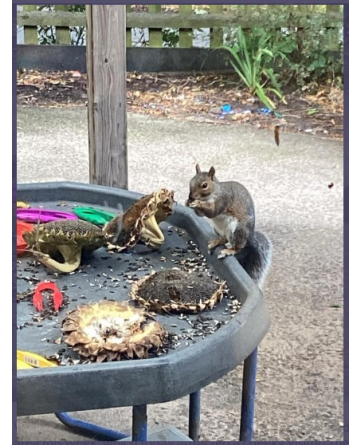
## *Plant, Grow, Flourish*



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This week has been a very busy week in school! The children are now fully settled into their new year groups and have been busy carrying out their learning. The children are immersed in their new topics of 'Toys' in Key Stage One and 'Marvellous Me' in Early Years. Early Years have also taken the opportunity to learn about woodland animals as they have been visited by a squirrel who took the opportunity to eat some sunflower seeds when the children were carrying out their learning inside.



Phonics lessons are underway, and reception children in particular are already making fantastic progress in this area! All parents are invited to come into school on Thursday 22nd October to join in with a phonics lesson if they would like to find out how this is taught in school, please see the diary dates for more information.

As the weather is now starting to become more chilly, particularly in the mornings, please can we ask that children always have a named waterproof coat in school so that they do not get cold at playtime, lunchtime or when learning outside. If your child has pierced ears, please can all earrings be removed before school on a PE day.

On Wednesday 25th September, the wonderful Friends of Leamington Hastings group (our PTA) will be meeting online at 8pm. The Friends are a group who work exceptionally hard to raise funds, and have supported projects such as the playground markings, funding towards the large climbing frame and lots of new resources for the outdoor reception area (you will have seen the new sheds on Dojo!). They help us to provide lots of opportunities for the children which we are very grateful for, such as subsidising the cost of school trips for parents and providing fun activities such as the annual pumpkin party. Each Friends meeting is held via Microsoft Teams and all parents and extended family members are welcome to join us—please see the diary dates for the September meeting link.

Thank you for engaging with Dojo—we now have nearly all parents within school signed up! We will start to populate Dojo with the upcoming events for the term so that they serve as a useful reminder for you.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support.

Suzanne Marson

Headteacher



## **PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS THIS WEEK**

### **LEARNER OF THE WEEK**

**Eagle Owls: Georgia**

**Snowy Owls: Jacob, Sadie**

### **LEARNING BEHAVIOUR OF THE WEEK**

**Eagle Owls: Freddie, Emily**

**Snowy Owls: Edith, Emily**

### **5 READS RAFFLE TICKET:**

**Eagle Owls: Emily, Georgia, William**

**Snowy Owls: Emile, Sadie, Evie, Leela, Theodore**

### **LUNCH TABLE OF THE WEEK**

**Red Table**

### **CAUGHT SHOWING VALUES**

**Courage: Emily x 2, Lucas, Sadie, Evelyn**

**Forgiveness: Zara**

**Generosity: Edith, Jonas x 2, Alasdair, Will, Gregory, Freddie, James x 2, Sam, Emily**

**Friendship: Leela, Zara, Will, Joe, Aeryn, Emily, Sam, James, Jude, Arthur, Gregory, Sophia**

**Thankfulness: Will**

**Truthfulness: Alasdair, Georgia**

### **ACHIEVEMENTS FROM HOME:**

**Blue Peter book badge, Gymnastics (silver Olympics medal) and a**

**Probationer Choirister at St Mary's Warwick**



# Spotlight on .....

## Safeguarding

At Leamington Hastings, safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is everyone's responsibility and our top priority. Everyone who comes in to contact with the children and their families has a role to play. The children's wellbeing, safety, achievement and happiness underpins every decision we make. Often when safeguarding is mentioned, the immediate thought is about child protection –when a child is suffering harm, or is in danger of suffering harm. However, safeguarding is much more complex than this and encompasses a very wide range of issues. At Leamington Hastings, we ensure that our staff are well trained in all aspects of safeguarding and this training is regularly updated and frequently revisited throughout the year. The members of the school safeguarding team can be seen below:



Mrs Suzanne Marson, Headteacher

Mrs. Marson is the Designated Safeguarding Lead for the school and leads on safeguarding and child protection. Mrs Marson will take the lead where a child has a Child in Need or a Child Protection plan.



Miss Annie Scofield, Deputy Headteacher

Miss Scofield is a Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead. Miss Scofield will lead on safeguarding and child protection when Mrs Marson is off site, and may attend meetings in Mrs Marson's absence.



Mrs Liz Wooldridge

Mrs Wooldridge leads on all aspects of Early Help and is a Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead. If you need Early Help support with any issues outlined in the poster to the right, Mrs Wooldridge is your point of contact in school.

Mrs Wooldridge is also the school's Designated Teacher for Looked After Children.

**Information, advice and one to one support for families with children and young people aged 0-25 across Warwickshire on issues including:**

- Family relationships
- Special educational needs and disabilities
- Health and wellbeing
- Parenting worries or concerns
- Behaviour management
- Money and debt
- Housing
- Childcare
- Legal advice
- Sleep advice

For more information on available support visit [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies)

We also ensure that our curriculum provides the children with age- appropriate opportunities to learn how to keep themselves healthy and safe. Safeguarding themes are interwoven throughout our curriculum within school. Some examples include:

- Promotion of our school rules and values
- Promotion of British Values
- Themes and values in collective worships
- Internet Safety days and lessons, with age appropriate activities
- A half termly online safety program for all age groups within school
- Online safety discussions within computing and other relevant lessons
- Involvement in World Mental Health Day, Anti-Bullying Week and Children’s Mental Health Week
- Our PSHE curriculum, including a class charter at the start of each academic year
- Lessons exploring keeping healthy, including topics such as diet, exercise, hygiene and sleep
- The Protective Behaviours curriculum



Warwickshire  
Safeguarding



**THIS ORGANISATION  
IS COMMITTED TO  
SAFEGUARDING AND  
PROMOTING THE WELFARE OF  
CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND  
EXPECTS ALL STAFF,  
VOLUNTEERS AND PARENTS TO  
SHARE THIS COMMITMENT**

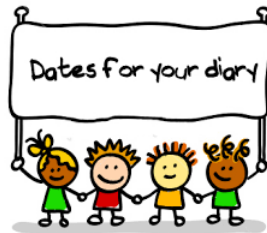
If you have concerns that a child is suffering any form of abuse, neglect or cruelty contact the Warwickshire Children and Families Front Door immediately by calling  
**01926 414144**

Lines are open Monday to Thursday  
8.30am - 5.30pm, Friday 8.30am - 5.00pm

If you need to get in touch out of usual office hours, please contact the Emergency Duty Team immediately by calling  
**01926 886922**

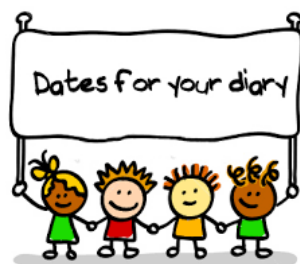
If you think a child is at immediate risk contact the Police on  
**999**





Future dates:

Tuesday 24th Sep- tember	<b>Key stage curriculum evenings</b> 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	<b>Friends of Leamington Hastings meeting</b> Our wonderful PTA will be meeting at 8PM on this date. New parents are welcome to attend. <a href="#">Click here</a> to attend the meeting
Monday 30th Sep- tember	<b>Parent's evening booking opens</b> Contact the school office to book your parent's evening from today.
Monday 7th Octo- ber	<b>Harvest service</b> 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	<b>World mental health day</b> 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 21st Octo- ber	<b>Passport to world views afternoon</b> Children will be learning about the festival of Diwali in school.
Tuesday 22nd Oc- tober	<b>Phonics workshops for parents</b> 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 Oc- tober & Wednes- day 23rd October	<b>Parent's evenings</b> 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	<b>Vocabulary day</b> 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-	<b>Remembrance day</b> Children will take part in a minutes silence within school.



Monday 11th No- vember	<b>Open evening for prospective parents</b> 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	<b>Anti-bullying week: Choose respect</b> Children are invited to wear odd socks to school on Monday, demonstrating that we are all unique.
Friday 15th No- vember	<b>Children in Need</b> 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	<b>Christingle service</b> 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	<b>All things Christmas!</b> 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	<b>Christmas play 1</b> 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	<b>Children play 2</b> 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	<b>Theatre trip to Warwick Arts Centre—The Smeds and The Smoos</b> 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	<b>Christmas church service</b> 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	<b>Passport to world views afternoon</b> 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: 97.6% (Target 97%)

Reception	Year 1	Year 2
100%	98.6%	96.7%

### 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: Autumn term 1

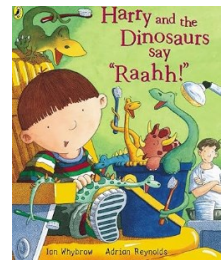
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Multi Sport	Construction Club	Cookery Programming Club	Arts/Craft Street Dance	Target Games

### BOOK OF THE WEEK

**Title:** Harry and the Dinosaurs say 'Raahh'

**Author:** Ian Whybrow & Adrian Reynolds

**Recommended by:** Emile



Emile recommended the book this week. He enjoys the story containing dinosaurs hiding in the house.

It reminds him of one of his friends. Could it be because he also does not like the dentist?



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://t.zugbyvfc.eventbrite.com>



## ONLINE SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK



This week's top tip for parents to protect and keep children safe online, from the BBC. [Click](#) on the link

## COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week, we have considered our value of friendship and how we can demonstrate this towards each other on the playground. We also focused on how we can become a 'Team Meerkat', thinking about what this might look like in the classroom and around school.

On Monday, we were visited by Karen Armbrister from the local church. She talked about new beginnings, and how we can always start with a fresh page.

## 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

**Teacher Training Day Friday 21st July**

End of Term Friday 18th July

## CHRISTIAN VALUE



## LEARNING BEHAVIOUR

### 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.



**Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership NHS Trust**



**LEAMINGTON HASTINGS SCHOOL**

WE WILL BE IN SCHOOL ON **24/09/2024**

CLOSING DATE OF CONSENT LINK IS: **15/09/2024** PLEASE NOTE THIS QR CODE IS ONLY FOR THIS SCHOOL


Scan Me to consent for your child's Flu Vaccination



Portal for consenting for the flu vaccine will be closing this Sunday 15<sup>TH</sup> September 2024.




North Warwickshire schools: Tel: 02476 321550  
Email: [NORTHIMMS@covwar.kp.nhs.uk](mailto:NORTHIMMS@covwar.kp.nhs.uk)

**Mental Health in Schools Team**


**Tips For Wellness**




## Resilience

Resilience is our ability to cope with difficult life events and **bounce back** afterwards. Someone who is resilient faces tough situations head-on, experiencing the difficult times and emotions. They process these challenging times by working through difficult emotions, building trust in themselves and their ability to cope through hard times.

Follow the QR code to hear young people talking about what resilience means to them:




Follow the QR code to hear an Olympic athlete talk about overcoming hurdles and developing self-belief:




**Our tips for building resilience:**

- When faced with a difficult situation use the idea of the **'circle of control'** to help you see what you can and cannot change. Try to focus on things that you can change and let go of the things outside your control.



Circle of control

- When building resilience, our **connections** with others can play a key part in increasing confidence to keep going. Think about the people in your life who you could go to if things are feeling tough. Create a **'network hand'** to help you identify trusted people in your life (one person for every finger). Can you take time today to talk with someone about a problem you are facing?
- Self-care** means doing things to look after ourselves and prioritising our mental and physical wellbeing. Can you think of activities that make you happy or relaxed? Some ideas include exercising, listening to music or being creative. Follow the QR code for other ideas:



Self-care plan

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.




## Show you care, get involved

Become an Academy Governance Committee member ('school governor') as a parent or a member of the local community

- Provide support, monitoring & challenge around educational experience & performance
- Support Church, community & stakeholder engagement & Trust strategy, approach, ethos & values
- Recieve reports, attend meetings & carry out monitoring visits to school
- Experience strategic leadership for great personal development & work within a code of conduct
- Training is an ongoing & essential part of the role & is provided free of charge



Contact [samantha.jannaway@covmat.org](mailto:samantha.jannaway@covmat.org) or scan the QR code to register your interest



\* representative parents rather than representatives of parents - it's not about gathering views but being able to present a balanced and impartial view from a parental perspective

# 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.

**TOP FIVE ITEMS NEEDED THIS HARVEST**

- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned meat
- Tinned custard
- Hot Choc drink
- Sweet biscuits

- 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](http://www.rugby.foodbank.org.uk)




Children are welcome to bring donations for the Rugby Foodbank into school at any point leading up to 7th October.

Please do not donate beans, pasta or cereals at this time