



Leamington Hastings C of E Academy



Plant, Grow, Flourish

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We have had a busy week in school, with lots of learning taking place. The Early Years children made the most of the sunshine this week, spending time developing their gross motor and communication and language skills in the outdoor area.

We are looking forward to sharing the school with prospective parents on Tuesday evening next week. We are also showing prospective parents around for individual and group tours, please do share this information if you are aware of anyone who is looking for a school space.

A huge thank you to our PTA, the Friends of Leamington Hastings, who have been busy planning events for the children over the festive period and beyond. Enjoy your hot chocolates after school everyone!

Thank you for all your support. Have a lovely weekend.

Suzanne Marson

Headteacher



PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS THIS WEEK

LEARNING OF THE WEEK

Eagle Owls: Benjamin

Snowy Owls: Ava

LEARNING BEHAVIOUR OF THE WEEK

Eagle Owls: Sophia O

Snowy Owls: Jacob

FIVE READS RAFFLE TICKET:

Eagle Owls: Freddie, Autumn, Joe, James, Isla,
Benjamin, Lara, Sophia, Sophia L,
Charlie, Lucas, Isaac, Millie, Arnie, Leo

Snowy Owls: Will, Ava, Jude, Benjamin

PRESENTATION AWARD:

Eagle Owls: Leo

Snowy Owls: Georgia

CAUGHT SHOWING VALUES

Courage: James, Leo, Ruben, Autumn, Ava, Charlie,
Isla, Lara, Jacob, Will, Archie

Forgiveness: Isaac, Freddie, Lucas, Sam H, Edith

Generosity: Jack, Freddie, Millie x 2, Arnie, Zara

Friendship: Snowy Owls, Eagle Owls, Sam P,
Benjamin W, Emily

Thankfulness: Sophia O, Jude

Truthfulness: Benjamin (Rec), Georgia

ACHIEVEMENTS FROM HOME

Achievements from home include swimming



SEND

Who can I talk to if I am concerned my child may need additional support?

In the first instance, you would discuss your concerns with your child's class teacher. You can also contact Miss Annie Scofield who is our school SENDCo who will be happy to meet to discuss your concerns related to SEND, including mental health. Whilst Miss Scofield is on maternity leave, the acting SENDCo is Mrs Liz Wooldridge.

What is an EHCP?

An EHCP is an Educational Health and Care Plan. It is a legal document which details the child's needs and how the child will be supported. Most children and young people with SEND are supported in schools without an EHCP and you do not need one to receive additional support. An EHCP formalises the support your child will receive. EHC Plans are for complex, long-term needs and when a child's progress suggests they need more targeted support.

What are the 4 broad areas of need?

- Communication and interaction
- Cognition and learning
- Social, emotional and mental health difficulties
- Sensory and/or physical needs

What is SEND?

SEND stands for Special Educational Needs and/or a Disability.

A child has SEN if they:

- have significantly more difficulty learning than most others their age
- have a disability which prevents them taking part in similar learning to others of the same age
- need extra support that is 'additional to' and 'different from' the support that other children of the same age get

The other part of SEND is Disability-

- A disability is defined as a physical or mental condition which has a long-term and substantial impact on your daily life (Equality Act 2010).
- It can be physical, e.g cerebral palsy
- It can be neurological, e.g autism spectrum disorder

If a child has a disability that does not affect their learning, they are part of SEND but do not have Special Educational

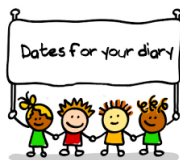
What is an IEP?

An IEP is an individual education plan which all children on the SEND register will have. These consist of SMART targets which the child will focus on in the next term. These are reviewed and written every term and are shared with parents/carers within IEP meetings. Parents and carers have the opportunity to contribute to their child's IEP review and new targets.

Warwickshire local offer:

Warwickshire's SEND local offer brings together information about the local services and support available across education, health and social care for families with children and young people aged 0 to 25, who have special educational needs and/or disabilities.

[SEND Local Offer – Warwickshire County Council](#)



Any new dates will be added in red

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| Friday 21st November | <p>Non Uniform day</p> <p>Non uniform day in exchange for bottles and sweet treats to be sold on tombola stalls at the Christmas Fair. Thank you for your kind donations</p> |
| Tuesday 25th November | <p>Open evening for prospective reception and nursery parents</p> <p>Is your child due to start reception or nursery in September 2026? Prospective reception parents are welcome to join us for a presentation and a chance to look around the school. Please arrive via the school office for a 5pm start.</p> |
| Monday 1st December | <p>Theatre trip</p> <p>The whole school will visit the Warwick Arts Centre in the morning to see The Tiger Who Came To Tea as a theatre performance. More details to follow.</p> |
| Tuesday 2nd December | <p>Christingle service</p> <p>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.</p> |
| Thursday 4th December | <p>Christmas Fair</p> <p>Come and join our Christmas Fair straight after school. To be held in the school hall.</p> |
| Monday 8th December | <p>Christmas Wreath Making Evening—Fully Booked</p> <p>Hosted by Leamington Hastings School PTA. All proceeds will go towards new school equipment.</p> |
| Monday 8th December | <p>Christmas around the world</p> <p>Children will be learning about Christmas around the world during the afternoon.</p> |
| Thursday 11th December | <p>Christmas jumper and craft day</p> <p>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.</p> |
| Wednesday 17th December | <p>Christmas performance 1</p> <p>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. Please enter and leave the school via the school office.</p> <p>Our lovely Friends committee will be selling refreshments during this event.</p> |
| Thursday 18th December | <p>Christmas performance 2</p> <p>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. Please enter and leave the school via the school office.</p> <p>Our lovely Friends committee will be selling refreshments during this event.</p> |
| Thursday 18th December | <p>Christmas church service, All Saints Church</p> <p>All parents are welcome to join us in All Saints Church for a Christmas church service to start at approximately 1:45pm.</p> <p>We will be travelling to church via minibus as the fields are too muddy to walk the whole school at this time of year. We would be grateful for any volunteers to accompany the children on the minibus. Please let the school office know if you are able to help.</p> |





LEAMINGTON HASTINGS
C of E ACADEMY

CHRISTMAS FAIR



THURSDAY 4TH
DECEMBER
3:15-5:00PM



Festive games
Tombola
Face painting
Refreshments



MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS. #AttendanceCounts

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

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| 5 MINUTES LATE 3 DAYS LOST | 10 MINUTES LATE 6 DAYS LOST | 15 MINUTES LATE 10 DAYS LOST | 20 MINUTES LATE 13 DAYS LOST | 30 MINUTES LATE 19 DAYS LOST |
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Attendance Weekly Summary

Whole school: 96.64% (Target 97%)

| Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 |
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| 94% | 100% | 100% |

PE Days

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



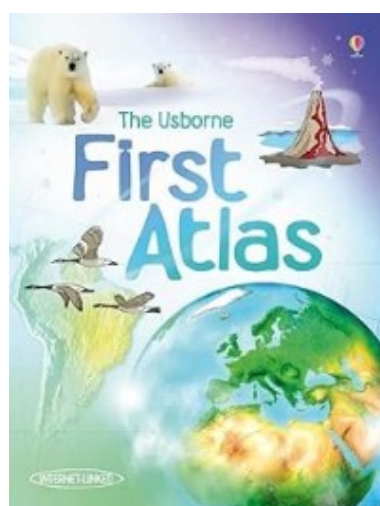
| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Early Years KS1 | - | - | - | Early Years KS1 |

After School Clubs: Autumn term 2

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---------------|--------------|------------|----------|--------------------------------------|
| Arts & Crafts | Pottery Club | Dodge Ball | Football | Cheerleading (excluding 19.12.25) |

BOOK OF THE WEEK

Title: First Atlas
Author: Elizabeth Dalby
Recommended by: Edith



Edith recommended this non fiction book of the week containing maps, illustrations and photographs including Ediths favourite polar bears.

ONLINE SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK

internet
matters.org



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

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

TERM DATES 2024/2025

Autumn Term 2025

End of Term Friday 19th December

Spring Term 2026

Start of Term: Monday 5th January

Half Term: Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February

Teacher Training Day: Monday 23rd February

End of term: Friday 27th March

Summer Term 2026

Start of Term Monday 13th April

Half Term: Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May

Teacher Training Day: Monday 1st June

End of Term: Friday 17th July

**Disaggregated Teacher Training Day:
Monday 20th July**

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

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week, we have focussed on the value of generosity. We have used the stories 'Have you filled a bucket today' and 'The squirrels who squabbled' to explore different ways that we can show generosity such as:

- Time
- Sharing
- Kindness
- Helping someone who is hurt or upset
- Making donations

CHRISTIAN VALUE



LEARNING BEHAVIOUR

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.

Click on [Family Information Service](#) for further information

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICE NEWSLETTER



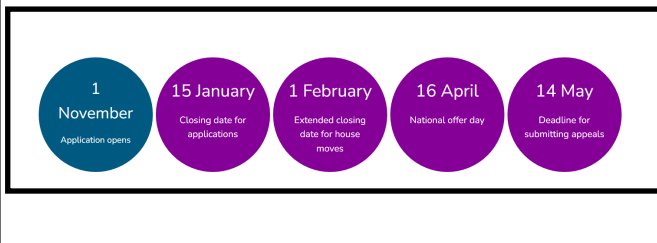
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You need to apply for September 2026 if your child:

- was born between **1 September 2021** and **31 August 2022** (for a place in Reception).
- If your child will be in Year 2 at an infant school in September 2025 (for a place in a junior school).

The applications process opens on 1 November 2025 and the deadline for applying for a Reception or Junior place is **15 January 2026**. If you apply by this date, you will receive your child's school offer on National Offer Day (16 April 2026).



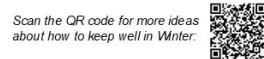
Winter Wellness

It is important to focus on our wellness during the colder months. Winter is a time where our bodies may start to crave the same warmth and comfort we had during the summer months. We might associate winter with the winter blues, but we need to try and create some space for self-care and slow down to nourish our physical and mental health! Sometimes we might feel the winter blues because of the lack of sun and vitamin D we are getting. This is why our mental wellbeing should be a big focus during these months, and we should find creative ways to stay on track, keep up motivation, and look after ourselves.

Our Top Tips For Winter Wellness:

1. Wrap up warm and lay down with a blanket and a hot drink.
2. Do some **fun activities outside** in the natural sunlight such as going for walks or seeing friends (you might need to wrap up warm for this!) Even on cold days, fresh air and natural light boosts our mood.
3. **Stay active** – try indoor exercises to help get your body moving during the colder months. You could keep your energy up by dancing, swimming, or practising yoga. You could also find an exercise video online for you to do at home!
4. You might even want to go to your local café and read a book in the daytime or have a warm relaxing bath when you're home after a cold day.
5. **Keep up your routines** - getting up in the morning is harder in winter when it's cold and dark. Shorter days also make it tempting to sleep more, but consistent sleep helps your mind feel balanced.
6. **Eat well and stay hydrated** — good nutrition fuels your brain and body.
7. **Talk about how you're feeling** — sharing your thoughts can help if you're feeling low or stressed.

Remember to always make time for yourself at the end of a long day!



In Coventry and Warwickshire, for any urgent mental health concerns, contact the Children and Young People's Mental Health Crisis support 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

CHRISTMAS FAIR

HOW YOU CAN HELP...

You will shortly be receiving an empty cone in your child's book bags. Please fill this with small treats (eg. Chocolate coins, small toys, stationary – anything goes) for our lucky dip!

Fri 21st is our non-uniform day. Please bring a sweet treat or bottle for our popular tombola's

Raffle tickets will also be appearing in book bags. Please nag family and friends to support our school as much as possible. Tickets for 2x luxury hampers will be drawn at the final Christmas play on Thurs 18th Dec

Finally... If you have any wonderful contributions we can add to our luxury hampers or, are able to spare a few hours helping at stalls on the day this would be most appreciated!



PTA@leamingtonhastings.covmat.org



Family Carols

at All Saints
Leamington Hastings*
December 21st from 2.45pm



Christmas crafts & refreshments from 2:45pm
Family carols and Christmas story at 4pm

Christmas jumpers, sparkles, nativity outfits, and four-legged friends with Christmas accessories are all

Please click on the link
[Allsorts](#) to view the online magazine

