



Leamington Hastings C of E Academy



Plant, Grow, Flourish

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What a busy week we've had! Anti-bullying week was launched on Monday by us all wearing odd socks. We discussed how we are all unique and celebrated our differences. We also talked to the children about how bullying is more than one unkind act, and is more than something accidental. We discussed how bullying is a purposeful act and happens more than once. We used the image on the right to help the children understand this.



It is also inter-faith week this week, which we have explored in collective worship. We thought about how there are far more similarities between religions than differences, such as festivals involving light and food, prayers, and feelings of hope, love and joy. The children enjoyed taking part in a trail to discover these themes further. On Tuesday we took part in a collective worship as part of Remembrance Day—the children were very respectful. On Thursday, we thought about how we could be kind to one another on world kindness day. This week has really focused on how we can live well together to help one another grow and flourish. Plus, we also had our classroom learning too along with raising money for Children in Need today!



As we shared last week, we currently have a ballot open for parents to vote for our next parent governor. The form will remain live until Wednesday at 12pm. You can cast your vote by clicking the form here [Leamington Hastings parent AGC November 2025 – Fill out form](#), or by following the QR code at the bottom of the page.



Thank you to everyone who joined a gathering of the Friends this week. It is great to have such a dedicated group of parents who are committed to supporting the school. The next events are a hot chocolate Friday and the Christmas Fair. Please see the diary dates for more information.

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

Suzanne Marson

Headteacher



PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS THIS WEEK

LEARNING OF THE WEEK

Eagle Owls: Sam H

Snowy Owls: Jude

LEARNING BEHAVIOUR OF THE WEEK

Eagle Owls: Ruben, Lucas

Snowy Owls: Will

FIVE READS RAFFLE TICKET:

**Eagle Owls: Leo, Benjamin, Charlie, Ella, Freddie,
Isaac, Joe, Lara, Lucas, Max, Sam,**

Sophia L, Sophia O

Snowy Owls: Emily, Ava, Zara, Will, Edith

PRESENTATION AWARD:

Eagle Owls: Freddie

Snowy Owls: Emily

CAUGHT SHOWING VALUES

Courage: Ruben, Sophia O, Autumn, Lucas, Jude,

Max, Will, Georgia

Forgiveness: Lara, Corrin

**Generosity: Sophia L, Zara, Jacob, Autumn, Sam, Joe,
Isaac, Freddie, Benjamin (R), Charlie**

**Friendship: Edith, Emily, Benjamin (2), Ava, James,
Isaac, Joe, Ella, Arnie, Millie, Eagle Owls**

Thankfulness: Edith

Truthfulness: Sophia O

ACHIEVEMENTS FROM HOME

Achievements from home include swimming 5m and an award presented at a local Fete.



Spotlight on Spotlight on

Leamington Hastings school values

Across the school, we have a focus on six values. These underpin our school vision of Plant Grow Flourish, based on the Parable of the Sower. We consider the values and how we can live these out in our everyday lives, exploring them in collective worship, through stories and across the curriculum. The values also feature within our rewards system, with children being able to earn 'caught showing values' slips throughout the week, which are presented in collective worship on a Friday. Children can earn a slip if an adult spots them displaying one of the values—we always aim as a school to try to represent all the values across each week. Within each newsletter, there is a section that details the focus value for that half term.





Any new dates will be added in red

Thursday 20th No- vember 9:30am	<p>Information session with Mrs Darragh for year two parents</p> <p>Mrs Darragh, Headteacher of Dunchurch Boughton C of E Junior Academy, will be available in the Dunchurch Infant school hall at 9:30am to talk to parents of children who are currently in year two at either Dunchurch Infants or Leamington Hastings. This is a chance to talk to Mrs Darragh and find out more about the Juniors, with information tailored to the two feeder schools.</p>
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.</p>
Tuesday 25th No- vember	<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 De- cember	<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 De- cember	<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 De- cember	<p>Christmas Fair</p> <p>Come and join our Christmas Fair straight after school. To be held in the school hall.</p>
Monday 8th De- cember	<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 De- cember	<p>Christmas around the world</p> <p>Children will be learning about Christmas around the world during the afternoon.</p>
Thursday 11th De- cember	<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>
Wednes- day 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 De- cember	<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>



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<p>Thursday 18th De- cember</p>	<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>
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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...

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: 96.28% (Target 97%)

Reception	Year 1	Year 2
94%	100%	100%

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 2

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

BOOK OF THE WEEK

Title: Tractor Ted

Author: Alexandra Heard

Recommended by: Ella



Ella recommended the book this week. She enjoys reading the Tractor Ted books which include beautiful pictures of chickens in real farm adventures and fun farming facts.

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

Collective worship this week has focussed on the special days this week— antibullying, interfaith week and kindness day. The children have responded really well to the idea of living well together and celebrating one another's differences with kindness. We linked all of these ideas to our school rule of respect.



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



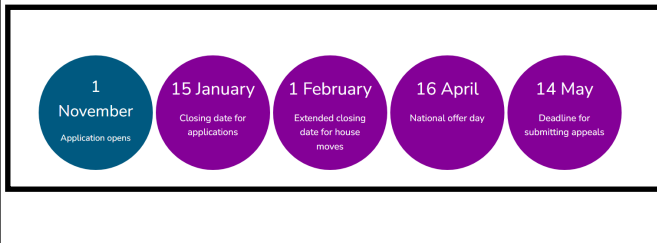
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You need to apply for September 2026 if your child:

- 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).



Motivation

Motivation is what helps you start and keep going with your goals, this may be linked to school, hobbies or life stuff. It is the 'why' behind what you are doing. Motivation can help you to finish a task or practise a new skill, it can make learning and playing more fun and help you to feel proud when you have done something great.

Sometimes it can be difficult to find motivation to begin an activity. To help with this, think about what is your 'why'. Ask yourself what goal matters to you and connect with what excites or inspires you.

Our Top Tips For Motivation:

1. **Set small and clear goals:** Break big tasks into bite-sized steps. Ensure you celebrate each smaller win along the way.
2. **Create a routine that works for you:** Having a plan for your day can help to keep you on track and reduce potential stress.
3. **Remain positive:** If you are finding an activity difficult, remember to be kind to yourself. If something is hard, say, 'I am learning' instead of 'I can't do it'.
4. **Ask for help:** It is ok to ask family, friends or teachers for some help when you get stuck.
5. **Motivational matching activity:** Write some goals down on individual pieces of paper e.g., 'to finish my homework' and some motivational reasons down on another piece of paper e.g., 'to help me learn new things'. Spread the paper around upside down. Take turns flipping them over to match a goal with a motivational reason. When a pair is found, have a conversation about why that motivation may help to achieve the goal. Consider any barriers to achieving the goal and plan how you could overcome them.

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.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS



School meals are free for lots of families, check if you are eligible to apply!

So much more than lunch...

A free school meal:

- creates healthy eating habits
- improves learning and behaviour
- saves money and time
- helps schools get extra funding

Did you know that claiming free school meals means that your child will get access to free school holiday activities and food?



To find out more and for help to apply for free school meals, please contact: freemeals@warwickshire.gov.uk or call 01926 359189



Can I apply?

Your child could be eligible for free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support or Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support from National Asylum Support Service (NASS)
- Guarantee Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

You should still apply if your child is aged 4-7 and receives a universal free school meal

Find out more and apply at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/fsm

