



Leamington Hastings C of E Academy



Plant, Grow, Flourish

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The children have had a great week, and have been using their design and technology skills to create their own dishes. This week, Early Years designed and made their own pizzas linked to the story of The Little Red Hen Makes a Pizza. They particularly enjoyed their pizza party and eating their pizzas! Key Stage One are carrying out a unit of work linked to healthy snacks and have been designing their own salads. It sounds like there are some interesting combinations!



As you may have seen on Dojo, Mrs Wooldridge has been taking part in a research project linked to children's understanding and expression of personal worldviews through art. The art is being exhibited at Rugby art gallery this weekend. If you have a child in year three, some of their work from last academic year is also featured. More information can be found in the images below.



We have noticed that some children are not wearing the correct uniform to school, particularly on PE days. Please see this week's spotlight for information and images of the correct uniform.



Have a lovely weekend, thank you for your support.

Suzanne Marson

Headteacher

CHILDREN'S WORLDVIEWS in Art
Free Exhibition & Craft Sessions
FRI. 23- SAT. 24 JAN., 11AM-3PM
RUGBY ART GALLERY & MUSEUM
ALL WELCOME

CHILDREN'S WORLDVIEWS in Art
FIND OUT MORE



PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS THIS WEEK

LEARNING OF THE WEEK

Eagle Owls: Freddie
Snowy Owls: Zara

LEARNING BEHAVIOUR OF THE WEEK

Eagle Owls: Oscar, Leo
Snowy Owls: Isla

FIVE READS RAFFLE TICKET:

**Eagle Owls: Ella, Lucas, Leo, Autumn, Millie, Isla,
Sophia L, Isaac, Sophia O, Charlie, Arnie**
**Snowy Owls: Zara, Will, Isla, Emily, Ava, Georgia,
Benjamin**

PRESENTATION AWARD:

Eagle Owls: Max
Snowy Owls: Benjamin

CAUGHT SHOWING VALUES

**Courage: Emily, Jacob, Will, Ruben, Autumn,
Isaac, Lucas, Max, Leo, Corrin**

**Friendship: Arnie, Isla (R) , Autumn, Lara, Sam,
James, Oscar, Benjamin Y2, Edith, Ava,
Georgia, Isla**

Generosity: Lara, James

Truthfulness: Edith, Charlie, Ella, Sophia L

Thankfulness: Jude, Sophia O

**Forgiveness Zara, Millie, Freddie, Isaac x 2,
Benjamin (R)**

Spotlight on

Every day for Nursery and on non P.E. days for the rest of the school

Children should wear:



A red cardigan or jumper (school logo item available)

A white or red polo shirt (school logo item available)

Smart, dark grey school trousers, shorts or culottes

Smart, dark grey school skirt or dress

White, red or grey socks or tights

A red, checked summer dress in warmer weather



Black school shoes, with a velcro fastening unless children can independently tie their own laces



School Uniform

The wearing of uniform supports a sense of belonging to the school community. We encourage children to take pride in their appearance and ask that they wear school uniform from the items pictured.

All items with a school logo are available to buy from the Webb Ellis Uniform Shop in Rugby: <https://webb-ellis.co.uk/shop/schools/infant-schools/leamington-hastings-infant-school/>, from Andrew Hyde: <https://ahyde.co.uk/collections/leamington-hastings> or second hand through the school office. Please contact the school office for the most up to date list of school stock. There is no expectation that branded uniform is worn, children are welcome to wear unbranded uniform.

Please name all items, including shoes, with your child's name so that we can return lost property to the correct owner.

Other items to bring to school:

- A red book bag (plain or with the Leamington Hastings logo) - please do not send rucksacks into school as we do not have the space to store them
- A waterproof coat
- A sun hat in warmer weathers
- A named water bottle

On P.E. days for reception, year 1 and year 2



A red cardigan, jumper or fleece (school logo item available)

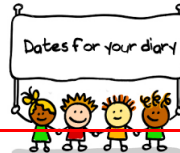
A white or red polo shirt (school logo item available)

Plain black jogging bottoms, leggings, shorts or skirts

White, red or black socks (no tights on P.E. days please)

As plain as possible white or black trainers with a velcro fastening, unless children can independently tie their own laces





Any new dates will be added in red

Friday 6th February	<p>National Number Day</p> <p>Children will take part in a day of maths activities to promote problem solving and a love of maths in a fun and creative way. Children are invited to come into school dressed as a number themed costume which can be as simple or as imaginative as you like. Some ideas include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wearing a T-shirt with a number Dressing up as a calculator or clock Creating a costume that represents a shape, dice, or number line Becoming their favourite number! <p>There is no need to buy anything new – homemade or recycled costumes are more than welcome. The aim is to have fun and enjoy a day full of number-related activities across the school.</p>
WC 9th February	<p>Children’s Mental Health Week</p> <p>During collective worships, and within some classroom learning, children will be learning how to keep themselves mentally healthy.</p>
Tuesday 10th February	<p>Safer Internet Day</p> <p>Children will be learning about keep safe online during the day.</p>
Friday 13th February	<p>Passport to world views afternoon – Vesak</p> <p>Children will be learning about the festival of Vesak during the afternoon.</p>
Friday 13th February	<p>Shrove Tuesday Pancakes</p> <p>Children across the school will be making pancakes to mark Shrove Tuesday which takes place over the half term break. Please provide the school office any details of allergies prior to this date.</p>
Tuesday 24th February	<p>Stand up to Bullying Day</p> <p>Children will be learning about what bullying is and isn’t as part of collective worship.</p>
Thursday 26th February	<p>Parent’s Evening Booking Opens</p> <p>Book your parent’s evening slot by using MCAS, emailing or telephoning the school office</p>
Tuesday 3rd March	<p>Bubble Theatre</p> <p>Bubble Theatre will be visiting Leamington Hastings C of E Academy</p>
Thursday 5th March	<p>World Book Day</p> <p>Children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. Competition for those who would like to take part—As we love reading at Leamington Hastings, we have decided to run an exciting 'story jar' competition to showcase favourite books. Children are invited to think about how their favourite book could be represented in a jar or box, for example, by using certain items, quotes or clues about the story. If your child would like to take part in the competition, please send the completed items into school on book day. Prizes will be awarded for the best creations!</p>
Monday 9th March	<p>Science Week</p> <p>Throughout science week, the children will take part in a variety of hands-on experiments, exciting investigations, and themed activities tailored to their year group. We’ll also be focusing on the importance of asking questions and thinking like scientists.</p> <p>We would like to invite parents to join us for an afternoon of science on Monday 9th March from 2:15pm.</p>
Tuesday 10th March	<p>Class Photographs</p> <p>Star Vison Photography will be on site to take class photographs on this day.</p>


Thursday 12th March	Mother's Day service Mums, or a female representative, are invited to attend a Mother's Day service within school. One adult per family please. Please arrive in school via the School Office for a 2:30pm start.
Friday 20th March	Passport to world views afternoon Children will learn about the festival of Eid al Fitr
Tuesday 24th March	Parent's evening night 1 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 via the school office. Appointments are available from 3:30 pm—6pm. Please enter and leave the school via the School Office entrance.
Wednes- day 25th March	Easter Church Service, All Saints Church All parents are welcome to join us in All Saints Church for an Easter church service to start at approximately 1:45pm. We will be walking to church through the fields, please send your children to school with appropriate footwear on this day (you may want to provide wellies or walking boots). We would be grateful for any parent volunteers to help us to walk the children to and from church - please let the school office know if you are able to help.
Wednes- day 25th March	Parent's evening night 2 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 via the school office. Appointments are available from 3:30 pm—6pm. Please enter and leave the school via the School Office entrance.
Thursday 26th March	Easter Fun EYFS will be taking part in a variety of Easter fun activities on this day.
Friday 27th March	Passport to world views afternoon—Rama Navami Children will learn about the festival of Rama Navami during the afternoon.

Autumn Winter 2025 2026		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK ONE 03.11.25 24.11.25 15.12.25 05.01.26 26.01.26 16.02.26 09.03.26	Option One	Plant Balls in Tomato Sauce with Rice	Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	NEW Chicken Biryani	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce <small>(Salmon Fin Fingers Available)</small>
	Option Two	Autumn Vegetable Lasagne	Beetroot and Lentil Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges	Vegetarian Wellington with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	NEW BBQ Sausage Pasta with Garlic Bread	Cheese and Bean Pasty with Chips and Tomato Sauce
	Vegetables	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
	Dessert	Cheese and Crackers	NEW Apple Crumb Cake with Custard	Fruit Medley	Jelly with Mandarins	Syrup Sponge with Custard
WEEK TWO 10.11.25 01.12.25 22.12.25 12.01.26 02.02.26 23.02.26 16.03.26	Option One	Classic Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Wedges	Spaghetti Bolognese	CHICKEN SHACK BBQ Chicken or Quorn with Seasoned Potatoes and Sweetcorn Salsa	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Rice	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Option Two	Mild Mexican Chili with Rice	Vegan Spaghetti Bolognese		Creamy Chickpea and Coconut Curry with Rice	Cheese Whirl with Chips and Tomato Sauce
	Vegetables	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
	Dessert	NEW Gingerbread Cookie	Chocolate and Beetroot Brownie with Chocolate Sauce	Fruit Salad	Sticky Toffee Apple Crumble with Custard	Vanilla Shortbread
WEEK THREE 17.11.25 08.12.25 29.12.25 19.01.26 09.02.26 02.03.26 23.03.26	Option One	Macaroni Cheese	NEW Chicken Enchilada Bake with Paprika Wedges	Sausage with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Caribbean Mild Caribbean Chicken with Golden Rice	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Option Two	NEW Chefs Special Lentil Curry with Rice	Tomato Pasta	Vegan Sausage and Roast Potatoes with Gravy	Caribbean Stew with Golden Rice	Red Pepper Frittata with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Vegetables	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
	Dessert	Oaty Cookie	Pear Crumble with Custard	Fruit Salad	NEW Jamaican Ginger Cake with Custard	Cornflake Tart
MENU KEY		Added Plant Protein	Wholemeal	Vegan	Chef's Special	
Available Daily: - Freshly cooked jacket potatoes with a choice of filling - Fresh Bread - Daily salad selection - Fruit						
<p>ALLERGY INFORMATION: If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of allergen cross contact.</p> <p>caterlink feeding the imagination</p>						

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: 91.43% (Target 97%)

Reception	Year 1	Year 2
85%	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: Spring term 1

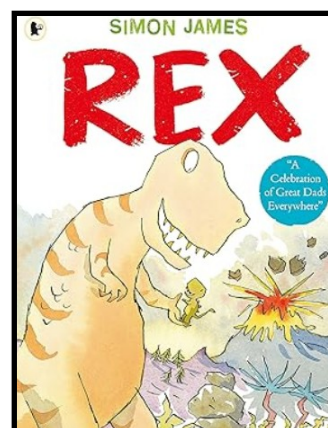
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Arts & Crafts	Drama Club	Construction Club	Dodgeball	Gymnastics

BOOK OF THE WEEK

Title: Rex

Author: Simon James

Recommended by: Freddie



Freddie recommended the book this week, it has lots of dinosaurs and fossils. We share it as a family all together.

ONLINE SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK

 UK Safer Internet Centre



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

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

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

In collective worship this week, we have thought about our value of courage. We have learnt about this through the bible story of David and Goliath. We have particularly thought about having the courage to share your thoughts and opinions.

We also learnt about world religion day, and thought about how religions have many similarities, with central themes of love and friendship.

TERM DATES 2024/2025

Spring Term 2026

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

CHRISTIAN VALUE



LEARNING BEHAVIOUR

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.



[Click to link](#) to the latest magazine

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





Mental Health in Schools Team
Tips For Wellness Learning



We are always learning new things – often without realising it! Learning can include developing skills as well as developing knowledge. Learning something new can help to improve our mental wellbeing, as it gives us a sense of achievement and purpose. We can challenge ourselves to build new skills or develop skills that we already have. It can help to build motivation, confidence, and self-esteem too.

To help us to learn something new, we can set ourselves a challenge or a goal to work towards. Can you think of a new challenge or goal to try?

Learning can be fun! Studies show that learning can help us to enjoy life more! Can you find a new activity that you enjoy and make it part of your life?

Our tips for learning:

1. **Learn a new word each day!** Can you use the new word in your schoolwork? Can you teach this new word to a friend?
2. **Get creative!** Try a new craft activity or write a story or song. Have a look at some ideas for craft activities here 
3. **Try a new hobby,** such as a new sport, learning to paint or join a new after-school club.
4. **Try a new food or learn to cook a new recipe.** Could you share this experience with someone? For example, could you bake a cake with a friend, or cook a meal for your family?
5. **Learn a new language.** Try and learn simple words and phrases, such as "hello", "how are you?" and "my name is...". You could use online resources or apps, such as Duolingo, to help you.
6. **Try a new sport or class.** Could you help others to learn by becoming a coach for a junior team?
7. **Start a craft project!** You could do this independently, or together with a friend. Remember to ask an adult for help if you need to! Follow the QR code for some project ideas. 

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.



KIDS FEBRUARY HALF TERM CLUB



KIDS HOLIDAY CLUB IN A SAFE & WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT!
 FUN, EXCITING ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN
 5-11 YEARS
 9AM - 3.30PM
 EARLY DROP OFF & LATE PICK UP AVAILABLE

Monday 16th Tuesday 17th

Wednesday 18th Thursday 19th February

MAKE NEW FRIENDS, TRY SOMETHING NEW & HAVE SO MUCH FUN!

Leamington Hastings COFE Academy

Birdingbury Road, Hill, Rugby
 Warwickshire
 CV23 8EA

- ✓ Performing Arts
- ✓ Themed activities
- ✓ Multi sports
- ✓ Team building
- ✓ So much more...

BOOK NOW



More Information

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BUILDING CHURCH

WEDS 11TH FEB 3.45PM

ALL SAINTS LEAMINGTON HASTINGS

