



St. Leonard's CE (A) First School Newsletter


Friday 8th September 2023

'From a tiny spark to a bright flame'



'In him was life; and life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness'. (John 1:4-5)

Executive Headteacher of St Leonard's CE (A) First School / Executive Principal of Manifold C of E Academy: Mrs Kelly Stanesby Chair of Governors: Mrs Sue Hey and Rev Jane Held: Designated safeguarding lead: Mrs Kelly Stanesby, Deputy safeguarding leads: Mrs Julie Amos and Miss Torr

Monday 11 th September 2023	Full uniform
Tuesday 12 th September 2023	PE kit
Wednesday 13 th September 2023 Welly Wednesday 	Welly Wednesday PE kit
Thursday 14 th September 2023	Full uniform
Friday 15 th September 2023	PE kit

Your lunch menu for the 11th September 2023 - 15th September 2023

Monday 11 th September 2023	Tuesday 12 th September 2023	Wednesday 13 th September 2023	Thursday 14 th September 2023	Friday 15 th September 2023
Vegetable lasagne, rainbow vegetables	Chicken paella, sweetcorn and green beans	Roast chicken, mashed and roasted potatoes, carrots and cabbage	Chicken meatballs and pasta, cabbage and peas	Fish fingers, chips and peas or beans
Ice cream	Apple and pear crumble with custard	Jelly	Banana custard	Chocolate shortbread

Welcome back!

Welcome back to school!

We hope you all enjoyed a wonderful Summer holiday despite the weather which has typically been glorious this week!

The children have settled in beautifully into their new classes with their new teachers and, as usual, have behaved perfectly.

We are looking forward to lots of creative, fun and exciting learning this year once again, starting with this term's learning quest " Fabulous farming".



Happy Birthday!

A very Happy Birthday to Ezme who celebrates her birthday this week.

We hope you have a fabulous day!



School photographs

School photograph packs will be distributed early next week. All order details will be included on the pack.

The deadline for orders is Thursday 21st September.



Well Done!

A very big well done to Olivia and Dylan who received their Blue Peter badges. They have already worked and applied for the next Blue Peter green badge!



James, Olivia and Eleanor F have all completed the Summer reading challenge. They received certificates and medals from the library.



Eleanor wants to raise money for Parkinson's UK and for the school by doing a sponsored bike ride.

She would love it if her friends joined her.

Dates and times are yet to be arranged but if your child would like to be involved or sponsor Eleanor please let us or Nicola Falder know.

This is Eleanor's second fund raising activity, the first being when she donated her hair to The Little Princess Trust.

Well Done Eleanor, you are an inspiration!

Thanks for your support!

Well Done!

Well Done to Zara won first prize at Ipstones agricultural show for the "Best pet" with her bunny " Snowy!"



Here is Ezme; "Proud Peacock" face showing off rosettes she won in the Ipstones horse show. She won for "Best turned out" "Longest main and tail" and " Best coloured pony".



Corah-Rae achieved her 10 metre and stage 3 swimming certificates too!



Well Done to everyone who have clearly been very busy over the holidays!

Random reading

Your random reading spots have been fabulous over the Summer holidays and very random indeed!

Here is Dylan at Legoland, the top of the Blackpool Tower, in the dressing room and managers' seat at Manchester City's stadium and reading to his mum his nana, his great nan and great great nan.



Emily read her book on holiday next to The Bayeux Tapestry in France and in Normandy at the Azeville battery (part of the Atlantic wall)



Random reading

Olivia enjoyed reading her book on a buggy and enjoyed reading about the animals at Twycross Zoo.

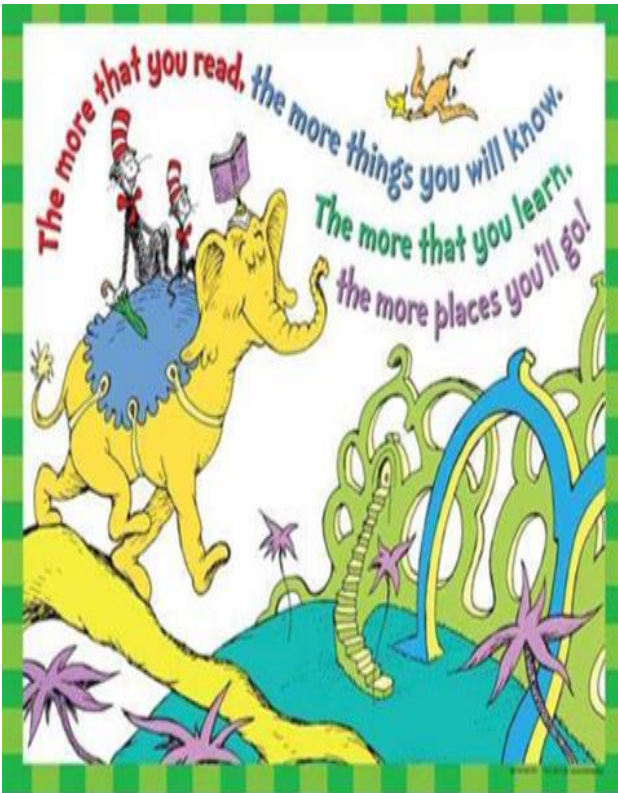


Charlie's random reading spot was at Animal Kingdom in Florida!

He enjoyed reading about the hippos and gorillas!



Reading Raffle!



Be a winner in St Leonard's Reading Raffle!

Every time our pupils read at home they can collect a reading raffle ticket for our prize draw each Friday. At the end of each half term pupils reading at least 3 times consistently each week will be invited to a special tea and cake event on the last day of term.

Be in it to win it!

Comedy Night

Half the proceeds go towards the school fund. Please support this event if you can.

Raffle tickets will be available to buy in school or contact Denise Rowe.

Thank you.

A colorful poster for a comedy night. The background is yellow with pink and blue accents. At the top, a pink banner reads 'Join in the Fun and Laughter'. Below it, a blue banner says 'Funhouse Comedy Presents a 'Comedy Night'' and a grey banner says 'in Ipstones'. A central illustration shows a smiling yellow character with its mouth open, surrounded by a circular pattern of 'HA HA HO HO'. A pink star is visible in the background. At the bottom, a blue banner says 'Cancer Research & Ipstones 1st School', a yellow banner says 'Friday September 15th 7.30pm', and a pink banner says 'In the Memorial Hall'. A list of bullet points is on the left, and contact information is in the middle. A small blue box at the bottom left says 'All proceeds to:'.

**Join in the Fun
and Laughter**

**Funhouse Comedy
Presents a
'Comedy Night'
in Ipstones**

- **Great line up of professional comedians!**
- Tickets £12 (over 18's only)
- Bring your own drinks
- Splendid raffle prizes

For info and tickets contact Denise on
07739179722 or denise_rowe1@yahoo.co.uk

All proceeds to:

Cancer Research & Ipstones 1st School
Friday September 15th 7.30pm
In the Memorial Hall

Stay and Play

We would like to invite our new Reception children parents in to school on Tuesday 19th September from 9.00am - 10.00am to "Stay and Play".

This will be an opportunity to see what your child is learning and to get involved, as well as to meet other parents and chat informally to the teaching staff.

Please email Mrs Amos on the office to advise if you can make it.

We look forward to seeing you and I'm sure the children will be very excited too!

office@st-leonards-ipstones.staffs.sch.uk



Open Evening

We are hoping to hold our evening on Tuesday 26th September from 6.00pm for prospective parents and children. We would love for the children to show any visitors around and need volunteers to do so. If your child is interested in helping out on the night please let us know.

Please pass on the date to any parent you may know whose children are due to start school soon. We are very proud of our little school and love showing it off!

Further details to follow.



National online safety

Like a lot of digital services, live streaming really found its niche during the pandemic - think of Joe Wicks' at-home fitness classes, Billie Eilish's virtual gigs and Miley Cyrus' chat show, for example. Real-time broadcasting of video content over the internet isn't solely the province of celebrities, however: anyone with a device and something to say (or show) can take part.

With platforms such as YouTube, Facebook, TikTok and Twitch all offering routes to a vast online audience, young people have enthusiastically taken up the baton - streaming on subjects from gaming to sports to live shopping (yes, really!). Potentially having strangers among one's viewers, though, is just one of many concerns.

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about LIVE STREAMING

Live streaming involves broadcasting and watching videos online in real time, often on social media or via platforms like YouTube and Twitch. Viewers can interact through comments, chats and reactions during the broadcast: such instant engagement makes this an exciting way to share experiences, learn from others and build digital communities. Despite the many positives, live streaming also creates a potential platform for unsuitable content and poses some risks to children: it's essential to keep privacy and safety in mind and comply with each site or app's age restrictions.

AGE RESTRICTION
13+
16+ 18+
Age varies by platform

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

LACK OF AGE VERIFICATION
Despite their age restrictions, some platforms don't require proof of age at sign up - meaning that anyone can register for an account (and potentially pretend to be older or younger than they actually are). In many cases, this means that young live streamers can never be totally certain exactly who they are broadcasting to and who is engaging with their live stream.

DISCLOSING PERSONAL INFO
A characteristic of live streaming is the ability for videos to be instantly shared worldwide. Without the correct privacy settings enabled, a child could inadvertently reveal personal information or their location, making them vulnerable to online predators or identify theft. It's wise to regularly check the privacy settings (and what data is being shared) on any apps your child has signed up for.

ANYTHING COULD HAPPEN
As the video streams are live, children might encounter (or inadvertently share) inappropriate content. Most live-streaming apps have rules to prevent this and monitor their services, also providing report buttons where content can be flagged for review. It may not be dealt with instantly, however, meaning that your child could be further exposed to harmful content during a live stream.

UNAUTHORISED RECORDINGS
Each live streaming platform stores completed videos for different periods (Twitch saves broadcasts for 60 days, for example, while Facebook and YouTube remove them only at the creator's request). Deleting a video, though, doesn't always stop it from being shared: in some cases, streams have been illegally recorded (or screenshots taken) by certain viewers and redistributed on other sites.

ROGUE CONTENT CREATORS
Children can also watch other people's live streams, which could potentially contain anything at any time (such as nudity, drug use or profanity). Most apps claim to monitor live streams and will stop any that don't adhere to their guidelines - but with millions of streams per day, it's complicated to regulate them all, so children could be exposed to inappropriate content without parents knowing.

DANGER OF GROOMING
There are increasing reports of children being coerced into performing "suggestive acts" by strangers on some live-streaming apps. Due to the lack of verification required for certain apps, almost anyone can sign up to these services (including anonymously or under a fake identity). It's vital, therefore, to ensure the correct safety measures are in place before your child begins live streaming.

Advice for Parents & Carers

PUT PRIVACY FIRST
Through the streaming app's settings, switch your child's account to 'private', so only their friends and followers can see their broadcasts. You could also turn off the live chat, shielding your child from any upsetting comments - although viewers' feedback is often seen as an integral part of the fun. Identify any nearby items (such as school uniforms or visible landmarks) that could give away your child's location.

MANAGE MULTISTREAMING
Some apps and sites let users stream their content through multiple social media platforms at once. A broadcast on SteamYard, for example, can be shared on YouTube, Twitch, X and Facebook if the accounts are linked. The privacy settings can differ on each of these, so we'd suggest only streaming via one platform at a time to maintain greater control over who's watching your child's videos.

GET INVOLVED YOURSELF
Research suggests a significant number of streams show a child on their own, often in a supposed safe space like their bedroom. If your child wants to live stream, ask if you could be present because you're interested in how it works. You could even set up your own account to gain a more detailed knowledge of what your child talks about in their live streams - and who they're broadcasting to.

TALK ABOUT LIVE STREAMING
Try to start with positives before discussing potential risks. You could ask which live streaming apps your child likes and how they use them. Do they just watch streams or create their own? Explain why it's unwise to reveal personal information while streaming (even to friends). If you feel your child's too young for live streams, explain your reasoning to them and perhaps agree to review this decision in the future.

CONSIDER THEIR ONLINE REPUTATION
As the broadcasts are live, it often causes the misconception among young people that whatever happens in their video simply 'vanishes' once the stream ends. However, videos can stay online indefinitely or be recorded by other users. It's important that your child understands what they do and say in a live stream could potentially damage their online reputation and, quite possibly, be seen by prospective future employers, colleges or universities.

Meet Our Expert
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Dates for the diary

Tuesday 19th September - 9.00am - 10.00am - Reception parents Stay and Play

Tuesday 26th September - 6.00pm - Open evening for prospective parents and children

Friday 29th September - 2.00pm - Harvest Service

Tuesday 3rd November - 9.00 - 11.00 - Reading workshop

Tuesday 10th November - Flu vaccinations

Tuesday 10th November - 10.00am - Remembrance service

Friday 27th October - 9.15am - Parents invited to Celebration Assembly at Ipstones Methodist chapel.

Week commencing 6th November - Parents' Evening TBC

Friday 24th November - 2.00pm - Advent service

Friday 1st December - Christmas trip to The New Vic Theatre to watch The Nutcracker

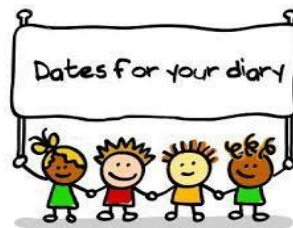
Thursday 7th December - Christmas show at The Memorial Hall

Thursday 14th December - Christmas trip to the National Adventure Farm

Friday 22nd December - 9.15am - Christingle service

More dates and confirmation to follow.

Dates may change.



Attendance



Attendance target - 96%

This week's attendance -100%

Wraparound care

At the end of last year we communicated changes to the wraparound care charges.

Whilst we realise the importance of providing such care for parents we simply could not sustain the costs which were coming directly out of our school budget (the Government does not provide any additional funding for schools to implement wraparound care clubs).

We do hope you understand that to enable the clubs to continue there needed to be a price increase.

Here is the updates price list;

Breakfast Club: 7.30am-8am start: £4

8am onwards start: £3

After school: 3.15pm-4.15pm: £4

3.15pm-5.15pm: £9.25

3.15pm-6pm: £13.20

You will need to book one of the above for your child if you require wraparound care.

If any of the above sessions are required, these need to be booked through email: Crooks.E@st-leonards-ipstones.staffs.sch.uk

We will endeavour to be as flexible as possible with booking dependant on staff ratios at that time.



2023 - 2024 Term dates

Autumn Term 2023

Inset day: Monday 4 September and Tuesday 5 September

Term starts: Wednesday 6 September

Holiday: Monday 30 October - Friday 3 November

Inset day: Monday 6th November

Term ends: Friday 22 December

Holiday: Monday 25 December - Friday 5 January

Spring Term 2024

Inset Day : Monday 8 January

Term Starts: Tuesday 9 January

Holiday: Monday 12 February – Friday 16 February

Term Ends: Friday 22 March

Holiday: Monday 25 March – Friday 5 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 31 March

Summer Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday 8 April

May Day: Monday 6 May

Holiday: Monday 27 May – Friday 31 May

Term Ends: Friday 19th July

Holiday: Tuesday 23 July – Friday 30 August



Sparks

Here is our wonderful new reception class:

Maggie, Lily, Elijah, Ava, Autumn, Eleanor, Romily, Bella, Lilly, and Jaycee.



Flickers

Flickers class were busy collecting blackberries on Welly Wednesday.

They did a fantastic job and collected enough fruit to be able to bake crumble with Mrs Goldstraw.



They have also been recreating the work of artist David Hockley



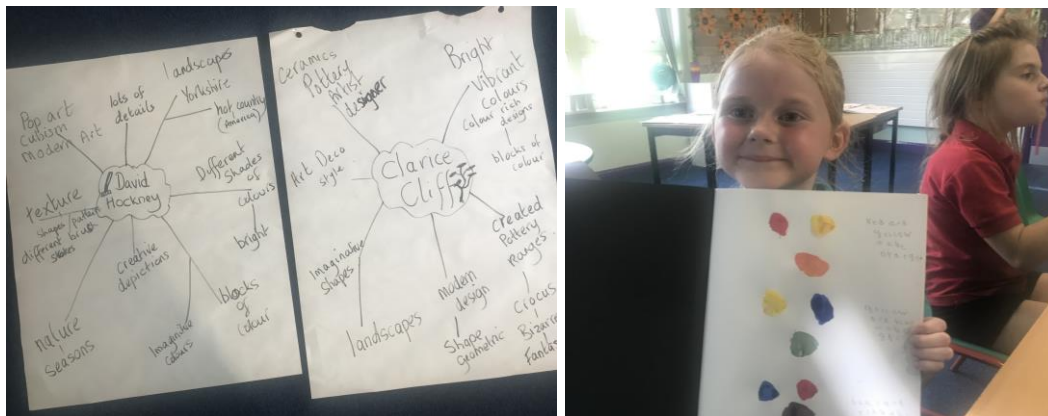
Flames

Flames started the week with a bit of origami!

They made little versions of themselves out of card and inside the cards they wrote about what they wanted to get better at this year. For example, Rosa wanted to get better at History.



They have been learning about the artists David Hockney and Clarice Cliff. They studied their work and wrote descriptions of each artist's style. They then did some colour mixing to recreate the vibrant colours used in these artists pieces.



They have also been learning where our food comes from, farms, grown on land, from the sea and dairy.

