



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


Friday 17th March 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 20 th March 2023	Full uniform 10.00am - Mrs Stanesby and Mrs Amos - Finance meeting
Tuesday 21 st March 2023	Full uniform
Wednesday 22 nd March 2023 Welly Wednesday 	Welly Wednesday PE kit AM - Mrs Amos, Mrs Crooks, Mrs Stanesby - meeting at Manifold Primary School
Thursday 23 rd March 2023	Full uniform Installation of defibrillator
Friday 24 ^h March 2023	PE kit

Your lunch menu for the 20th March 2023 - 24th March 2023

Monday 20 th March 2023	Tuesday 21 st March 2023	Wednesday 22 nd March 2023	Thursday 23 rd March 2023	Friday 24 th March 2023
Pizza, wedges, carrots and peas	Chicken Korma, peas and carrots	Roast chicken, mashed and roasted potatoes, carrots and cabbage	Beef bolognaise	Fish fingers, chips, beans and peas
Ice cream	Flapjack	Oatie biscuit	Cake slice	Ice cream

Star Awards



Congratulations are sent out to the following children who won Star Award's this week:

Headteacher's Award	Eleanor B
Star of the Week Sparks	Eleanor B
Star of the Week Flickers	Olivia
Star of the week Flames	Rosanna
Spark to a flame Sparks Class	Darcy
Spark to a flame Flickers Class	Annie
Spark to a flame Flames Class	Lili
Mrs Amos award	Flickers class
Cook's Award	Jack C

Mothering Sunday Church Service - Sunday 19th March.



Parent's Consultation Evening

We would like to invite you to attend your child's parents' evening on Tuesday 28th March from 3.30pm - 6.30pm. Mrs Appiah's appointments will start at the earlier time of 1.30pm. This will be a chance for you to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their progress, learning and attainment.

The appointments are 15 minutes long and can be made via the school website;

<https://www.stleonardsfirstschoolipstones.com/book-online>

If you cannot make the date of 28th March or wish for a longer appointment to discuss your child's progress please contact the school office to make alternative arrangements.



Mother's Day

Thank you to all who attended our Mother's Day afternoon tea on Thursday.

The children were thrilled to see you in school.

They crafted flower brooches which Mrs Goldstraw had crocheted (thanks so much Mrs Goldstraw).

The Mums and Grandmas then had a cream tea and the afternoon was finished off with the children singing

"Don't forget"....(to tell your mum you love her) to their guests.

Thank you also for all the lovely tombola gifts. We made £61 for our school fund.



Attendance



Attendance target - 96%

This week's attendance - 97%

Year 3 / 4 residential trip to Gulliver's Kingdom

This year's residential trip is taking place at Gulliver's Kingdom in Matlock Bath.

This will be a different kind of residential trip for our year 3 and 4 children, who usually visit Laches Wood, but equally as enjoyable and lots of fun!

The trip will take place from Tuesday 6th June to Thursday 8th June.

More details will follow next week.

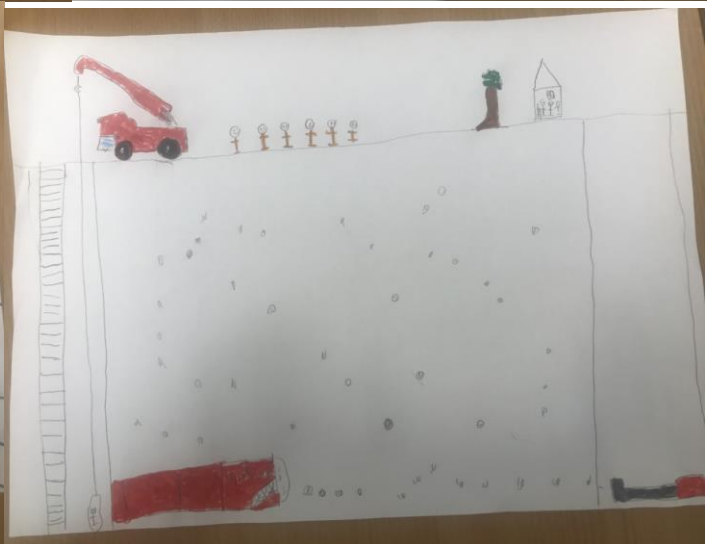
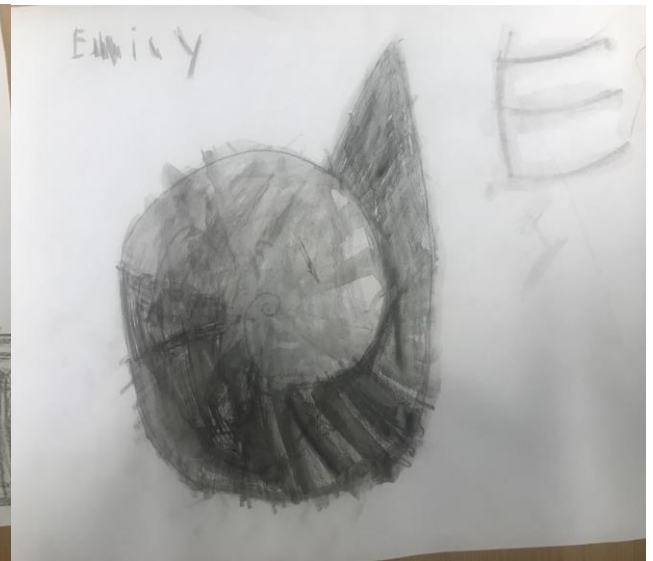


Drawing competition

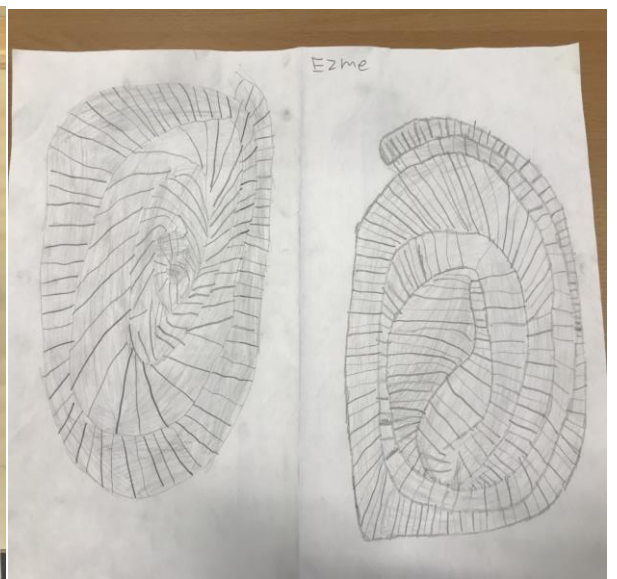
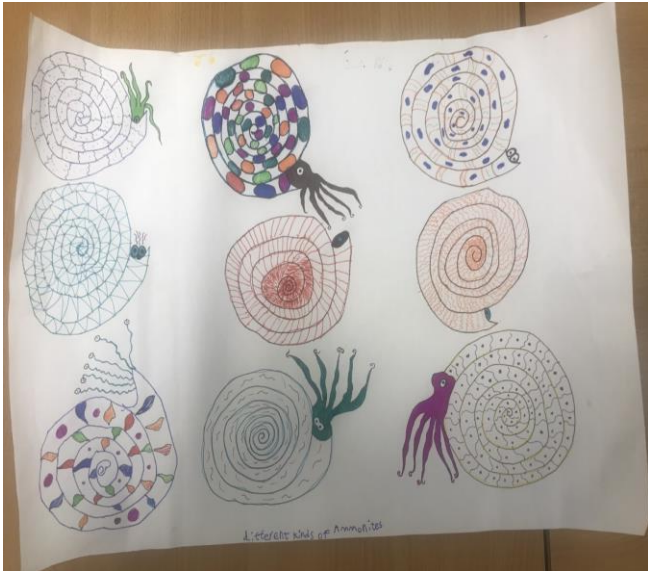
We have received some amazing entries so far for Mr Richardson's competition to draw a civil engineering / fossil inspired picture.

The closing date for entries is today (Friday 17th March) and the winners will be announced on 24th March.

Here are the brilliant entries so far.



Drawing competition continued:



Dates for the diary

Spring Term 2023

Term ends - Friday 31st March

Easter holidays - Monday 3rd April - Friday 14th April

Summer Term

Term starts - Monday 17th April

Thursday 20th April - Class, graduation and leavers photographs

May Day - 1st May

Coronation celebration at Manifold Primary School - Friday 5th May

King's Coronation bank holiday - Monday 8th May

Tuesday 9th - Thursday 11th May - Year 3/4 Residential trip to Gulliver's Kingdom

Term ends - Friday 26th May

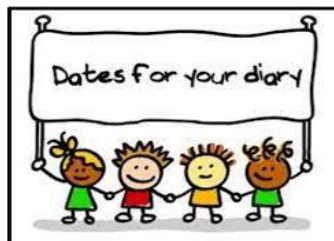
Term starts - Monday 5th June

Tuesday 6th June - Thursday 8th June - Year 3/4 Residential trip to Gulliver's Kingdom

Thursday 22nd June - Victoria Hall concert

Term ends - Friday 21st July

The list of dates is not exhaustive at this time of the year . We will, of course, keep you up to date.



Wraparound care

Unless we hear otherwise, we will assume that your wraparound care needs for your child will remain the same next term. If there are any changes, please contact Mrs Crooks.

Please could you ensure all outstanding bills are cleared by Friday 31st March 2023. This is the end of our financial year, so it is imperative that there are no outstanding balances.

Thank you.



Sparks

Sparks class have been learning about the life cycle of a plant in their Science class. They started their journey as a seed and acted out how they grew in to a plant.

They have been learning about "The Easter Story." They role played Jesus riding on a donkey surrounded by his disciples shouting "Hosanna!"

They then made the shape of the cross with their bodies.



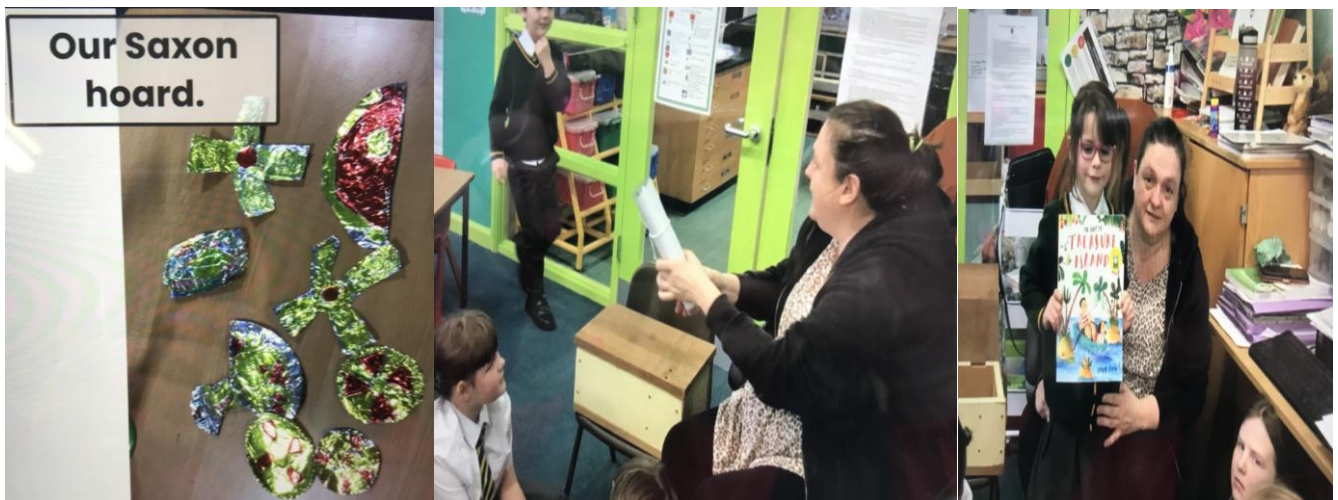
Flickers

Carrying on this term's learning quest of "Tremors and Treasures" Flickers class have made their own "Staffordshire Hoard." They used the same technique to create their lovely Mother's Day cards too. We hope you liked them!

They finally opened the treasure chest that they found by following their treasure map. They took a look at what was inside. They found a picture, a book and parrots!

They have been reading "Treasure Island" and spotting vocabulary, punctuation, conjunctions and adjectives.

On Welly Wednesday they made a sound map. They stood quietly on the school field and listened for sounds and drew what was making the sound on their noise map.

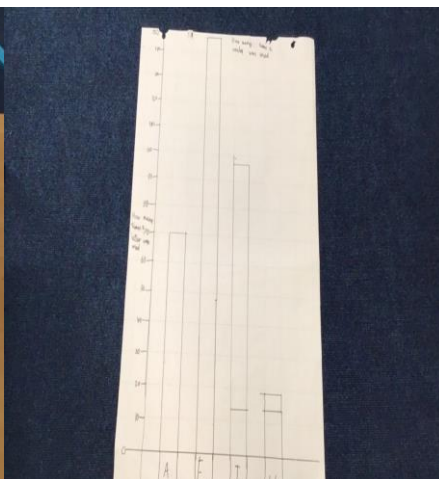
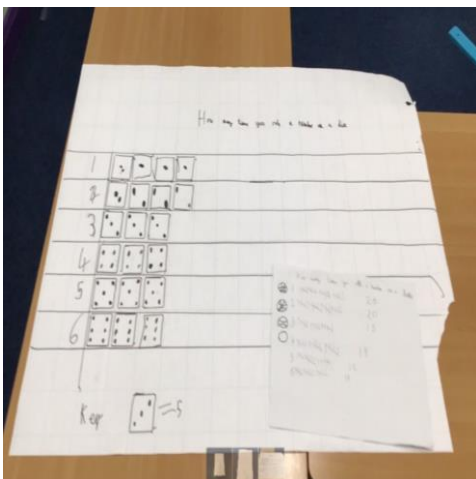
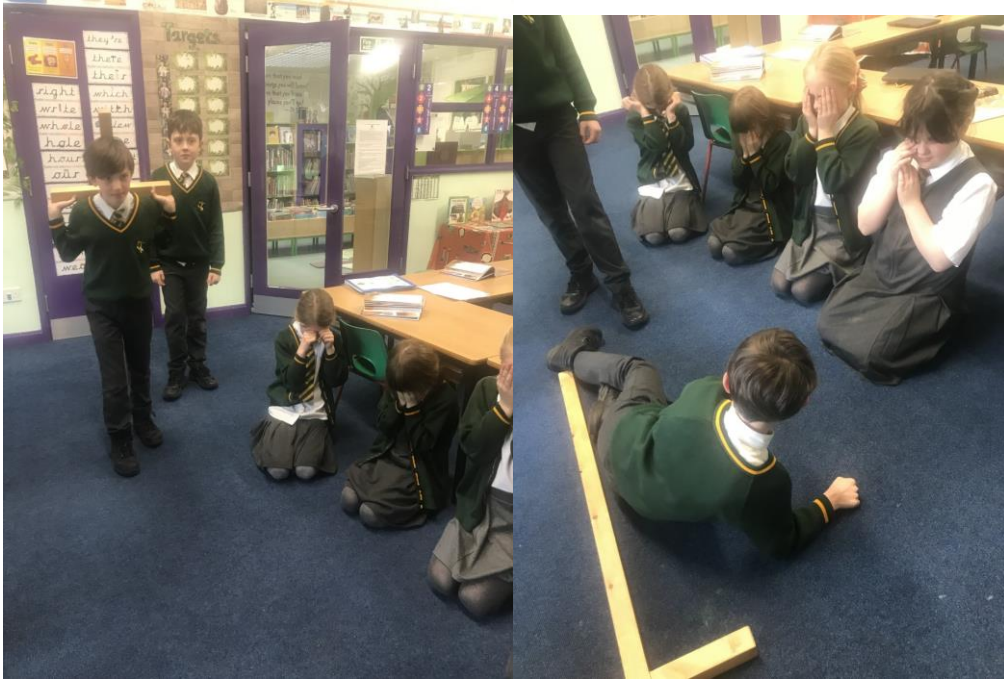


Flames

The children are learning about The Easter Story this term. This week Flames class were re-enacting what happened on Good Friday.

They made beautiful Mother's Day and Nan cards for Mothering Sunday by blow painting with straws. They enjoyed it so much they are going to be creating some original artwork using this method.

Lastly, they have been working hard in Maths on pictograms and bar charts.



Happy Mother's Day

Wishing you a lovely Mothering Sunday.

We hope you all get spoiled!

You all deserve it!

