



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


Friday 6th October 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 9 th October 2023	Full uniform
Tuesday 10 th October 2023	Full uniform Flu vaccinations
Wednesday 11 th October 2023 Welly Wednesday 	Welly Wednesday PE kit 1.00pm - Mrs Stanesby, Mrs Amos, Mrs Crooks - Finance and Health and Safety meeting meeting
Thursday 12 th October 2023	Full uniform
Friday 13 th October 2023	PE kit

Your lunch menu for the 9th October 2023 - 13th October 2023

Monday 9 th October 2023	Tuesday 10 th October 2023	Wednesday 11 th October 2023	Thursday 12 th October 2023	Friday 13 th October 2023
Pizza mac and cheese rainbow vegetables	Pizza and potato wedges, sweetcorn and green beans.	Roast of the day, mashed and roasted potatoes, carrots and cabbage	Chicken, broccoli and sweetcorn pasta bake, carrots and swede	Fish fingers, chips and peas or beans
Ice cream	Peach and pineapple crumble and custard	Jelly and pineapple	Chocolate mousse with mandarins	Iced shortbread

Star Awards



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

Headteacher Award	Bella
Star of the Week Sparks	Bella
Star of the Week Flickers	Charlie
Star of the week Flames	Kallum
Spark to a flame Sparks Class	Maggie
Spark to a flame Flickers Class	Darcy
Spark to a flame Flames Class	Ursula
Mrs Amos award	Rosanna
Cook's Award	Charlie

Happy Birthday

A very Happy Birthday to Autumn and Maggie who will be celebrating their birthdays this weekend and next week.



Well Done

Well Done to Ezme who achieved her stage 1 swimming certificate.

Great job Ezme.



Tiny Tots 50th Anniversary Celebrations - Sunday 8th October - 10am - 1.00pm



Welly Wednesday

On Welly Wednesday the children made bird feeders to help feed the birds over the coming colder months.

They used fir cones, lard, seeds and raisins. They all took them home to hang in their gardens.



Welly Wednesday



World Mental Health Day 2023

On Tuesday 10th October it is World Mental Health Day.

Its aim is to spread awareness about mental health and the importance of looking after it! The day is a chance for everybody to talk about mental health and emphasise how important it is to reach out if you're struggling.

World Mental Health Day 2023 is an opportunity for people and communities to unite behind the theme 'Mental health is a universal human right' to improve knowledge, raise awareness and drive actions that promote and protect everyone's mental health as a universal human right.

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/our-work/public-engagement/world-mental-health-day>



Dress in blue day - Friday 20th October 2023

On Friday 20th October the children are invited to come to school dressed in blue to support Eleanor F's sponsored bike ride in aid of Parkinson's UK charity and St Leonard's school fund.

Please could you bring in a £1 donation.

All funds received will be split between the charity and school.



Well Done

Well done to Eleanor, Zara and Ezme participated in their Rainbows fundraising walk on Saturday, walking 4 miles from Ramblers Retreat to Denstone. This was to raise funds for their Girl Guiding unit.



October Tour '23
BIG BOUNCE
Huge Indoor Inflatable Play Event
Ideal for 2-13 Year Olds

SUNDAY 15TH OCTOBER
BROUGH PARK LEISURE CENTRE
Brough Park, Leek ST13 6AT

SATURDAY 28TH OCTOBER
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Allen Street, Cheadle ST10 1HJ

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The Open Centre - Faith Trail

The children will be visiting the Faith Trail at The Open Centre in Derby on Thursday 26th October.

The trip is payable on Parentpay and costs £6.70.

If you would like to order a school packed lunch please complete the link below;

The deadline for ordering is Monday 16th October.

<https://forms.office.com/e/dBahvGBifa>



Attendance



Attendance target - 96%

This week's attendance - 99%

Please remember to let the school know before 9.00am if your child will be absent from school.

If your child has suffered from sickness and/or diarrhoea, they must remain absent from school for 48 hours after the last time they were sick or had diarrhoea.

Wherever possible please try to arrange dentist and doctors' appointments out of school hours. We appreciate this is not always possible but it does affect your child's attendance.

Weekly attendance reports are produced and any persistent absences or a low attendance rate will result in communication from the school to ensure all is well and offer any assistance if required.

Thank you.

Harvest Service

Thank you once again for all your very kind donations for the community harvest baskets.

St Leonard's church was very grateful. These will be distributed to the elderly community of Ipstones.

The children attended a Harvest church service on Friday. They sang Harvest songs and read readings confidently in front of their peers and attending parents.



Parent's Consultation Evening

The date for the parent's consultation evening has been confirmed as Monday 6th November 2023 from 3.30pm until 6.30pm.

Fifteen minute appointment slots are available to book online via the school website,

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

This is under the "Parents" tab on the front page and "Book online" in the drop down list.





OCTOBER SportFest

Bishop Rawle CofE Primary School

Royal Walk, Cheadle, ST10 1QA

09:00-15:30

| Half-Day & Wrap-Around options available

Come and join us for some sports, games and activities from October 30 - November 03.

Our action-packed program gives children the chance to remain active, develop skills and make new friends within a safe and secure program.



We are inclusive!

We value the importance of accommodating children who have come to us from different backgrounds. We aim to provide an environment where everyone is challenged and given an enjoyable experience.

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Visit: www.asmsports.co.uk

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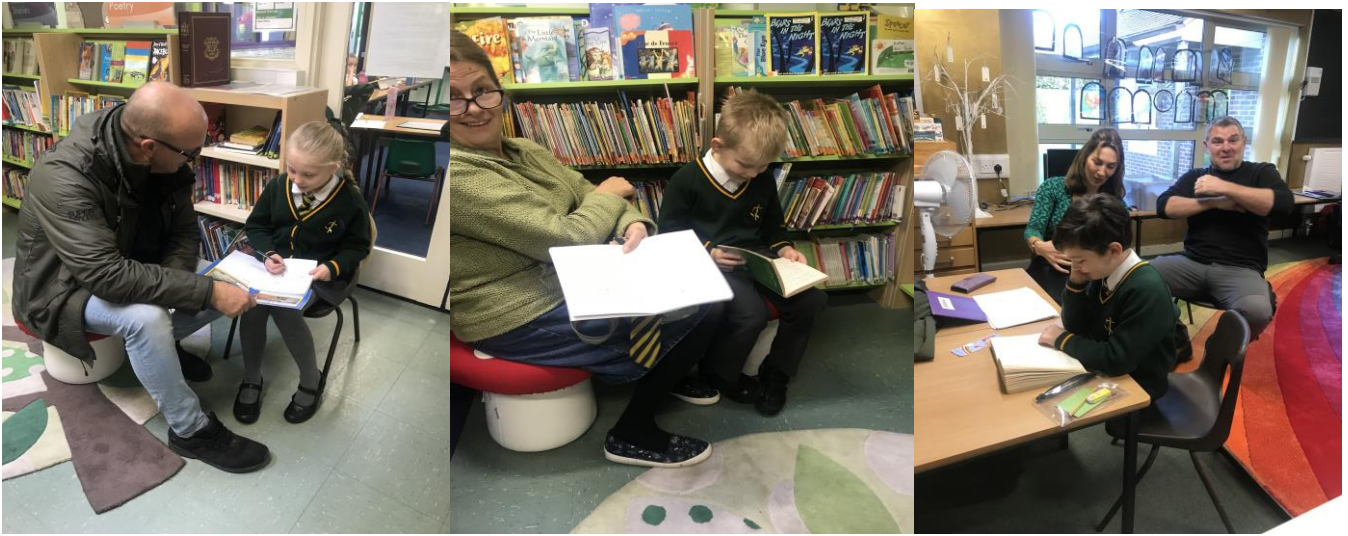
From
£12.50
per day



Reading Workshop

Thank you so much to all who attended the Reading Workshop on Tuesday. We hope that you found it informative and helpful.

The children certainly enjoyed their parents coming in to school.



The online world and digital technology has become such a significant part of our lives - and integral to so many aspects of our daily routine - that we shouldn't be surprised at the degree of influence it can wield over what we think and how we feel. Many experiences that young people have on the internet are hugely positive and uplifting ... but sadly, that's not always the case.

Negative incidents online - such as disagreements with other users, stumbling across upsetting content or feeling left out by friends - can be intensely damaging to a child's emotional state. Our #WakeUpWednesday poster has some useful tips for young people and trusted adults on how even small, simple actions can help to protect our wellbeing when we're on the internet.

Looking After Your WELLBEING ONLINE

We all know that taking care of our minds and bodies is essential to keep us feeling happy and healthy. The thing is, we spend so much of our time online these days that it's also important that we remember to look after ourselves in the digital world, too. Our poster has got some simple but useful tips for supporting your wellbeing while you're gaming, on social media or just using the internet.

TAKE CARE WHAT YOU SHARE!

CHECK YOUR PRIVACY SETTINGS

AVOID COMPARING YOURSELF TO OTHERS

TRACK YOUR SCREEN TIME

TAKE BREAKS

REPORT INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

PAUSE BEFORE YOU POST

BLOCK BULLIES

SPEAK UP AGAINST HARMFUL BEHAVIOUR

STAY ACTIVE OFFLINE

BE KIND & BE CAREFUL

GO TECH FREE BEFORE BED

NOS National Online Safety® #WakeUpWednesday

LOOK FOR POSITIVE COMMUNITIES

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Dates for the diary

Tuesday 3rd October - 9.00 - 11.00 - Reading Workshop

Tuesday 10th October - Flu vaccinations

Friday 20th October - Dress down day (dress in blue)

Tuesday 24th October - Reception Height and Weight checks

Thursday 26th October - The Derby Faith Trail

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

Monday 6th November - Parents' Evening

Friday 10th November 10.00am - Remembrance service

Friday 17th November - Dress down for Children In Need

Friday 24th November - 2.00pm - Advent service

Friday 24th November - Ipstones Lights Night

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

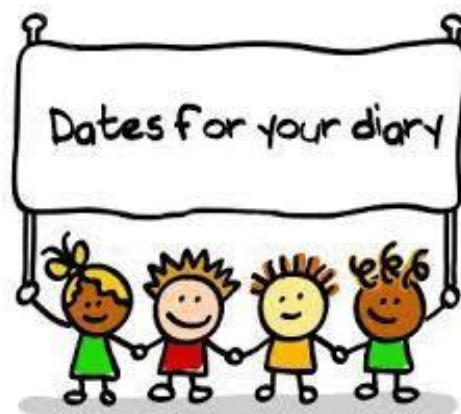
Thursday 7th December - Christmas show at The Memorial Hall

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.



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

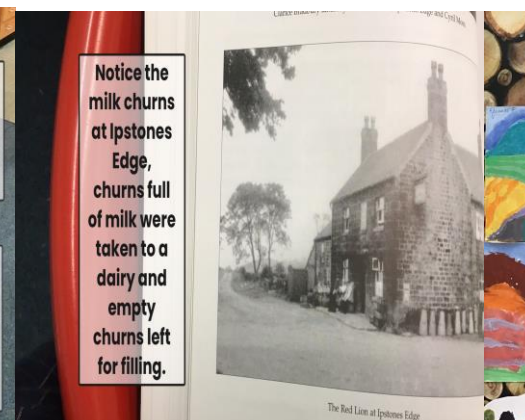
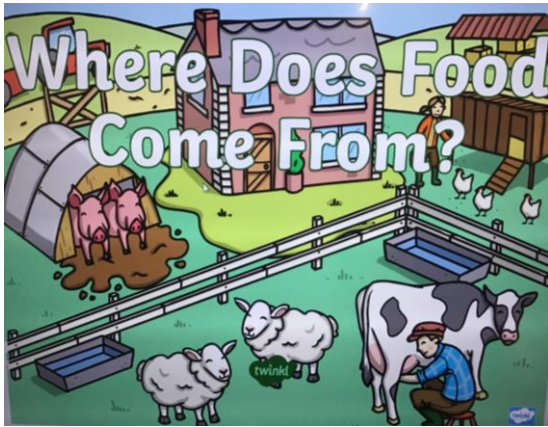
This week Sparks class have been making Autumn wands using sticks and leaves. They have been learning more about farms and have been painting farm pictures.

They have done some amazing writing, which has earned phone calls home, and Maths, learning about twos. They counted eyes, ears, knees, legs, shoulders, hands and toes.



Flickers

Flickers class have been talking about where food comes from. They matched different food types to their sources. Mrs Goldstraw talked to the children about farming in the past and brought in an old milk churn and an old photograph for the children to look at. Their wonderful David Hockney inspired paintings are also now on display.



Flames

Flames class have been experimenting with different textures and painting tools this week. They used toothbrushes, sponges, paintbrushes and rubber stamps to recreate David Hockney paintings.

