



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

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022

'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)*

Headteacher: 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

### Weekly Diary

<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2022</b>	School closed - Bank holiday for the funeral of Queen Elizabeth II
<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2022</b>	Back in school Full uniform Governors and volunteers safeguarding level 1 training
<b>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022</b>  Welly Wednesday  	Welly Wednesday all day, all pupils - PE Kit
<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2022</b>	Full uniform  9.00am - 10.00am - Reception class stay and play
<b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2022</b>	PE kit

### Your lunch menu for the 19<sup>th</sup> September 2022 - 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2022

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Bank Holiday	Sausage, mash, broccoli and peas	Roast gammon, roast and mashed potatoes, cabbage and carrots	Cottage pie, sweetcorn and green beans	Fish fingers, chips and peas or beans
	Shortbread	Crunchy chocolate biscuit	Chocolate brownie	Ice cream

## Star Awards



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

Headteacher award	<b>Olivia</b>
Star of the Week Sparks	<b>Sam</b>
Star of the Week Flickers	<b>Ezme</b>
Star of the week Flames	<b>Ewan</b>
Spark to a flame Sparks Class	<b>Eleanor B</b>
Spark to a flame Flickers Class	<b>Annie</b>
Spark to a flame Flames Class	<b>Rosanna</b>
Cooks award	<b>Sam, Sophie, Darcy, Eleanor, Zara and Elise</b>
Mrs Amos award	<b>Eva</b>
PE Award	<b>Jack S, Taya, Oscar and Nina</b>

### Special assembly for the Queen

On Wednesday Reverend Jane visited to talk to the children about the passing of the Queen.

She showed them her "Sorry stone" which she holds to her heart if she is feeling sorry about something and how this makes her feel better.

The children then said a prayer to say they hope the Queen has a happy time in heaven with her husband and mum and dad.



### Reception class - Stay and Play

At St Leonard's our aim is to create a happy and secure environment where children will develop confidence and eagerness to learn.

We recognise that, as parents, you are an important educator in your child's life.

On Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September we are inviting Reception class mums, dads, partners, grandparents and parents etc, to stay and play from 9.00am to 10.00am.

Stay and play sessions give you the opportunity to see your child interact with other children and learn through play in a relaxed environment. There will be activities for parents to take part in and ideas for learning at home through play. You will also have the opportunity to find out about school life and ask questions to the teachers.

There will also be tea and cake!

We look forward to seeing you.



### Playground refurbishment

We are pleased to say that the last part of the children's playground (the area outside the staffroom window) is being refurbished this week. The area is currently occupied by a large bush and concrete. This will be replaced with a toadstool table and chairs and artificial grass to protect little knees a bit more. The refurbishment should be completed early next week and will finish the playground off nicely.



## Gardening club

On Thursday Mr Brightman, Eva, Zara, Ezme, Corah-Rae, Olivia and Eleanor F attended worked hard in gardening club digging up their crop of delicious organic red potatoes. They collected them all in a wheel barrow and then parents were invited to take some home with them for their tea!



## National Online Safety

With the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the UK lost its longest-serving monarch and a sovereign who calmly but firmly guided the country through some challenging times. As the nation, the Commonwealth and the wider world mourns the passing of a true stateswoman, we look back on The Queen's eventful reign with this commemorative timeline.

Young people may be intrigued to see from our poster some of the major - and quirkier - events that unfolded during Queen Elisabeth's rule, from the end of wartime rationing and the rise of television to England's 1966 World Cup win and the Olympics coming to London.

# The extraordinary life of QUEEN ELIZABETH II

**1926**  
Princess Elizabeth is born in London.

**1945**  
Towards the end of World War II, 18-year-old Elizabeth joins the Auxiliary Territorial Service and trains as a driver and a mechanic.

**1947**  
Princess Elizabeth marries Prince Philip, an officer in the Royal Navy.

**1948**  
The princess gives birth to her first child, a boy named Charles who will grow up to be King.

**1953**  
The new Queen is crowned at Westminster Abbey – the first coronation to be televised. Sales of TVs soar as many families buy one for the first time to watch the ceremony. The eventual worldwide audience is around 277 million.

**1966**  
Her Majesty is at Wembley to see England beat West Germany (as it was called before the Berlin Wall came down) 4–2 in the World Cup final, presenting the trophy to victorious captain Bobby Moore.

**1967**  
Britain and the Commonwealth celebrate the Queen's silver jubilee (marking 25 years on the throne). A chain of beacons is lit around the country, and thousands of street parties are held.

**1977**  
Having ruled for 53 years, Queen Elizabeth becomes the longest-reigning monarch in British history – overtaking her great great grandmother, Queen Victoria.

**2015**  
The nation celebrates the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with more events and street parties. Sadly, however, Her Majesty's health declines and she passes away months later, aged 96. After 70 years of rule, Queen Elizabeth II leaves a legacy of lasting affection and respect from people not only in the UK, but around the whole world.

**2022**

### Did you know?...

**Rest well, Your Majesty – and thank you.**

The Queen received her first Corgi, Susan, as an 18th birthday present. She loved that breed of dog throughout her life, going on to own another 30 of them.

As Britain was still recovering from the effects of the war, the young Princess Elizabeth had to save ration coupons to buy the material for her wedding dress!

The Queen took the unusual step of inviting a TV documentary crew into Buckingham Palace in 1969. This let people see the Royal Family in a way they'd never been able to before.

In 1982, a mentally ill man broke into the palace and reached the Queen's bedroom! Reports suggest Her Majesty calmly kept him talking for 10 minutes until the security team arrived.

It was Queen Elizabeth who, in 1993, decided to open up Buckingham Palace to visitors from the public for the first time.

To help launch the 2012 Olympics in London, Her Majesty featured in a short film where she meets super-spy James Bond, as played by Daniel Craig.

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### St Leonard's free uniform bank

Even though it may not be required at present as the children have all just had new uniforms we just wanted to remind you that we have an abundance of spare school uniform all totally free! There are cardigans, jumpers, shirts, skirts, trousers, PE tops in all house colours, PE hoodies and PE joggers.

Whether it's just for spare, your child has had a growth spurt or they have lost an item of uniform please just ask and we can check what we have and what sizes and send home.

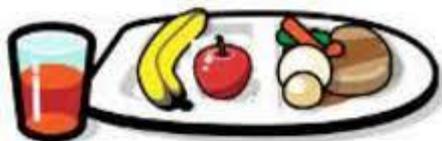


### School dinners

Just a reminder that the price of school dinners will increase to £2.60 on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September.

No action is necessary from parents. The details will be changed on Parent pay.

School Dinners



## Sparks

This week Sparks class have been working hard on their letters and numbers, practising writing them and using them in words.

They have been making stars in keeping with this term's Space Explorers learning quest and they have also been making love hearts to reflect our school values, **Respect**, **Endeavour**, **Curiosity** and **Love**.



They have been introduced to our school pet guinea pig, Toffee. They had a little cuddle too!



## Flickers

Flickers Class have been recreating the art of Kandinsky, a Russian painter credited as one of the pioneers of abstract Western art. They all made their own display of concentric circles.



They have also been reading the book "Beegu".

"Beegu is from another world and somehow gets lost on Earth. Lonely and confused, she wanders off to a nearby city to find some friends. But the only friendly people she comes across are the children, while the big Earth creatures just don't seem to understand."

Flickers have been using Morse code to translate what Beegu has been saying and using speech bubbles to write down what they think she would say after landing on Earth.



## Flames

This week Flames class have been learning Roman Numerals up to 20. On Welly Wednesday they used sticks to create the numerals.



They have also been practising their line drawings using pen and studied Picasso's constellation drawings. They recreated their own and using a water colour wash to paint them.

