



St Leonard's Newsletter

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May News



A half term which began with a certain amount of unwelcome distraction is ending with our focus on everything that matters; namely, your children's education.

May is the month when key assessments take place. In the coming weeks, teachers will be writing the reports which you are due to receive on 6th July.

Thanks to the many of you who've taken the time to comment on our recent sports days. Apologies for not being able to attend the junior event; it was one of THOSE days! The infant event was enjoyable and proved that, with one more intake before we're fully two forms of entry in our infant department, it is better to have separate infant and junior events so that children are actively participating rather than spending ages watching others. Thanks to all the staff for their hard work and to those of you who came to share in the events.

I have no update to give you in relation to our membership of the Diocesan Trust. This is no cause for concern, however, as I am not expecting any news until the end of next week at the earliest.

We do try to give parents important information at the earliest opportunity and we know that you appreciate this. As such, may I draw your attention to the calendar giving you details of the dates for our Christmas productions - if only to prove that on converting to an academy, Christmas will still happen!!!

Next half term will see the introduction of the latest virtual reality equipment being used to support learning across the curriculum. If you want to preview just some of the opportunities that are going to be available to your child, then visit <http://redboxvr.co.uk/>

Staff and governors are keen to ensure that we're forward looking and at the forefront of new developments, particularly in technology - so we're excited at the prospect of successfully developing this capability.

In thanking you for all your support this half term, I'd like to wish you all a fantastic break.

Best wishes,

Simon Jackson,
Head Teacher

Coffee Morning

Everyone Welcome



Our June coffee morning will take place in the Keegan Centre between **09:00 – 10:00** on **Friday 8th June**. Please note the change of day due to timetabling issues for the previous day.



SATURDAY 30TH

JUNE

12:00PM - 3:00PM



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School Family Barbeque

We would also like to celebrate a highly successful school year with parents and families. As such, please place



Thursday 12th July in your diaries, when we will be hosting a lunchtime family barbeque prior to our informal parent walkabout when, amongst other things, you get the opportunity to meet your child's teacher for the following year. Details of this event will be published in due course.

School Collaboration

You may be interested to read that one of our objectives following on from our Ofsted last year was to share expertise widely with others. As such, many educators have visited us since, from Swindon to the Maldives, for a variety of reasons such as Early Years provision and IPC learning. We're welcoming a Surrey school after half term in a shared RE day and, before the summer break, 30 Italians will be visiting (they're not in the World Cup - so it's safe to invite them!). It's great that your child's school is held in high regard.

Reception Admissions

A meeting for new Reception parents will take place at 6:00pm on Thursday 14th June. Please do not bring your child to this meeting. If you have not yet had a tour of the school, please telephone the school office and we can arrange for this to happen.

School Uniform

It is fine for children to wear winter or summer uniform. Please note that the Summer uniform is as follows:

Boys

Grey (not black) shorts or trousers
White long or short sleeved shirt (tucked in!!!)

School tie (jumper optional)

Girls

Blue and white chequered summer dress
Please note, boys and girls are required to wear black shoes / sandals. No open toed shoes are to be worn. Girls are not allowed to mix and match winter and summer uniform - therefore socks but not tights must be worn with the summer dress.

Please help us to create and maintain a smart appearance.

School Uniform Ordering Information

There is a link via the home page on the school's website marked



where you can now order uniform online. Alternatively, visit www.schooltrendsonline.com then select 'Parent or Student find your School' and follow the instructions.

Dates for your Diary



Forthcoming events

New events are highlighted yellow.

Tues 12th June	<i>Class Photographs</i>
Thurs 14th June 6:00pm	<i>Meeting for Sept 2018 Reception parents</i>
Wed 4th July	<i>Year 2 to London Transport Museum</i>
Fri 6th July	<i>Year 5 to Thames Explorer</i>
Thurs 12th July	<i>Lunchtime BBQ & Walkabout</i>
Wed 18th July	<i>End of Year</i>
Wed 5th Dec	<i>KSI Nativity</i>
Thurs 6th Dec	<i>KSI Nativity</i>
Tues 11th & Wed 12th Dec 6:00pm	<i>KS2 Production</i>

Attendance

Our target is 97% for each class. Our whole school percentage is disappointingly at 96.34%. Please note your child's class.

Attendance by Class

RG - 96.13%	2S - 96.36%	6S - 95.78%
RV - 95.33%	3B - 97.38%	
IA - 96.46%	4C - 96.91%	
IG - 97.34%	5W - 96.24%	

A high level of attendance is absolutely vital for all pupils. You are reminded that no holiday requests will be authorised at any point in the school year.

Pupils should attend school when suffering from a cough or a cold, but not if suffering from sickness or diarrhoea.

Our registers are checked on a termly basis by the Local Authority. As such, parents may be contacted by an attendance officer if their child's level of attendance causes concern.