

# St Leonard's Newsletter

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"Nurturing Faith & Inspiring Success"

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## March News



This half term in our acts of worship, we've explored aspects of the #LiveLent series of reflections produced by the Archbishops of Canterbury & York.

This involved looking at different weekly themes using John's Gospel. This Holy Week, the theme is *journey*. As a community, we travel with Jesus, not just witnessing his physical journey but the emotional one also. We've learned that to follow Jesus is not so much about following a set of rules but an attempt to journey with him through the story of his life and by doing so, become the best that we can be.

All schools attempt to encourage children to realise their potential. However, as a distinctively Christian school, we attempt to nurture that potential for a purpose which will serve others as well as well as oneself. We travel this journey as Christian brothers and sisters rather than just learners. A hymn we often sing in school, especially at this time of year has the following two verses included:

*We are pilgrims on a journey,  
and companions on the road;  
we are here to help each other  
walk the mile and bear the load.*

*I will weep when you are weeping;  
when you laugh I'll laugh with you;  
I will share your joy and sorrow,  
till we've seen this journey through.*

Wherever you are on this journey,  
I wish you well this Easter.

**Simon Jackson,**  
Head Teacher



There are two services over the Easter period especially suitable for children and you would be warmly welcome to them:

**Good Friday 10am (30 mins)** – A children's service followed by Hot Cross Buns and refreshments.  
**Easter 10am** – All Age Eucharist & Easter Egg hunt for the children.



*Wishing you a blessed and joyful Easter.*



**ST LEONARD'S CHURCH,  
STREATHAM**

## No End of Term Eucharist in Church

Unfortunately, due to other commitments we are unable to celebrate our end of term Eucharist in church and share this with families on this occasion. We will be having a Eucharist in school, but due to space restrictions, we are unable to invite families into school. We sincerely apologise for any disappointment which this may cause.



## School Discos



Discos will be taking place this  
**Wednesday 28th March**

Infants 3:30pm - 4:45pm

Juniors 5:00pm - 6:30pm

Junior children may not stay behind in school after lessons. They must leave the premises as normal and return for 5:00pm.



A reminder that we break for Easter at

**2:00pm**

on **Thursday 29th March** and  
return for the summer term on

**Monday 16th April.**



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## Additional Closure

The school will be closed on **Thursday 3rd May** as it is being used as a polling station for the local elections taking place on that day.



## Dates for your Diary

## Forthcoming events



New events are highlighted yellow.

**Mon 23rd April** St George's Day (see adjacent column)

**Tues 24th April** 3B to Tate Modern

**Thurs 3rd May** School Closed  
(local election)

**Mon 7th May** School Closed (Bank Holiday)

**Mon 14th May -  
Thurs 17th May** KS2 SATs Week

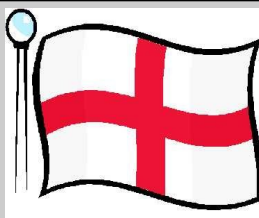
**Thurs 17th May** Reception to Ladyland Farm

**Mon 28th May** Half Term

## St George's Day



On **Monday 23rd April**, we would like to celebrate this day by reflecting the variety of nationalities that make up our school.



As such, children are invited to attend school wearing one of the options listed below.

- ♦ A St George outfit (minus sword...and dragon)
- ♦ Red and white clothing
- ♦ Any national costume which is represented in the child's family

**Please note that football shirts, whether club or country, are not to be worn as part of this event. There is no cost involved with this celebration.**

## Sports Days



**Juniors - Friday  
18th May 1:30pm**

**Infants - Wed  
23rd May 1:30pm**  
**Tooting Bec  
Athletics Track**

## 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.

## Attendance

Our target is 97% for each class. Our whole school percentage has dropped to 96.61%. Please note your child's class.

### Attendance by Class

RG - 96.12% 2S - 96.58% 6S - 96.49%

RV - 95.41% 3B - 98.34%

IA - 96.32% 4C - 97.19%

IG - 97.06% 5W - 96.17%

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.

### 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](http://www.schooltrendsonline.com) then select 'Parent or Student find your School' and follow the instructions.

## Staffing Update

Sadly, Mrs McMaster will be leaving us at Easter to return to Scotland. We thank her and wish her well. However, I'm pleased to state that Miss Greenhall will be returning to our staff team.