

# St Leonard's Newsletter

Available to view online at  
[www.st-leonards.lambeth.sch.uk](http://www.st-leonards.lambeth.sch.uk)  
"Nurturing Faith & Inspiring Success"

St Leonard's C of E Primary  
School  
Mitcham Lane, Streatham  
SW16 6NP

Issue 84

March 2019



## March News



In this month's newsletter, I'd like to draw your attention to some key dates.

Firstly, our annual St George's Day celebration on the first day of the summer term (see adjacent column). Also the summer term dates column on the second page which includes the date for sports day.

Our summer uniform is listed on page 2 also. Please refer to this or the uniform page on the website before buying summer clothing and footwear over the holiday; it's the best way to avoid the need for difficult conversations!

Finally, many thanks for the support you've given the school this term. I'd like to wish you all an enjoyable Easter break.

Best wishes,  
**Simon Jackson,**  
Head Teacher



## Church Services for Holy Week & Easter

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.

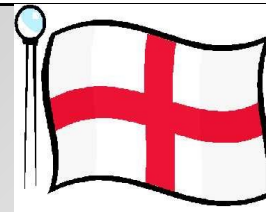
**Easter Sunday 10am** – All Age Eucharist & Easter Egg hunt for the children.

## No End of Term Eucharist in Church

Our end of term Eucharist will be taking place in school on the last day of term. Due to space restrictions, we are unable to invite families into school on this occasion. We sincerely apologise for any disappointment which this may cause.



## St George's Day



**Tuesday 23rd April** is the first day back after the Easter holiday and is also St George's Day. 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.**

## Attendance

Our target is 97% for each class. Please note your child's class. The whole school attendance is currently 96.90%.

### Attendance by Class

|             |             |
|-------------|-------------|
| RG - 95.87% | RV - 96.51% |
| 1A - 96.07% | 1G- 95.61%  |
| 2G - 97.13% | 2S - 97.75% |
| 3M - 96.35% | 4K- 97.84%  |
| 5B - 97.59% | 6W - 98.34% |

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. This includes requests to visit relatives in other countries.

Pupils should attend school when suffering from a cough or cold, but not if suffering from sickness or diarrhoea. Registers are checked each term by the Local Authority, so parents may be contacted by an attendance officer if their child's level of attendance causes concern.



## Follow us on Twitter

## School Uniform

As the better weather hopefully appears 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

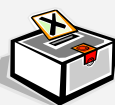
Please note, boys and girls are required to wear black shoes / sandals. In the interest of children's safety, no open toed shoes are to be worn.

**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.

## Just in case...

Please be aware that in the event of the UK being required to participate in this year's European elections, it is possible that the school could be closed on **Thursday 23rd May** for use as a polling station.



## Mr Pizzoferro

After what will have been 39 years in the profession, 25 of them served here at St Leonard's, Mr Pizzoferro has announced that he is going to be retiring at the end of December 2019.

Mr Pizzoferro's time at St Leonard's has been marked by outstanding service, loyalty and commitment and I'm sure that you would like to both acknowledge and thank him for all that he has done (and still does) for this school.

Having given such advanced notice, there is plenty of time for us to prepare for the forthcoming transition affecting the school's leadership and management. Equally, there's plenty of time for us to consider ways of celebrating the contribution made by one of the school's most dedicated and popular figures. Christmas will be extra special this year!

## Dates for your Diary



## Forthcoming events

The dates of all the major events for the Autumn term are listed below. New events are highlighted yellow.

**Thurs 4th April** Class Photographs

**Tues 23rd April** Summer Term begins

**Mon 6th May** Bank Holiday - School Closed

**Mon 13th May - Thurs 16th May** KS2 SATs week

**Fri 17th May** Sports Day

**Mon 27th - Fri 31st May** Half Term holiday

**Sat 29th June** Summer Fair

**Wed 3rd July** Nursery trip to Wisley

**Wed 10th July** Summer BBQ

**Thurs 18th July 2:00pm** End of Term

## Coffee Morning

Everyone Welcome



Our April coffee morning will be between **09:00 - 10:00** on **Monday 1st April** in the Keegan Centre.



A reminder that we break for Easter at **2:00pm** on **Friday 5th April** and return for the summer term on **Tuesday 23rd April**.



## Sports Day



**Friday 17th May**

**Juniors 9:30am**

**Infants 1:30pm**

**Tooting Bec**

**Athletics Track**

**Parents Welcome**