

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







'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: Mr Stephen Clancy

Designated safeguarding lead: Mrs Kelly Stanesby, Deputy safeguarding leads: Mrs Julie Amos and

Miss Torr



CAREERS WEEK Monday 2nd March 2020 9.15am - Academy photography 3.00pm - Parents engagement group 3.30pm - 4.30pm - After school sports club Tuesday 3rd March 2020 Enrichment day - Careers and talents 9.00am - 12.00pm - Yr 3 & 4 Mini medics course 3.30pm - 4.30pm - After school STEM club Wednesday 4th March 2020 Lunch time Design and Technology club run by pupils Welly Wednesday 3.30pm - 4.30pm - Rugby Tots last session. Miss Torr out on training - AM Mrs Amos out of the office - AM, back in PM. Thursday 5th March 2020 World Book Day - dress in your pyjama's or as a dragon and bring a pillow! Miss Torr - Out of school on Safeguarding training all day. 3.30pm - 4.30pm - Gymnastics Friday 6th March 2020















School Attendance

School attendance for this week is 96% which is equal to our target of 96%.

Reception 100% Sparks
Year 1 and 2 93% Flickers
Year 3 and 4 94% Flames

Your lunch menu for the 2nd March - 6th March

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pizza, wedges, peas	Sausage, mash and green beans	Roast chicken, mashed potatoes, roast potatoes and broccoli	All day breakfast	Fish fingers, chips and beans or peas
Angel delight	Sponge and custard	Shortbread	Jam tart and custard	Crunch chocolate biscuit

Well Done!

There are lots of congratulations for fabulous achievements this week!

Well done to Isla C who gained her orange belt in karate this week.

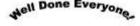
Caitlin was awarded her red belt in karate

Leo passed his stage 5 swimming

and

Amelia also passed her 100 metres swimming badge.

Well Done to everyone!





Gymnastics

If your child is attending gym club on Thursday please could payments be made before it the club starts.

The cost for 5 weeks is £25 and Mrs Mellor is accepting cash payments only.

Mrs Mellor is hoping to run this after school club all year round if the children enjoy it.

Thank you.



World Book Day

Thursday 5th March is World Book Day.

This year our theme is "Zog", the Julia Donaldson book about a keen young dragon in his first years at dragon school.

Children are invited to dress up in pyjamas or dragon costumes to celebrate the theme of the day.

The Cheadle and Tean Times will be visiting at 10.00am to take photographs for the newspaper.

World Book Day is a much loved day in the school year and millions take part.

It is a day to celebrate the power of books and reading.

Thanks to all who took part in our sponsored read back in December we have taken delivery of some beautiful Usbourne books, which fit in with our creepy castles and dangerous dragons topic, funded by the sponsor money you raised.

Thank you again for all your support!



SATS workshop

There will be a Year 2 SATS information session with Mrs Mellor on Thursday 12th March at 9am.

The workshop will cover what the papers look like, what the children will be assessed on and how to help your child.

Please could you drop Mrs Amos a quick email to advise if you can make it;

office@st-leonards-ipstones.staffs.sch.uk



Pancake Day races

This week the children have been learning all about lent and making their own lent promises.

On Tuesday they took part in Pancake Day races, whilst also enjoying eating lots of them too.

They all had a "flipping good time"!









Mothers day meal

Our Mother's day lunch is on Friday 20th March from 12.00pm - 1.00pm.

Please could you ensure that if you are bringing a guest that they are on the list in reception also.

We are looking forward to treating you!



Donation from Stanley Gould

We would like to thank the kindness and generosity of the late Stanley Gould and his family, who have donated £500 to the school.

The money will be spent on equipment for our forest school activities, such as canopies and a crock pot which we plan to have engraved to commemorate Stanley's legacy.

We feel very lucky to have a community like our village that cares about our school and the children.

Thank you to Stanley's family for thinking about us at such a difficult time.



Swimming

The children will start swimming lessons after the Easter break for summer terms five and six.

Their first lesson will start on Monday 20th April until and continue until Monday 6th July.

If your child needs to wear goggles please could you send in a letter authorising this.

St Leonard's fund swimming lessons out of the school budget. This is a significant cost, however we feel it is an important skill for our pupils.

Please try to support us by ensuring your child is excused from swimming only if absolutely necessary.



National Online safety

Security in the online world has never been more important. Hidden apps are growing in popularity and can be a really discreet way to evade intrusion and to hide personal photos and videos from prying eyes. But why would young people want to use them? How secure are they? And how would adults know if their children are using them? Find out with this guide.



Social media, online gaming, direct messaging. It's now easier than ever to communicate with others online, make new friends, pass opinion and display our feelings. But should we stop and think sometimes? Can we neglect how we make others feel? And do we forget just how important being kind is?



Enrichment Day

On Tuesday 3rd March we will be holding an enrichment day focusing on careers.

Careers Week is an exciting opportunity to help raise children's aspirations and broaden their horizons by bringing volunteers from the world of work into school.

The children will receive talks from various professionals on the day including a nurse, a hairdresser, an author, and a fireman.

There will be careers discussions, role play and the staff will be sharing their career aspirations from when they were younger.

Our Year 3 and Year 4 children will be taking part in a mini medics course and will be learning basic first aid training which could save a life.

The Cheadle and Tean times will be here to take pictures and report on it in the newspaper.



Our PE coach

We thought we'd introduce you to our ASM PE coach Ross.

Ross teaches PE to the whole school on Friday afternoon in two sessions.

Ross has worked for ASM for a year and the children thoroughly enjoy his PE lessons. The PE activities change termly and can be anything from football, rugby, tennis, dance, athletics and cricket.







Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

How serious is the coronavirus?

- it can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- the infection is not serious for most people. including children
- there is currently no vaccine
- most people get better with enough rest. water to drink and medicine for pain

How likely are you to catch the virus?

- you can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- the chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- if you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas

How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

If you need to cough or sneeze





















Try not to touch your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands







Stop germs spreading with our e-Bug resources on hand and respiratory hygiene lesson plans for KS1, 2 and 3: campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools

What should you do if you feel unwell?

Keep away from others and stay at home to stop the infection spreading. Avoid public transport if you think you have symptoms of coronavirus. If you become unwell at a place of education, tell a member of staff and let them know if you have travelled to any other countries in the last 14 days.

If your staff member or parent thinks you have symptoms of coronavirus, they should call NHS 111 for advice. Follow the UK Government advice for childcare or educational settings gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19. Parents can visit NHS.UK to find out more information. Teachers and support staff should follow the UK Government advice.

Staff, students and publis who have returned from Iran, specific lockdown areas in northern Italy, special care zones in South Korea or Hubei province China (returned in the past 14 days) should self isolate, and NOT attend education or work for 14 days. See NHS.UK for advice on coronavirus.

If there is an emergency, call 999 immediately



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