

Weekly Newsletter Friday 5th May 2023

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Dear Parents and Carers,



It has been a short but very busy week as ever!

Coronation

In Worship the children have been learning about and praying for King Charles III ahead of his Coronation. We recognise that not only is he the monarch but also the head of the Church of England. Children enjoyed a Coronation themed lunch and this afternoon

Reception children led our Coronation celebrations with a very informative and delightful 'show' recounting what will happen at the ceremony on Saturday and we concluded by singing the National Anthem. Children then spent time in their classes learning more about the event and the history of our monarchy, so they are well-informed and ready to watch this weekend!



Sports

Some of our EYFS and KS1 children took part in a non-competitive sports event today that was all about participation and trying something new (curling, football, athletics and dance). They had a great time and represented St. Leonard's so well with great behaviour and enjoyment! They were delighted with their certificates of achievement and stickers. Well done children!

Trim trail

The children have been watching excitedly as our new trim trail, path and shelter has been constructed. Next week, the rubber flooring will be laid and it won't be long until the children can use it.

SATs tests

Next week is SATs week for our Y6 children. Each and every child has made **fantastic** progress this academic year. We are **so** proud of the hard work and resilience they have shown all year – they really are capable of taking the SATs in their stride, and we know they will do us proud and be the best they can be. Lots of rest and relaxation should be had this weekend and no homework!

Have a wonderful Coronation Bank Holiday Weekend - See you on Tuesday 9th May!

Mrs Lindley



This year our Summer Fair will be on Friday 23rd June 3:30-6:00 pm after our sports days. There will be lots of exciting attractions and stalls. More details will follow soon but don't miss the chance to pop the date in your diary!

Educational Visits

There are a number of educational visits that have been organised in the summer term which have been communicated with parents. Thank you for the rapid response and the contributions. As stated in the initial letters, if sufficient funds are not raised, the visits will not be able to take place. If there are outstanding contributions, please contact the office asap.

This Week's Attendance !

W A	Class	% Attendance this week
	Kingfishers	99.6
	Swifts	99.5
	Eagles	99.4

Weekly Highlights

Nursery & Reception Little Lennies' & Blackbirds



This week in Early Years we have been thinking about the Jolly Postman stories. It has been fun to see what happens in these books and the different kinds of writing they show. We have thought about how letters get from place to place and how nowadays, we have lots of ways to communicate with one another.

This week Early Years were asked to do a very important job for our school family - lead our school Coronation celebrations. We taught the rest of school all about this special occasion, sang beautifully, made flags, crowns and acted out our own ceremony, finishing with a tea party afterwards with delicious cake! We have achieved a lot in just four days - well done everyone!

Year 1 & 2 Doves, Eagles & Falcons



What an exciting week we have had in KS1! We have continued to enjoy our English sessions where we have been in the woods to help us write instructions for Little Red to get home safely. We even had our teacher dress up as a wolf! In Science, we are continuing to look after our sunflowers and recording them in our sunflower diary. In Geography, we explored what it is like to live in Africa and see all of the animals that live there! We even got to look at money, clothes and cooking equipment from Namibia, Kenya and Uganda. In PE we have been able to link in our measuring skills to see how far we can all jump from standing and with a run up. Brilliant work this week Key Stage 1!

Year 3 & 4 Herons, Kingfishers & Owls



What a brilliant week we have had again in Year 3 and 4! In Geography, we have continued to learn all about volcanoes and earthquakes, particularly focusing on where most of the world's tectonic activity is located. We explored the Pacific 'Ring of Fire' and some recent eruptions and tremors that have happened in this region. In PE, we focused on mastering our jumping and landing techniques before applying our skills to different athletics activities; we enjoyed getting very competitive! We have also been learning about and exploring the Coronation of King Charles III to prepare for the upcoming moment in history. Well done for another super week of learning everybody!

Year 5 & 6 Robins, Swifts & Wrens



Year 5

This week, Year Five's RE work involved retelling the story of the conversion of St Paul, showing the significance of what his life was like before and afterwards.

PE Included looking more at strategies and tactics in dodgeball, for example, coordinating throws to make it harder for their opponents to dodge. Geography was about the ten steps made by a T-shirt in the journey from the cotton plant to the shops as well as the pros and cons of imported food vs locally sourced food. Spanish and music lessons continued, with a song (To the Sound of Trumpets - Coronation Song) and fanfare for the coronation of King Charles III. Also, some new worship leaders have been appointed to reflect on our experience of worship in school. The children using spelling shed to practise their weekly spellings has dropped off. Please keep practising spellings, using

Reading Plus and improving the speed of recall on TT Rock Stars.

Year 6

This week Wrens have been working very hard in preparation for their SATs test next week as well as having some fun thinking about songs for our show at the end of the summer term. The children continued their work on materials in Science and our local area in Geography. The children enjoyed learning the national anthem in readiness for the King's coronation and had a super PE lesson with Mr Kirkham. I have been really impressed by their positive attitude to learning and the high expectations that they have for themselves. What a wonderful group of children - I am indeed a very lucky teacher. Have a restful weekend and we will see you at breakfast club next week !

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week

	<u>Little Lennies</u> <u>Betsy & Hannah</u>	<u>Blackbirds</u> <u>Molly & Charlotte</u>
<u>Doves</u>	<u>Eagles</u>	<u>Falcons</u>
<u>Alice</u>	<u>Abigail</u>	<u>Maryam</u>
<u>Herons</u>	<u>Kingfishers</u>	<u>Owls</u>
<u>Edison</u>	<u>Megan</u>	<u>Oliver</u>
<u>Robins</u>	<u>Swifts</u>	<u>Wrens</u>
<u>Ismael</u>	Jack	<u>Evie & Ben</u>

Diary Dates

Monday 8th May	Bank holiday for the King's Coronation
Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th May	Y6 SATs Week
Wednesday 17th May	Reception children - parent's session - 'Celebrating Learning Together' 2.30-3.30pm (Letter sent)
Thursday 18th May	Reception children - parent's session - 'Celebrating Learning Together' 2.30-3.30pm (Letter sent)
Tuesday 23rd May	Y3 and Y4 Visit to Museum of Science and Industry
Wednesday 24th May	Y6 transition 'fun' day at St leonard's with Y6 children from local schools Y5 Visit to Manchester Art Gallery
Thursday 25th May	Y1 and Y2 Visit to Blackpool Zoo 6pm - Y6 Information Evening -Borwick Hall residential
Friday 26th May	Break up for half term
Ma	ay Half Term
Wednesday 7th June	8.45 School reopens
Thursday 8th June	Y3 and Y4 Visit to Blackburn Cathedral
Friday 23rd June	Sports Day for all childrenMorning - Early Years and Key Stage 1 Sports Day11am-12pm Boys Football competitionGirls Football competitionAfternoon - KS2 Sports Day3:30 - Summer Fair
Monday 17th July	Little Lennie's Graduation - 2.30
Tuesday 18th July	Reception Graduation and picnic - 9.15 - 11.00
Friday 21st July	Y6 Leavers' Service in Church in the morning
Friday 21st July	1:30pm School closes for the summer holidays

Sunday Services 9.15 Eucharist 10:30 Family Service

Monday 4pm Evening Prayer



Wednesday 12pm Midday Prayers (with light lunch on 1st Wednesday of each month)

Please see our school website for this academic year's term dates. <u>https://www.langho-st-leonards.lancs.sch.uk/parent-info/holiday-dates</u>