



New School Motto

Over the past couple of weeks everyone in school has been deciding upon a new school motto. The last school motto was last seen in 2003 and was 'Caring and Sharing'. We felt it was time for a new motto that everybody could get behind and say that is us. At one of our staff meetings we discussed our values



and ethos and the staff came up with a number of ideas, thoughts and feelings which showed just how much this school meant to them. This was repeated with the children in every class. Following this at the recent full Governing Body meeting again we discussed the school in detail and the Governors looked at the suggestions made by the staff and pupils and they were blown away at all of the ideas. The Governing Body then passed the baton on to the school council. The school council, under the guidance of Iris and Ste voted on their favourite, before it was decided that the new school motto should be:

Together we make a Difference

Road Safety

Why road safety matters - Around 1,400 children aged 0-11 are killed or seriously injured on Britain's roads every year. That's almost 27 children every week! Children need to learn how to cross the road safely. In 2010, around 19 child pedestrians were killed or seriously injured every week in Britain. The Green Cross Code is taught in school but needs reinforcing at home.

1. The Green Cross Code
2. First find the safest place to cross
3. Stop just before you get to the kerb
4. Look all around for traffic and listen
5. If traffic is coming, let it pass
6. When it is safe, go straight across the road - do not run!



Finally can I remind you all that parking on the yellow lines is against law! The speed limit around school is 20mph. Please ensure you do not go above this limit and try to stay well below it. We all have a part to play and any speeding, parking on yellow lines or road rage is not acceptable around our school.

Champions

Congratulations and a big well done to our Year 3 children who recently won the Everton in the Community Netball Tournament. The smiles on their faces show you just how proud they are! Thank you to Mr Daniels for his hard work organising and supporting the team.





New Extension

Our new extension has been completed and we are delighted with the result. The new room gives us plenty of options going in to the new academic year. As you can see it will be an excellent environment for the children to learn and flourish.



Phonics and Reading Training

It was great to see so many of our parents attending Mrs Halligan's Phonics and Reading training. The session has been put on to help you all when supporting your children when reading at home. We all know how important reading is and having a love of reading. Those that read will succeed! We will be having more training events coming up so keep an eye out!



Attendance

Attendance continues to be a disappointment with current school attendance for the year sitting at 94%. We all have a part to play and we urge you all to think carefully before keeping your child off school. We need to ensure everyone is in line at five to nine. Many families arrive at school late which is simply not good enough. On a positive note we have given each class the money they collected for having 96%+ weekly attendance and we have decided that the prizes at the next attendance raffle will be two electric scooters! Remember - **Together we make a Difference**

Dates for the Diary

Date	Event
Monday 11 th - Friday 15 th May	Year 6 SAT's Week
Friday 15 th May	Maths Training Session for Parents
Monday 18 th May	Healthy School Week
Tuesday 19 th May	Showstoppers in the Dinner Centre
Wednesday 20 th May	Year 6 - France Meeting (3pm)
Thursday 21 st May	Own Clothes Day and Cake Sale
Thursday 21 st May	School Closes for 1/2 Term (3pm0)
Wednesday 3 rd June	School re-opens
Monday 8 th June	Reading Week
Monday 15 th June	KS1 Phonics Testing
Friday 19 th June - Monday 22 nd June	Year 6 visit to France

School Website/Twitter and Facebook

To ensure we provide you with up to date information we have lots of different ways for you to get involved. Search for us on Twitter @LeamingtonPri and Facebook, *Leamington Community Primary School*. Our Facebook page has over 334 likes and is updated daily. Make sure you keep visiting our school website which is updated weekly! www.leamingtonprimary.com



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