

Leamington Community Primary School
'Together we make a Difference'
Friendship, Respect, Honesty, Determination and Courage
September 2017



New School Year: New Beginnings

Welcome back to everyone following our summer holiday, we very much hope everyone has had a pleasant and enjoyable time. The children are looking very smart in their new uniforms and shiny school shoes. A special welcome to all of the new children and parents starting at Leamington for the first time, we hope you all have a fantastic association with the school. A new year brings new beginnings and we would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new additions to the team. In Year 4 we welcome Miss Tunstall, in Year 6 Miss Lynch, in Year 3 Mrs Costello and in our Nursery Ms Radford. We would like to wish them every success and welcome them to the Leamington family. Before the summer holiday Mrs Benson gave birth to a beautiful baby boy, Jules, who has settled in well at home. During the holiday Mrs Bland gave birth to her third child a lovely baby boy called Gabriel. We would also like to say congratulations to Miss Aucutt who was married over the summer and will now be known as Mrs Mellor. Mrs Mellor will be acting Deputy HT whilst Mr. Vine is Acting HT.



Leamington Values

As you may have already noticed on the school yard we are launching our new behaviour model based around five core values: Friendship, Respect, Honesty, Determination and Courage. We believe that good behaviour is essential so that children feel secure and learning can take place effectively. Our new policy is aiming to improve self-esteem and confidence through recognition of positive achievements and success. Ultimately this will lead to our goal of every child learning to be self-disciplined. To do this we are introducing a number of new initiatives:

1. The five core values
2. A new PSHE scheme called Jigsaw
3. The Mindful Hour - Every class, everyone, every Friday from 2-3pm
4. A weekly Mindful Assembly
5. A new behaviour policy with updated rewards and sanctions. (Available on our website or from the school office)
6. Split lunchtimes - KS1/EYFS will not be out the same time as KS2.

Building Work

Over the summer we have had a number of building projects going on. The Wi-Fi throughout school has been updated, the yard has been painted, the roof has been fixed, a number of walls have been plastered/painted and our new reception area and safeguarding office have been completed. The new reception area was our biggest project and we are extremely pleased with the finished product.



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Dates for the Diary

Date	Event
Friday 15 th September	Meet the teacher - 9am and 2:30pm
Friday 22 nd September	Non-uniform day - Lucy's Pineapple Fund
Tuesday 27 th September	European Day of Languages
Friday 6 th October	Harvest Festival
Thursday 12 th October	EYFS - Y4 Flu Vaccinations
18 th -20 th October	Y6 visit to Kingswood
Friday 21 st October	School closes at 3pm for the ½ term break
Thursday 2 nd November	Parents Evening
Monday 13 th - Friday 17 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need - Spotty Theme
TBC	Y1 - Y6 School Pantomime trip
Friday 8 th December (TBC)	PTA Christmas Fayre
Wednesday 13 th December (TBC)	KS1 Christmas Productions
Thursday 14 th December (TBC)	KS2 Christmas Production
Friday 15 th December	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Grotto
Monday 18 th December	Christmas Party Day
Tuesday 19 th December	Celebration Assembly
Tuesday 19 th December	School closes at 1:30pm for the Christmas Break
Wednesday 3 rd January 2018	School Opens for Spring Term

Communication

To ensure you receive regular updates and important information, please ensure the office has an up to date phone number and emergency contact numbers are correct. Please keep checking our website which is updated regularly and like us on Facebook for a real insight in to life at Leamington CP. You can also follow us on Twitter and Instagram!

Parking around School

A gentle reminder to anybody that drives to school, recently we have had a number of parents parking across our neighbour's driveways and on the yellow school markings. This cannot continue and the Police/Council have been made aware and therefore will be patrolling at 8:45 and 3pm in the coming weeks.



Attendance

Last year we achieved our highest ever attendance percentage of 96.2% which meant more children were in school learning and therefore making good progress. As we move in to the New Year the governors will be meeting to discuss holidays in term time. We must remind you that all holidays will not be authorised and you will be fined. Only in exceptional circumstances will we authorise a holiday. We will be sending out our new attendance policy in the coming weeks.



OFSTED

On the 4th July we were visited by HMI Inspector Gill Pritchard who inspected the school on the behalf of Ofsted. The full report is available on our website and via Ofsted -

<https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/inspection-reports/find-inspection-report/provider/ELS/133333>

Finally

We would like to take the opportunity to say how excited we are for the coming year. We have lots of fun and excitement planned and we are looking forward to working with you all closely. We are currently in the middle of organising a number of parent workshops which will help you to support your child with their learning. If you have any questions/problems please don't hesitate to phone/pop in and speak to your child's class teacher, Mrs Mellor or Mr Vine.

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