



Reach for the Stars

Leas Park Junior School

NEWSLETTER

Week commencing 21st April 2025

Welcome to our weekly newsletter. We hope you have had a restful and enjoyable Easter break.

Our last week was packed full of Easter events and the Year 5 children had a great time in their Easter crafting sessions at St Edmunds Church.

Look out for an email with details of our new Clubs for this term... coming soon!

Year 5 St Edmunds Easter Crafts

On the last day of term Year 5 were invited to St Edmund's Church to take part in their Easter activities.

We recounted the events of the Easter story and had great fun exploring the church.

The children really enjoyed creating Easter crafts.



Class 4C Golden Ticket Award Winners

4C had an amazing afternoon of fun for our golden ticket £50 prize! They enjoyed some tasty pizza (Miss Canniffe was an excellent chef!) and ice lollies in the sunshine, and then played lots of games, scooted and raced around on their bikes, and generally had a wonderful time laughing together!



Thank you!

A big thank you to all of our Mothers, Aunties, Grandmothers who came to our Mother's Day Breakfasts at the end of last term. It was lovely to see so many of you there. Huge thanks also goes to the kitchen catering staff, office and school staff who make events like these possible. We hope you enjoyed a wonderful Mother's Day.

Forest School

Our Forest School group enjoyed their final session before the Easter holiday. They used their skills to make a fire and roasted some marshmallows. They then made popcorn over the fire. The children absolutely loved it!



Easter Egg Competition

Our Decorate an Easter Egg Competition took place on Friday 4th April and we had an amazing 72 entries! The judges had a very tough time – all of your entries were amazing!

Best Decorated Egg Winners: Y3 - Scarlett B, Y4 - Rory B, Y5 - Bree M, Y6 - Isabelle S,

Lower School - Adela R, Upper School - Lydia W, Overall winner - Niamh G

Well done to all of our entrants! Egg-cellent!



Easter Egg Raffle

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Easter Egg Raffle.

We raised an enormous £369!

Thank you so much for your amazing support.

Our winners were eggs-tremely happy with their prizes!



School Council Bake Sale

Our School Councillors did a fantastic job over the two Parents Evenings, holding our fabulous Bake Sale to raise funds for new play equipment.

We would like to say a big “Thank you” to everyone who made, donated and bought cakes. We had a wonderful array of different types of bakes and they really did fly off the shelves!!

We managed to raise a whopping **£142.90!**

Thank you also to the School Councillors, Miss Lancashire and the other staff who helped make this stall a success!

Scholastic Book Fair

During our recent Parents’ Evenings, we hosted a Scholastic Book Fair and managed to take sales of an outstanding £1049.93!

The more books we sell, the more commission is donated to school .

This enormous amount means we've qualified to receive **50%** of this back in new books for our school, which is fantastic and great news for our children.

Thank you so much for your support!

Pupil Premium Free School Meals

If your circumstances have changed recently and you think you may now be able to claim for Pupil Premium, information on how to apply, can be found at:

[Free school meals and milk | Nottinghamshire County Council](#)

Local Police Beat Surgery

Your local Safer Neighbourhood Team will be at Warsop Town Hall on 13th May 2025 at 18:00hrs for a ‘Beat Surgery’.

Please take this opportunity to come and meet the team, raise any concerns you may have and to find out what we are doing to tackle the issues that matter to you.

Everyone is welcome and it would be great to see you there. For more information please contact me PC 658 CHANCE on liam.chance1@notts.police.uk

Reminders, messages and additional news – please read!!

Waterproof coats

Please ensure your child brings a waterproof coat to school everyday, to keep them protected from the elements during our inclement English weather! All items of clothing should be labelled.

Late collection

If you are aware that you are going to be late to collect your child at the end of the school day, please let us know in plenty of time and **before** the end of school at 3:15pm. When calls are received after the end of school, it is difficult for Reception Staff to get to the classrooms before the children have left.

Changing dinners

Please note that the school office will need **one weeks' notice**, if you wish to change your child from school meals to sandwiches, or vice versa. Thank you.

Pupil Information

Please ensure school have all of your current contact information up to date. If you change your name, telephone number or address, please let school know as soon as possible and ensure that we always have **at least two separate emergency contacts** for your child.

Pupil Lateness and Absence

School starts at **08:45am**. Please ensure your child arrives on time and with all the uniform, equipment, lunch and snacks that they require for their day. If you are going to be late arriving to school, or if your child is not in full school uniform, please contact us on 01623 477629 to let us know why. If you know in advance that your child will not be in or will be late in the following day, the message system regarding pupil absence can be accessed at any time outside of office hours via our telephone number.

If your child needs to be out of school for any reason, please complete a 'Withdrawal from Learning Form' and submit to the school office asap, for authorisation at the discretion of the head teacher. These forms can be accessed via this link: <https://forms.office.com/e/v7wFmYp9J7> or paper copies are available from the leaflet stand in reception.

Illness & Medications

Please find below a handy chart to help when your child is ill on a school day. If you do need to keep your child off school, please contact the school office on 01623 477629 **before 09:00am on the day they are due to be off**.

If you wish for your child to be given medication whilst at school, please complete and submit the form via this link:

[Leas Park Junior School - Permission for School to Administer Medication](#)

All medication needs to be both handed into school and collected, by an adult.

Staff Car Park

Please note the staff car park is for use **by staff only**. We have very limited space and quite often staff need to leave site and return at short notice. Extra vehicles can make manoeuvring dangerous and can also mean that spaces aren't available for staff who need to be here. Thank you for your understanding.

Nut and Fish free school

In line with NCC policy regarding nut allergies, we do not allow any type of nuts including peanuts in school - either in packed lunches or in snacks. This also includes any nut based products including Nutella, other sandwich spreads containing nuts and any cereal bars that may contain nuts.

Also we would like to remind you that Leas Park is a "fish-free" school, and as such we do not allow any fish or fish products in the children's packed lunches or snacks. Thank you for your support.

Snacks

Children are allowed to bring a healthy snack in with them to have during break time, for example fruit or vegetables. Please do not send in grab bags/multi packs of crisps, biscuits or sweets. Please ensure any food sent in to school is both fish and nut free. Thank you for your co-operation.

Jewellery

Children should not be wearing jewellery to school, with the exception of a watch (not a smartwatch) and small stud earrings, which will need to be removed or covered during PE lessons. This is due to Health and Safety and the possibility of loss or damage.

Leas Park Awards

Eco Class



Winner of the Week:

3B



Rapid Wristbands



Class	Name
3B	Esme W
	Grayson E
3P	Ellis N
	Emily C
4C	Spencer K
	Oliver M
4G	Riley-James B
	Missy B
5C	Ellie-Mae B
	Libby H
5H	Maisie P
	Jaxson J
6A	Darcie E
	James S
6P	Ivy G
	Jason N

Dinner Winners



Class	Name
3B	Aubree W
3P	Carter B
4C	Riley L
4G	Ben S
5C	Dorca O
5H	Aiden G
6A	Jared B
6P	Elliott S

Reading Certificates



Class	Name	No. of reads & award given	No. of reads
3B	Louie B	50 reads = Silver	50
3B	Reeva S	75 reads = Diamond	75
3B	Charlotte T	150 reads = Platinum	150
3P	Eden B	150 reads = Platinum	150
3P	Heath R	75 reads = Diamond	75
3P	Francis L	150 reads = Platinum	150
4C	Oliver M	25 reads = Bronze	25
4C	Abigail W	150 reads = Platinum	150
4C	Saffire W	200 reads = Ruby	200
4G	Sadie H	25 reads = Bronze	25
4G	Harry B	25 reads = Bronze	25
4G	Joseph A	50 reads = Silver	50
4G	Amelia C	75 reads = Diamond	75
5C	Mason M	100 reads = Gold	100
5C	Ronnie W	50 reads = Silver	50
5H	Sam P	25 reads = Bronze	25
5H	Ivy T	75 reads = Diamond	75
5H	Evie C	100 reads = Gold	100
5H	Ruby-Leigh H	100 reads = Gold	100
5H	Pyper T	200 reads = Ruby	200
5H	Millie S	200 reads = Ruby	200
5H	Lyla E	200 reads = Ruby	200
6P	Jason N	150 reads = Platinum	150

Thumbs Up!		
Class	Name	Amount awarded
3B	Tafadzwa M	50
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3B	Aubree W	75
3B	Thadsha S	75
3B	Winnie G	75
3B	Gracie H	100
3B	Ethan H	100
3P	Isabelle R	75
3P	Bella G	75
3P	Jasper S	100
4C	Alfie T	50
4C	Ruby R	50
4C	Mia B	75
4C	Ella C	150
4G	Charles C	50
4G	Joseph C	50
4G	Riley-James B	50
4G	Tasmin M	75
4G	Kyla M	75
4G	Patricia J	75
4G	Esme L	100
4G	Ollie S	100
5C	William R	50
5C	Ronnie W	75
5C	Charlie O	75
5C	Stephen G	50



**Well done
to you all!!**

Book Vending Machine

Lower School Winner

Class	Name
4C	Abigail W

Upper School Winner

Class	Name
5H	Logan S



Times Tables Rockstars

4C

Total: 127

Top three highest scorers:

1st:	Amber S
2nd:	Adela R
3rd:	Chloe W

4G

Total: 133

Top three highest scorers:

1st:	Missy B
2nd:	Freddie R
3rd:	Beau B

Winner of the Week

4G!



Shout Outs			
	Class	Name	Reason & From
Shout out! 	3B	All of 3B	For being amazing during their swimming lessons! It was wonderful to hear how well you all did and knowing that you all made so much progress. From Mrs Bills
	4C	All of 4C	For sharing such a lovely afternoon of fun together for our golden ticket prize - it was so lovely to see you all playing so nicely together, we had such a fun time!
	5H	Millie S	The best act of kindness that Mrs Parker has ever seen at playtime. What a lovely girl you are!
	6A	Jacob M	Showing true sportsmanship like behaviour at the end of lunchtime, shaking hands and ending the game on a high! Well done! Mrs Liptrot

Attendance Awards

The Attendance Award for w/c 31/03/2025 goes to **Class 4C** with **98.3%**

Please follow this link to our current Attendance Policy for more information: [School Policies | Leas Park Junior School](#)

The whole school attendance this academic year to date is **95.3%** - the national target is **96%**!

Please help support us in raising our attendance!

Dates for your Diary

Please see below our main 'diary dates' so far for this academic year. We hope this will help with your diary planning.

****Please note these dates are subject to change and if this should be the case we will give as much notice as possible****

Inset Days:

Monday 28th July 2025

Tuesday 29th July 2025

Tuesday 22nd April 2025 - FIRST DAY BACK AT SCHOOL

Thursday 24th - Friday 25th April 2025 - Year 5 Ilam Hall Residential Trip

w/c 28th April 2025 – Year 6 Mock SATs week

Thursday 1st May 2025 - Year 3 Roman Day with Partake History Theatre in school

Monday 5th May 2025 - BANK HOLIDAY - School closed

Thursday 8th May 2025 - Year 5 Parents' Grammar Workshop - 9:00 -10:00am (details to follow)

Friday 9th May 2025 - Year 4 Parents' Grammar Workshop - 9:00 -10:00am (details to follow)

w/c 12th May 2025 – Year 6 SATs week

Friday 23rd May 2025 - LAST DAY AT SCHOOL

Monday 2nd June 2025 - FIRST DAY BACK AT SCHOOL

w/c 2nd June 2025 – Year 4 Multiplication Times Tables Check

Friday 6th June 2025 - Year 3 Parents' Grammar Workshop - 9:00 -10:00am (details to follow)

w/c 9th June 2025 - Year 4 Multiplication Times Tables Check – mop up

Thursday 12th June 2025 - Year 6 Father's Day Breakfast

Friday 13th June 2025 - Year 5 Father's Day Breakfast

Monday 16th June 2025 - Year 4 Father's Day Breakfast

Monday 16th - Wednesday 18th June 2025 - Year 6 Kingswood residential trip

Tuesday 17th June 2025 - Year 3 Father's Day Breakfast

Tuesday 24th June 2025 – Sports Day – Lower School 09:30am, Upper School 1pm

Tuesday 10th July 2025 – Year 2 Parents Welcome Meeting (invite only)

Wednesday 11th July 2025 – Year 2 Parents Welcome Meeting (invite only)

Wednesday 16th July 2025 – Summer Fayre – 3:15pm

Friday 18th July 2025 – Reports home

Tuesday 22nd July 2025 – Year 6 Leavers Presentation – 6:30pm

Wednesday 23rd July 2025 – Whole School Picnic – 11:45am-1:15pm

Friday 25th July 2025 - LAST DAY AT SCHOOL

Monday 28th July 2025 – Inset day - School closed to children

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