

Leas Park Junior School Weekly Newsletter 16th September 2024



Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

We have got lots of exciting events happening this term, see our dates below, and a new format for our assembly awards.

Look out for information on trips for this term coming out to you soon.

Future dates and events

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:

Friday 18th October 2024

Friday 14th February 2025

Monday 28th July 2025

Tuesday 29th July 2025

Monday 16th September 2024 - Year 6 World War II Day with Palace Theatre in school

Friday 20th September 2024 - Jeans for Genes Day - wear your jeans for a £1.00 donation via ParentPay

Wednesday 25th September 2024 - Wrates Photographs - individual photographs

Thursday 3rd October 2024 – Harvest Festival

Monday 7th October 2024 – Flu immunisations

Tuesday 15th October 2024 – Parents’ Evening

Wednesday 16th October 2024 – Parents’ Evening

Friday 18th October 2024 – Inset Day

Friday 15th November 2024 – Year 5 Viking trip to Perlethorpe (details to follow)

Wednesday 27th November 2024 – Christmas Fayre - 3:15pm

Monday 9th December 2024 – Lower School Christmas Disco – 6pm-8pm

Tuesday 10th December 2024 – Upper School Christmas Disco – 6pm-8pm

Thursday 12th December 2024 – Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 17th December 2024 – Lower School Christmas Performances (Times TBC)

Wednesday 18th December 2024 – Upper School Christmas Performances (Times TBC)

Thursday 19th December 2024 – Christmas Party Day

Friday 20th December 2024 – Christmas Activity Day

Friday 20th December 2024 – LAST DAY AT SCHOOL

Monday 6th January 2024 – FIRST DAY BACK AT SCHOOL

Friday 14th February 2025 – Inset Day

Tuesday 4th March 2025 – Year 3 swimming lessons start

Tuesday 1st April 2025 – Parents’ Evening

Wednesday 2nd April 2025 – Parents’ Evening

w/c 28th April 2025 – Mock SATs week

w/c 12th May 2025 – SATs week

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

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

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

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Tuesday 29th July 2025 – Inset Day

The Leas Park Awards


Eco Class



Winner of the Week:

3B

Golden Tickets



Class	Amount collected this week	Running total so far this half term:
3B	3	3
3P	0	0
4C	4	4
4G	3	3
5C	2	2
5H	3	3
6A	3	3
6P	1	1

Winner of the Week: **4C** Overall winner this half term so far: **4C**

Tea Party



Class	Name
3B	Lily C
3P	Alfie W
4C	Ella C
4G	Joseph C
5C	Stephen G
5H	Jenson M
6A	Emmie G
6P	Devon K

Maths Stars




Class	Name
3B	Grayson E
	Elias W
3P	Leo R
	Maisie S
4C	Peyton F
	Ethan S
4G	Esme L
	James
5C	Ellie-Mae B
	Benjamin G
5H	Mason F
	Ava-Mae L
6A	Seiss H
	Erin G
6P	Alex B
	Jack T



Pen Licences

Class	Name
5H	Sophie S
5C	Alexander F
5C	Indie G
5C	Devon T



Book Vending Machine

Lower School Winner

Class	Name
4G	Charles C

Upper School Winner


Class	Name
6P	Alex B

Reading Raffle Winners






Dinner Winners	
Class	Name
3B	Phoebe-Grace S
3P	Erin L
4C	Oliver M
4G	Ashton G
5C	Bree M
5H	Freya B
6A	Ben U
6P	Henry R



Shout Outs	
Class	Name
6P	Isla-Grace H

Shout out!



Attendance



The Attendance Award for w/c 09/09/2024 goes to **Class 4C** with 100.0%.

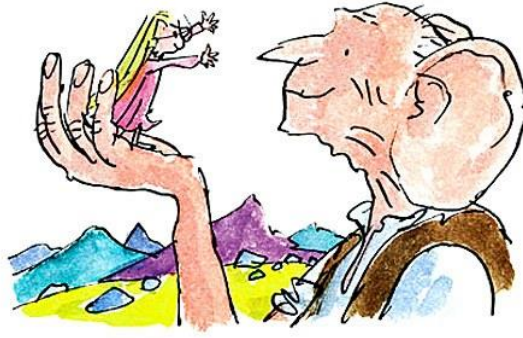
Please follow this link to our current Attendance Policy for more information: [School Policies | Leas Park Junior School](#)

The whole school attendance this academic year to date is **96.0%** - the national target is **96%**!

Well done for our first week back!

Please help support us in raising our attendance. Please see more information on this below.

Roald Dahl Day



We enjoyed Roald Dahl Day in school, which we celebrated on his birthday, 13th September.

Roald Dahl was a famous author of children's literature and he has sold over 300 million copies of his books worldwide.

All of the children listened to his stories and created a piece of work about his writing. Look out for their amazing artwork display on your next visit in to school!

School Uniform & PE Kit



Please ensure that your child is attending school in the correct school uniform. Our uniform is very simple and most items can be bought very cheaply at the local supermarkets:

- Burgundy school cardigan or sweatshirt with our school logo (to be purchased via school)
- White school polo t-shirt or school shirt
- Black or grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress
- Black sensible school shoes
- Summer dress in school colours

Our P.E. kit is also simple:

- Black or navy shorts
- Plain white t-shirt
- Trainers
 - Tracksuit (any colour) for outside

Please make sure your child's belongings are all clearly labelled.

Our lost property box is located in the school hall and is emptied at the end of every term – do pop in and have a look if your child loses anything!

On the day your child has PE, please send them to school in their PE kit (unless you have been informed otherwise due to school events etc) – this saves time, and reduces the amount of lost property at the end of the day.

Asda Cashpot for Schools



Every time you shop with Asda Rewards from 2nd September to 30th November, Asda will donate 0.5% of your total spend to a primary school of your choice. Plus, Asda will pop £1.00 into your chosen school's Cashpot every time someone opts in. Even more, Asda will get school started with a further £50.00!

Plus...you don't lose any of your own Asda Rewards earnings and your own Cashpot will continue to grow!

We are looking to sign up with Parentkind for this donation and need to make over £163.00 to cover the sign up fee. We would appreciate any support with this. Please tell everyone - your family, your friends, even your postman (!) to nominate our school and shop and scan their Asda Rewards cards, so that we can raise much needed funds.

Thank you for your support!

Dogs on the school site



We have unfortunately had another dog fouling incident on our front playground following an end of school collection last week.

Our children play on this area every morning break and for some of their PE sessions and outdoor work.

Please ensure any dog mess is cleared up immediately. If an incident like this occurs again, we will regrettably have to look at whether we need to ban dogs from attending site altogether.

Attendance update - change of guidelines



At the start of our school year, we discuss with the children in assembly about how important their attendance is and that we have some super awards coming up in school that we would like them all to work towards.

Our policy states 'Leas Park Junior School is committed to providing a full and efficient education for all pupils. The school sincerely believes that all pupils benefit from the education it provides and

therefore from regular school attendance. To this end, the school will do as much as it can to ensure that all pupils achieve maximum possible attendance and that any issues, which may impede full attendance, are acted upon as quickly as possible.

The law states that parents/carers have a legal obligation to ensure that children within their care attend school regularly. Schools and the local authority have a duty to ensure that poor school attendance is dealt with swiftly'. Attendance was mentioned on our recent 'Good' Ofsted inspection report, stating how important it is that your children attend regularly to ensure that their learning is not affected.

It is recommended that schools now follow the new guidance issued by the Local Authority, 'Working together to improve school attendance' - August 2024, and based on our attendance rates in recent terms, in line with national expectations we must now consider the request of a penalty notice to be issued to any parents removing their children from education during term time, in line with the new guidance.

The national threshold has changed, according to the National Framework for penalty notices, this is now 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a rolling period of 10 school weeks. A school week means any week in which there is at least one school session. (A school day is made up of two sessions - one morning session and one afternoon session).

We want to work with you to improve our attendance and we have appointed Miss Cope, as our Attendance Champion. Her role will involve her working alongside and supporting the teachers with any of their attendance concerns. She will be aiding with the communication with parents, organising and attending meetings and working with parents, pupils and teachers to help tackle the barriers to persistent non-attendance and championing those children in classes in school, whose attendance is in line with what we expect.

Please familiarise yourself with the attendance guidance for schools at : [School attendance and absence: Overview - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/school-attendance-and-absence)

If you have any questions or need any help and advice regarding attendance, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher, Miss Cope or the School Office.

Flu Immunisations



You have been emailed about the Flu Immunisations, due to take place on Monday 7th October 2024.

If you wish for your child to take part, please complete the consent form via this link:

<https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/9df12ded>

If not, you have been emailed out a Withdrawal of Consent form, along with a leaflet providing more information about the immunisation.

The link will close on the 22nd September 2024.

If you have any problems accessing the link, please telephone 0333 3583 397 option 4, option 2 to speak with the Nottinghamshire School Immunisation Service.

New School Website



Coming soon!

Our new school website is currently in the development stages. We hope to get this up and running soon with lots of useful information at your fingertips. Watch this space for more details!

Jeans for Genes Day



On Friday 20th September, we will be raising money for Jeans for Genes Day.

Jeans for Genes Day raises money for children and families in the UK that are affected by life-altering genetic conditions.

We are asking everyone to come to school in jeans on Friday 20th September 2024, for a £1.00 donation, payable by ParentPay.

Our fundraising changes lives. Whatever you do on that day - do it in denim!

Reminders, messages & additional news- please read!!

Sweatshirts & Cardigans

Our sweatshirt and cardigan provider will be delivering our next order in a couple of weeks. This will contain the larger sized cardigans. We will get these orders out to you as soon as possible.

Regular reminders...

Scooters and Bicycles

Whilst we allow scooters and bicycles to be brought to school, please ensure your child does not use them **anywhere** on the school site. This includes on the way down the drive. There have been several near-misses recently and also damage to a vehicle. Please note, any scooter or bicycle left at the school is done so at the owner's risk. We cannot be held liable for anything stolen or damaged.

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.

Staff Car Park

Please **do not** use the staff car park as a thoroughfare as children follow adults through the gates, sometimes running on their own and obviously, this is not safe. The staff gate will be closed at 08:30 each morning.

Regarding parking, 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.

Pupil Information

Please ensure school have all of your up to date contact information. If you change your 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.

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.

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 handed into school and collected by an adult.

HSC Public Health Agency

Do I need to keep my child off school?

Illness	Guidelines
Chicken Pox	At least 5 days from onset of rash and until all spots have crusted over
Conjunctivitis	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed
Diarrhea & Vomiting	48 hours from last episode
Respiratory Illness (e.g. colds & flu)	Can return when no longer have a high temperature and well enough
Glandular Fever	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed
Hand, foot & mouth	No need to stay off if well enough, but school or nursery should be informed
Impetigo	Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 hours after commencing antibiotics
Head Lice	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed
Measles	4 days from onset of rash
Mumps	5 days from onset of swelling
German Measles (Rubella)	5 days from onset of rash
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after commencing antibiotics
Scabies	Until after first treatment
Slapped Cheek	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed
Threadworms	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed
Tonsillitis	Can return when no longer have a temperature and well enough, school or nursery should be informed
Whooping Cough	48 hours after commencing antibiotics

Use this guide to find out when they should stay off, and when they can go back if they are well enough to do so.

Parent/carer workshops and information



Please find lots of helpful information, located in 'General Information' in the 'Parents' tab on our school website or via the following link:

[www.leaspark.notts.sch.uk/general information](http://www.leaspark.notts.sch.uk/general%20information)

We hope you find the information in the Parents section useful.

Please check on the following link to see if you are eligible for Free School Meals and Milk for your child:

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

The site also has ideas for healthy meals and recipes!

Please find below some details regarding a SEND Consultation and help information from our NHS Healthy Families Team.



Nottinghamshire Healthcare
NHS Foundation Trust



SEND CONSULTATION

An Invitation



We invite
parents/carers
with SEND
children aged
0-8 years to take
part in an
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shape the special
educational needs
offer (SEND)

**Tuesday 8th
October 2024**

Stapleford Care Centre
(Church Street, Stapleford,
Nottingham, NG9 8DB)
1.30pm - 2.15pm

Please note these are
group sessions.



To reserve a place or for more
information, please email:
rebekah.hughes@nottshc.nhs.uk



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An Invitation



**Wednesday 9th
October 2024**

Both sessions are via
Microsoft Teams
Session 1: 1.30pm - 2.15pm
Session 2: 5.30pm - 6.15pm
(Please attend only one session)

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Healthy Family Team: 0 - 19 Public Health Nursing Service

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Hello....

We just wanted to say a big hello and introduce ourselves. We are your local Healthy Family Team. It is our job to support your students and their families with any health and wellbeing needs. We work with children aged 0-19 years.

This is what we offer:

Appointment Line

You can access support from your local Healthy Family Team through a range of appointment-based health sessions for parents, children and young people.

www.nottinghamshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/healthy-families-additional-support

Advice Line

This is for parents, carers and healthcare professionals who want to speak to the Healthy Family Team for advice or support.

Monday to Friday, from 9am to 4.30pm

Telephone
0300 123 5436

Parentline

This is a confidential text messaging service delivered by the Healthy Family Team for parents and carers. Monday to Friday, from 9am to 4.30pm

Text
07520 619919

Health For Kids

This website offers a fun, engaging and interactive way for children to learn about health. It links parents and children to appropriate health and wellbeing services.

www.healthforkids.co.uk



Parentline

We now have a text messaging service for parents/carers of children aged 0-19.

Access confidential advice from our Healthy Family Teams on a range of issues.

Text Parentline:

07520 619919

- Feeding and Nutrition
- Child Development
- Parenting advice and support
- Emotional health and wellbeing
- Behaviour difficulties
- Family Health





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Notts Healthy Family Teams

ADVICE LINE

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A 'single point of access'
Advice Line for parents
& carers living in
Nottinghamshire and
healthcare professionals
who want to speak to
the Healthy Family
Teams for advice or
support, covering the
0-19 years age range



www.nottinghamshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/healthy-family-teams

Staying Healthy

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A fun and interactive resource
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@nottshealthyfamilyteams

@NOTTSHFT

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07520 619919

Or ring our advice line to speak to a member of the Healthy Family Teams:

0300 123 5436

Disclaimer: We may need to inform someone if we are concerned about your safety but we would usually speak to you first. Your messages are stored securely and can only be accessed by other authorised health care professionals who follow the same strict confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to your message within one working day and you should get an immediate message back from us to confirm we have received your text. Texts will only be seen Monday to Friday from 9 am - 4.30 pm (excluding bank holidays and weekends). If you need help before you hear back from us, please contact your GP, nearest walk-in centre or dial 111. In an emergency please dial 999. Unfortunately, our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS picture messages. We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only (which does not include messages sent from landlines, international mobile numbers and some number masking mobile apps). To opt-out of receiving messages from a healthcare professional, please text 'STOP' to our number. Messages are charged at your usual rates.

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Nottinghamshire County Council Parentline ChatHealth



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Healthy Family Teams Contact Details

Advice Line

0300 123 5436

ChatHealth

TEXT ONLY 07507 329952 (11-19 YEAR OLDS)

Parentline

TEXT ONLY 07520 619919

Health for U5s

WWW.HEALTHFORUSS.CO.UK

Family Nurse Partnership

01623 484829

Health for Kids

WWW.HEALTHFORKIDS.CO.UK

Health for Teens

WWW.HEALTHFORTEENS.CO.UK



NHS Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust

www.nottinghamshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/healthy-family-teams

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National Child Measurement Programme



To help monitor national trends and to tackle individual problems the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP) measures the height and weight of every child in reception year (aged 4 to 5) and Year 6 (aged 10 to 11 years) in all primary schools.

Trained staff from the Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust carry out the measurements.

If there are any concerns, please speak to your Health Professional.



Mouth Care



Brush teeth, for 2 minutes, morning and especially at night.



Limit sugary foods and drinks to mealtimes only.



Visit the dentist regularly for a mouth check.

How to find an NHS Dentist:

Call: 111

Visit: www.nhs.uk



Eye Health

Free NHS sight tests are available at opticians for all children under 16 and for young people under 19 in full-time education.



www.nhs.uk/conditions/eye-tests-in-children/



Hearing Checks

Although your child will have routine hearing tests it is important you look out for any hearing problems.

Signs of possible hearing problems:

- Poor concentration.
- Talking loudly and listening to the tv at a high volume.
- Difficulty pin pointing where a sound is coming from.
- A change in their progress at school.
- Mispronouncing words.
- Not responding when their name is called.
- Speak to your GP or Health Family Team if you have any concerns. Your child can have a hearing test at any age.