

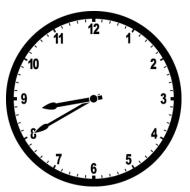
# Leatherhead Trinity School and Nursery Inspiring Learning, Unlocking the Future

Autumn Term Newsletter No. 04 Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hosted our annual Open Evening on Wednesday this week. We had a very enthusiastic group of Year 6 and returning Year 7 students lead tours, and their passion and enthusiasm about why parents should choose Leatherhead Trinity was wonderful to see! We will continue to offer tours across the year so if you know of any families who may be interested in a place at our school, then please direct them to book a tour through our school website.

We have been trialling opening the playground gates slightly earlier to allow parents and children (Y1 - Y6) to wait on the playground, instead of queuing through the carpark. Please can we remind all parents and carers that the **classroom doors open at 8.40am and will close at 8.50am**. We kindly ask that families wait on the KS2 playground until the classroom doors open and to refrain from waiting outside the upstairs, Y1 and Y2 classrooms. We have placed a chain under the stairs to remind families of this expectation in the mornings.



In Collective Worship this week we have been thinking about Harvest. At harvest time Christians take the opportunity to thank God for the abundance of food we enjoy, but it is also a time to raise awareness of hunger that exists across the world.



Generous God,

We thank you for the gift of food – For how it brings us together and nourishes us. We pray for those without, whose harvests and store cupboards are empty, Help us work together to share the world's resources so that everyone can be fed. Lord of the Harvest, hear our prayers. Amen.



Kind regards,

Mrs Elizabeth Killin Headteacher

# ACHIEVEMENTS



Charlie in Redwood class passed his stage 3 swimming during the summer holidays



Lydia in Chestnut class won a Gold and Silver medal in different events during a gymnastics competition on the weekend.

# Well Done!

If you have any achievements you would like to share on our newsletter please let the school know.

# **Christian and Learning Values**

# Well done to the following children who received a values award this week:

Commitment: Mohammed H (Eagle), Radha F (Redwood), Oskar L (Fox), Harrisson H (Badger), Brody D (Hedgehog), Ella B (Willow), Ronnie H-A (Chestnut) Respect : Thomas C (Osprey) Truth: Madison D-C (Eagle) Enthusiasm: Freddie D (Squirrel) Reflectiveness: Ellie-May G (Hawk)

**Fine Diners** 

Our winners this week are:

Carly S, Ronnie H-A, Taliah B, Mohamed H, Ollie C & Brody D

Well done!

# Attendance



Class	W/E 08/09/23	W/E 14/09/23	W/E 21/09/23	W/E 29/09/23
Bumblebee	Starting next week full time	100%	96.85%	94.5%
Ladybird	Starting next week full time	96%	94.45%	93.45%
Hedgehog	93.8%	97.4%	91.3%	97.85%
Squirrel	93.5%	93%	96.1%	93.05%
Badger	85.71%	98%	93%	92.5%
Fox	89.1%	98.5%	95.23%	95.2%
Chestnut	98.10%	95.4%	92.3%	91.9%
Redwood	88%	92.78%	96.2%	89.6%
Oak	95.8%	90.8%	95.8%	95%
Willow	95.65%	98%	96.85%	96%
Eagle	92.3%	99.2%	96.2%	89.2%
Hawk	90.4%	94.16%	95.42%	90.83%
Osprey	90.4%	100%	99.6%	96%
Owl	96.5%	97.3%	95.4%	95.4%
100 % Attendees	263	297	234	269

A great win for Hedgehog Class this week so they will enjoy having Lindy Williams the hamster in their class all of next week. Well done to all the children who have received a September wrist band today. There are only 17 school days in October so please encourage your child to be in everyday so they get the silver October wrist band!

## Mrs Gray - Deputy Headteacher

# Parents Meetings – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October

# Reception – Year 6

Individual parents' meetings are now available to book via the SCOPAY APP or the link on the website. Instructions on how to book the meetings are on the website.

https://www.leatherheadtrinity.surrey.sch.uk/page/?title=School+Parents%27+Evening&pid=49

# Sessions will run from 1.30pm – 7pm

# **Nursery**

A date will be arranged for nursery parent meetings in the near future

# Words of the Week

As a school, we have done lots of work with the children on developing their vocabulary. Each week we share our words of the week (linked to our topic and curriculum learning) and unpick what they mean. We use the word in different contexts, find synonyms, act them out, draw pictures and many more strategies to help us to remember them.



Developing children's vocabulary really impacts their speaking skills as well as their reading and writing. Listed below are next week's words of the week so you can discuss these with your children at home!



## Words of the week next week:-

Year 5 and Year 6 – Feud and Bombard Year 3 and Year 4 – Gurdwara and Algorithm Year 1 and Year 2 – Landmarks and Mammals



### **Top Classes for using TTRS this week**

1<sup>st</sup> Oak
2<sup>nd</sup> Willow
3<sup>rd</sup> Osprey

1<sup>st</sup> Oscar C

2<sup>nd</sup> Albie 3<sup>rd</sup> Carson

# Highest number of coins

1<sup>st</sup> Albie
2<sup>nd</sup> Silver
3<sup>rd</sup> Oscar C

Numbots (Key Stage 1) – highest number of coins earned

1<sup>st</sup> Oscar L
2<sup>nd</sup> Sehas
3<sup>rd</sup> Ellie

**Congratulations for passing the next stage of Numbots:** Oscar, Harper, Ellie, Sehas, Jesse T, Amelia H, Aagash

Most improved studio speed

# Willow Class Learning

Willow class have been having an exciting term so far – travelling back 3 million years last week to find out more about the Stone Age! The children had an opportunity to bring their history learning to life in a fun immersion day where they

- Analysed 'poo' to work out the diet of Stone Age people and compare that to modern day.
- Learned about the development of tools to make their own weapon.
- Played a game of 'hunter gatherer' to understand how early people got their food.



The Stone Age theme is also supporting the children's reading and writing this half term.

In Guided Reading, we have been reading the classic story 'Stig of the Dump' and practising how to retrieve information and make inferences (read between the lines). We have also been using





the great picture book 'How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth' to learn about

instructional writing. This week we are using one of the main characters from 'Stig', Barney, to learn about informal letters.

Our hands-on activities continued on Thursday when the children learned about the process of pollination in science. The children acted out the process of pollination as bees and flowers using crushed crisps to represent pollen which was transferred between plants!

Apart from all our other core and foundation lessons, the

children have particularly enjoyed their swimming lessons at St. John's this week. The fantastic pool and changing facilities offer a great opportunity to develop skills at every level – from building water confidence to extending stamina and stroke technique.

# Book recommendation from Olivia S in Willow class

I have just started a book called 'Born to Run' - the many lives of one incredible dog' by Michael Morpurgo. The first bit of the book is about a boy called Patrick and his walk to school. I am really enjoying this book and I think you should read it because there are interesting characters and pictures.

Mrs Store and Ms Rees Class Teachers

# Scholastic Book Fair

We will have the scholastic book fair visiting us on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October. Please come and look at the fantastic books on offer. You will need to wait for the Y3 children to be dismissed, and then enter through the Y3 classrooms at 3.30pm. If you buy books, we get money towards school books so we hugely appreciate your support. During the week, children will get the opportunity to visit the

book fair with their classes to have a look at the amazing books on offer.

## Payment at our Book Fair

Please check with your school for the best way to pay for your books

- You can pay online at the Fair via card reader machines if your school has one or by using the online payment link at www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay and simply selecting your school from the drop down menu.
- Pre-paid gift vouchers are available in £5, £10, £15, £20 and £25. Go to www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/gift-vouchers to buy vouchers for your child before the Fair.
- If you can't attend the Fair in person, your child can order books via a Wish List – please ask your school for details.

## HELP EARN FREE BOOKS

Scholastic is one of the largest providers of free books to schools via our Reward scheme which helps to ensure that as many children as possible have access to books that support reading for pleasure. Every time you buy from the Book Fair, you help to make a difference by supporting literacy in your child's setting. Last year, with your help, we gave over £5.3M worth of free books to schools nationwide, which stocked school libraries and classrooms.



\*Free books are subject to terms and conditions. Please contact your Book Fair Organiser or Scholastic Book Fairs for details All books subject to availability. Book range may vary. ▲ Warning: Not suitable for children under 3. Small parts.

# Learning Space

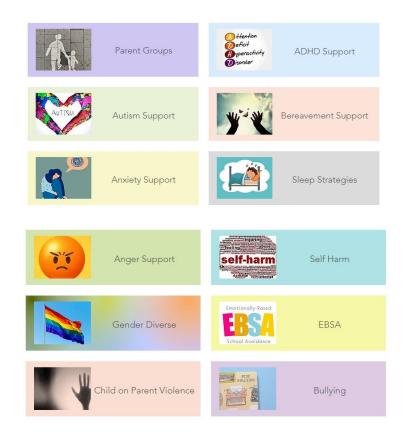
Learning Space is a children and young people's mental health charity based in Surrey with over 20 years' experience of working with children, young people and their families.

The needs of the children and young people they work with are widespread and include anxiety, anger, low levels of confidence and self-esteem, bereavement, bullying, friendships and family issues.



The focus of their work is to grow self-esteem, confidence and resilience so that children and young people are better able to manage change, respond to challenges in their lives and to celebrate who they are.

There are a variety of offers on their <u>website</u>, which include 1:1 support, groups, Understanding Autism and Community Wellbeing. A part of their offer also includes <u>resources</u> to support with topics such as sleep, self-harm, anger, etc.



# Mrs Gattey Assistant headteacher/DSL

# Dates for your diary

Date	Event	Time
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Scholastic Book Fair	All Day
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	Hooke Court Visit – Year 5	All Day
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> September	FOLT – Fireworks show	School playground 6pm
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Meetings	School hall 1.30pm- 6.30pm
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 2 Library Visit	1-3pm
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 1 Trip to Bracknell Forest	All Day
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Full Governing Body Meeting	Evening
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	FOLT – Mufti day (crazy hair)	All Day
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	FOLT – Second hand uniform sale	3pm – KS2 Playground
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Half Term	All Day
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October – 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Year 6 PGL Trip	All day
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	FOLT – Second hand uniform sale	3pm – KS2 Playground
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	FOLT - Krispy Kreme Sale	3pm – KS2 Playground
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	FOLT – Bingo Night (adult only)	7pm School Hall
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	FOLT – Second hand uniform sale	3pm – KS2 Playground
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Full Governing Body Meeting	Evening
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	FOLT – Elfridges	All day at school
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	FOLT – Christmas Disco	After School in School Hall
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	End of Term	Early Finish 1.30pm



**The Theatre Academy** is a Performing Arts school based at the beautiful Leatherhead Theatre, where we offer fantastic training for children aged 4-18!

For more info tel: 07956 891110 email: info@damncheek.co.uk

We have Singing, Dancing, Acting and Musical Theatre classes on Tuesdays and Saturdays. Plus, we have our TTA Squad that perform in competitions, Ashtead Village day, function events and so much more!

If you would like to join our Fabulous School, please contact our Principle Susy Puckett at <u>tta@the-theatre.org</u> or on **07726 945444** and check out our website for our full timetable and further details. https://theleatherheadtheatre.com/thetheatreacademy/