



## **Newsletter from St Leonard's CE Primary Academy**

### **Welcome back!**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to Term 5 and a busy term it is shaping up to be! We are delighted to welcome all our students, families, and staff back for the start of a new term and we hope you all had a lovely Easter break.

This term brings lots of opportunities as well as significant events. Our Year 6s will be sitting their Y6 SATs assessments this term and going on their residential, Hedgehog Class will be going on their school trip to Lowermoor Farm and Owl Class will be attending Warneford for a sports fundamentals visit. Fox Class also continue to attend their swimming lessons which the children are very excited about.

**New Key Date: Please be aware that we will be having an additional training day on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July. I apologise that this was not a date shared with you at the start of the year – it is an additional date we have planned in with the trust to support the changes to our curriculum based on mixed age classes.**

Please read through the whole newsletter carefully as there are key dates and information shared. Also, we are now back up and running with our School Instagram page and Facebook page where we are sharing some of the things the children have been getting up to in class.

Finally, the new T5 topic letters and topic webs are live on our school website. Here you will find out what your child will be learning about this term and how you can support them at home.

### **Term 5 PE Days - Reminder**

<b>Year Group</b>	<b>PE Day</b>
Year R/1 - Owls	Wednesday
Year ½ - Hedgehogs	Tuesday and Thursday
Year 3/4 - Foxes	Monday and Friday (Swimming)
Year 4/5 - Badgers	Monday and Thursday
Year 6	Monday and Tuesday

Please remember to ensure your child comes in wearing their appropriate PE kit on these days.

## Lighthouse Support

As part of The Blue Kite Academy Trust, we have access to the services of Lighthouse. Lighthouse offers drops in for parents once a month to support parents with a range of things. I have included the poster below. If this is something you are interested in, please contact the school office so we can arrange.




**Early Intervention**  
**LIGHTHOUSE**

<b>Who we are</b> We are an Early Intervention service supporting the schools within the Blue Kite Academy Trust. We work with schools, families and children, offering a whole family approach to manage a variety of issues to support long term change.	<b>Our Team</b> We are an experienced, multi-disciplinary team made up of <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Inclusion Workers</li><li>• Family Support Workers</li><li>• Educational Psychologist</li><li>• Educational Welfare Officer</li><li>• Therapeutic Play Practitioner</li></ul>
<b>What we offer</b> Our work takes a wide range of approaches. We can offer direct work with children, family support within school and within the home. This may be through: *Behaviour support *Signposting to relevant services *Supporting in meetings * Practical help such as budgeting or completing paperwork. We also run regular parenting programmes.	<b>Work with children</b> Our work with children may be through collaborating with your child's school to create a support plan, one to one or group work around a wide range of areas such as social and emotional skills, behaviour, relationships or school attendance. We also offer 'Drawing and Talking' sessions.

## LIGHTHOUSE DROP IN

Lighthouse is the Early Intervention Team working within all Blue Kite Academy Trust schools. Lighthouse holds drop-in sessions at our school once a month - you will meet one of the team to have a short, informal, 1-1 chat about anything causing worry or stress in your home. This could be around behaviour, sleep, struggling to manage emotions/anxiety or concerns around finance, cost of living or similar. Drop in sessions give you the chance to get some advice from the experienced team. They can support you to take those next steps or signpost you to services who can also help. Lighthouse are a friendly team with lots of knowledge to share so please book in to see them if you feel they could help.

Please speak to a member of staff if you have any further questions. Book in via the school office. You can also follow us on Instagram @Lighthouse\_bluekitetrust



## Staffing

We would like to welcome to the team Mrs Taxali who has joint Badgers Class for the remainder of this year.

## PTA News

### 👩🏫 Colouring Competition Winners 🎨

We would like to say a huge thank you to Maggie Banda, Chair of the Blunsdon Community Shop, for kindly selecting our winners.



To ensure fairness, all entries were judged anonymously.

### 🌟 Congratulations to our winners:

Matilda – Owls  
Evie – Hedgehogs  
Emmie – Foxes  
Louis – Badgers  
Finley – Deers

Well done to everyone who took part – the standard was fantastic! 🌟

## Key Dates

- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday
- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May – PGL Parent Meeting
- WC 11<sup>th</sup> May – Y6 SATs Assessments
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May – New Reception Starters meet the teacher
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May Y6 Residential
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Last day of term
- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June – TD Day
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Class Photos
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – New Reception Starters Parent Induction

- WC 8<sup>th</sup> June – Phonics Screening
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Blue Kite Games (More information to follow in due course)
- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June – New Reception Starters Stay and Play Group A
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June – New Reception Starters Stay and Play Group B
- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Summer Fete save the date!
- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July – Swimming Gala
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July – TD Day
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Transition morning for all classes
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Reports out to parents
- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Y6 Leavers Assembly
- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Last day of term 1pm finish

Please be aware that we are planning a parent workshop in Term 6 to explain our curriculum design and how we will be meeting the needs of all children in mixed age classes. The date can be found below:

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 5pm

Thank you for reading and for your ongoing support.

Warm regards,

Mrs Johnson