



Leonard's Life



Where everyone is valued and together we reach for the stars.

Issue: 3

Friday 19th September 2025

A note from Miss Phillips.....

It's been another busy week in school!

Our Y5/6 classes had a great time on their trip to the National Arboretum yesterday and our Nursery and Reception children loved getting stuck into their forest school learning with Mrs Howell.

We have been continuing to explore our school values through our Link Groups and assemblies. Our link groups meet three times a week and are made up of children from Rec-Y6. These groups are a great way for us to grow community in our school. We use them to check in, check up and check out with each other!

Making sure your child is in school on time matters, as our learning starts promptly. If you are struggling in a morning, please reach out to our team in the office - we would be happy to explore the ways in which we can support you.



School AWARDS

w/c: 15/09/25	Star of the Week	Pride Award
Year N/R	Elijah	Ellis
Year R	Leilani	Miles
Year 1/2H	Kobie	Ewan
Year 1/2L	Jason	Arla
Year 1/2R	Khadija	Macsen
Year 3	Kayoli	Webb
Year 4	Markiian	Stacey
Year 5	Jay	Shukrana
Year 6	Lucy	Ava

Well done everyone!

Care



The core value of care means showing kindness, empathy, and love to others.

It involves:

- Looking after classmates, staff, and the school environment
- Being helpful and supportive to those in need
- Listening and treating others with compassion
- Taking responsibility for actions and showing understanding

Care creates a safe, friendly, and inclusive school community where everyone feels valued and supported.

Earrings and PE

Just to clarify, children who cannot remove their earrings for PE or swimming may bring tape to cover them. Staff cannot take out earrings for children but can assist with covering them if tape is provided.

Thank you for your support.

Home - School Communication

Questions, concerns and queries - please send all of these to the school office, not directly to staff, using office@st-leonards-stafford@staffs.sch.uk

Positive new stories and celebrations - these can be sent to staff via Class Dojo.

Staff may also be available at the end of the day for a quick catch-up.



Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

Week: 15/09/25	
Class	Attendance %
Rec	94.07
Y1/2H	96.82
Y1/2L	95.83
Y1/2R	97.92
Y3	95.16
Y4	95.36
Y5	97.27
Y6	88.71

Well done to **Year 1/2R**.

Look out for your Class DoJo points!

The  **ELSA**
Study



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Screening children for type 1 diabetes



Would you like to get your child screened for type 1 diabetes in the ELSA diabetes research study?

We are screening children, aged 3-13 years, at a clinic near you:

Date: 25/11/2025

Time: 09:30

Location: St Leonard's

Register here: www.elsadiabetes.nhs.uk

Contact us: research@mpft.nhs.uk

Scan for info



Was your child born between
**1st September 2021 and
31st August 2022?**

If so, you will need to apply for a place
at primary school for September 2026.

You can apply online at www.staffordshire.gov/admissions

From 1st November 2025

The closing date for applications is 15th January 2026

We would like to welcome you and your
child to join us at

St. Leonard's Primary School
Fairway, Stafford ST16 3TW

on the following date:

Monday 17th November (1.30pm - 3.30pm)

Please contact the school office to book a place.

Email: office@st-leonards-stafford.staffs.sch.uk
or telephone 01785 334960

www.st-leonardsstafford.co.uk

Please share this information with someone you know who has a child
due to start primary school in September 2026.

NEXT PTFA MONTHLY MEETING



Thu 25 Sep 2025 | 7.00pm
**Starbucks, The Hough
Retail Park**

Everyone is welcome to join us and help us organise
events to raise money to support the school in providing
additional activities & resources for your children.

Please email: ptfa@st-leonards-stafford.staffs.sch.uk
to confirm your attendance



Join Us as a Parent Governor at St Leonard's Primary School



Where everyone is valued and together we reach for the stars!

We are proud of our inclusive and aspirational school community, and we're looking for a Parent Governor who shares our vision and values.

Why become a Parent Governor?

As a Parent Governor, you'll help shape the future of St Leonard's by:

Representing the voice of parents in key decisions

Supporting and challenging school leadership

Helping ensure every child receives the best possible education

Contributing to the strategic direction and development of the school

Who can apply?

Any parent or carer of a child currently attending St Leonard's Primary School is welcome to apply. No experience is necessary, just a commitment to our vision and a desire to make a difference.

We also have vacancies for other positions on our Governing Board and would welcome interest in these from our wider community - this could be grandparents or wider family members.

What's involved?

Attending termly meetings and reading key documents

Working collaboratively with other governors and staff

Receiving full training and ongoing support

What's in it for you?

A chance to positively impact your child's education

Develop new skills and experience

Be part of a passionate and supportive team

Interested?

Please contact the school office or email office@st-leonards-stafford.staffs.sch.uk to express your interest or ask any questions.

Let's work together to help every child at St Leonard's reach for the stars!



Diary Dates

AUTUMN TERM Please note dates are subject to change, we will always notify you as soon as we can if this happens.

SEPTEMBER 2025	
Thursday 25th September	PTFA Meeting at Starbucks, The Hough 7pm - all parents welcome!
OCTOBER 2025	
Friday 3 rd October	Whole School photograph day – no PE kits to be worn on this day
Monday 6th - Friday 10th October	Year 6 Residential Educational Visit - make your payment of ParentPay
Friday 10th October	Hello Yellow Day - £1 donation to Mental Health Charity on ParentPay. Wear YELLOW.
Monday 13th October	INSET DAY - School closed to pupils
Tuesday 14 th October	Class Photographs - No PE kits to be worn on this day
Tuesday 14th October	Parent SEND Group - 2.30pm
Tuesday 21st October	Parent Forum 9.15am - all parents welcome to attend.
Thursday 23rd October	Sports Enrichment - Basketball - all pupils to wear PE kits
Friday 24th October	9am Celebration Assembly. Families will be contacted the week before if their child has been chosen for an award. Harvest Celebrations - Parents are welcome to join us. Donations for House of Bread. 9:15 am in school for Y1/Y2/Y3 and 10:00 am in school for Y4/Y5/Y6 11.00am – Nursery Harvest stay and play 2:30 pm – Reception Harvest stay and play
Mon 27th to Fri 31st October	Half Term Holiday
NOVEMBER 2025	
Monday 3 rd November	School reopens for pupils
Monday 3rd November	Y1/2 Families workshops – curriculum link, 2pm
Tuesday 4th November	Y1/Y2 Pirate WOW Day!
Tuesday 4th November	Y5/6 Families workshops – curriculum link, 2pm
Thursday 6th November	Y3/4 Families workshops – curriculum link, 2pm
Monday 10 th November	Odd Socks Day as part of Anti-Bullying Week – wear odd socks with your uniform/PE kit
Monday 10 th November	Parents’ evening from 3.45pm
Tuesday 11 th November	Remembrance Day – poppies will be on sale
Tuesday 11 th November	Parents’ evening from 3.45pm
Tues 11th, Thurs 13th and Fri 14th Nov	Year 6 Bikeability
Friday 14 th November	Children in Need – £1 donation for charity on ParentPay - wear something yellow or spotty
Monday 17 th November	Open Afternoon for families of children starting in Reception in September 2025. 1:30 – 3:30pm - Please book your slot with the office.
Tues 18th, Thurs 20th, Fri 21st Nov	Year 5 Bikeability
DECEMBER 2025	
Wednesday 10 th December	Christmas Lunch in school - Wear your Christmas Jumper or something Festive!
Thursday 11 th December	Sports Enrichment – orienteering PE kit for all pupils
Friday 12 th December	9:00 am – Celebration Assembly Families will be contacted the week before if their child has been chosen for an award
Monday 15 th December	9:30 am – Nur/Rec Christmas Play 2:00 pm – Y1/2 Christmas Play
Tuesday 16 th December	9:30 am –Y1/2 Christmas Play 2:00 pm – Nur/Rec Christmas Play
Wednesday 17 th December	Christmas Services for Key Stage 2 at: 9.00 for Y5/6 and 10:00 am for Y3/4 - Parents Welcome
Thursday 18 th December	Party Day – children to wear party clothes to school
Friday 19 th December	Last Day of term - School closes 1pm
Mon 22nd Dec to Fri 2nd Jan	School closed
JANUARY 2026	
Monday 5th January	INSET Day – School closed to pupils
Tuesday 6 th January	School reopens to pupils