



Leonard's Life



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

Issue: 7

Friday 17th October 2025

A note from Miss Phillips.....

We've had another busy week in school with whole class photos on Tuesday morning—we look forward to seeing these and being able to display them in school.

Our week started with an INSET day which gave staff chance for some training. We celebrated progress to date, looked at behaviour, and spent time exploring how we can ensure all children are always active and engaged in their learning.

Next week we are looking forward to welcoming families into school for our harvest celebrations and end of term awards. Please remember that we are collecting donations to go to The House of Bread.

Have a great weekend!



w/c: 29/09/25	Star of the Week	Pride Award
Year N/R	Arlo	Elena
Year R	Miles	Jude
Year 1/2H	Robin	Sebastian
Year 1/2L	Iffat	Rory
Year 1/2R	Rhys	Erin
Year 3	Margot H	Arthur B
Year 4	Olivia	Kavin
Year 5	Jorge	Sophie
Year 6	Mikey	Freya

Well done everyone!

Behaviour Policy



This week, staff have been sharing our updated behaviour policy with children in school. You can read our child friendly version on this week's Leonard's Life.

In addition to this, classes have been working together to set targets for achieving a class reward for collecting their Dojos. This will be something the class agree together and might look like some extra play, a short episode of something, a favourite song or dance, or a class game.

In addition to this, we will be celebrating achievement through our new half-termly certificates. The first is our Reaching for the Stars award, given to pupils for demonstrating excellence in their learning. The second is our Values Award, which will be given to pupils going above and beyond to demonstrate one or more of our core values. These will be shared with children during our harvest celebrations on Friday.

Attendance and Punctuality

We carry out regular attendance and punctuality reviews in school. Good attendance and punctuality play a vital role in your child's learning, wellbeing, and sense of belonging in school. As part of our ongoing support, we will be getting in touch with families if we notice any concerns around attendance or punctuality. This is not a disciplinary measure, but rather a way for us to work together to understand any challenges and offer help where needed.



Have you got any of the following that you would like to donate to school?

Bikes or scooters in good condition for Leo's Den. Or good quality board games and construction sets for Calm Club.



Week: 29/09/25	
Class	Attendance %
Rec	98.1
Y1/2H	94.3
Y1/2L	97.9
Y1/2R	91.7
Y3	96.8
Y4	99.1
Y5	99.2
Y6	92.5

Well done to **Year 5**.
Look out for your Class DoJo points!



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.

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formatted by National Online Safety. These guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

10 Top Tips For Parents and Educators

DEALING WITH TRAUMATIC & CHALLENGING EVENTS

Children and young people may face a wide range of traumatic or challenging events – from bereavement and illness to bullying, family breakdown, or witnessing violence. These experiences can affect their mental health, behaviour, relationships, and academic progress. With the right support from trusted adults, children can begin to feel safe, rebuild resilience, and develop healthy coping strategies. This guide offers practical and empathetic ways to provide support and promote positive outcomes.



St. Leonard's Primary School Children's Behaviour Policy

Our Vision and Values:

Where everyone is valued and together we reach for the stars.
Our core values are care, respect, teamwork and pride.

Our Golden Rules for positive behaviour are:

Be ready.
Be respectful.
Be safe.

We celebrate positive behaviour with:

- Dojo points
- Stickers and certificates
- Praise from our teachers and school staff
- Special roles and responsibilities

We make things right when they go wrong:

We have restorative conversations where we talk about what happened, how people felt and how we can make it better.

When our golden rules are broken this is what happens:

- Reminder – a nudge to do the right thing
- Warning – a clear message to change behaviour
- Consequence – an action to help us reflect
- Repeated negative behaviour – a meeting with teachers and parents
- Serious negative behaviour – bigger actions may sometimes be needed to keep everyone safe

Everyone is included:

We understand that everyone is different. If we need extra help, we will get the support we need to do our best.

Bullying:

Bullying is never OK. If someone is being unkind again and again, our school staff will help make things better.

Working together:

School staff, children and parents all work together to make our school a great place to learn and grow!



Our adults will help make choices about how to deal with negative behaviour. Here is what it might look like:

Behaviour	Potential consequence
Not on task or avoiding work Disrupting others e.g. shouting out, tapping on the table, walking around without permission Not following instructions Poor choices and actions on the playground	Cool off time – away from peers for time set by staff A reminder of how to behave Support to make a better choice Told how your choices are affecting others Individual working space Catch up on missed work
Repeatedly disrupting others Inappropriate conversations or words Poor choices e.g. teasing Hurt someone (accident but avoidable) Lack of respect for people or property Not making a safe choice	Cool off time – away from peers for time set by staff A reminder of how to behave Miss part/all of playtime including a restorative conversation Apologise Catch up on missed work during own time Do something kind for those who have been upset/affected Parents or carers informed
Swearing Being rude or shouting out Not making a good choice or accepting help with a good choice Constant disruption to people or learning time Leaving the room without permission	You must talk about this with an adult Thinking/calming time in different room using or space within the classroom Miss a break time or restorative conversation with your teacher/SLT Apologise Discussion with parents/carers Must fix any damage or tidy any mess made
Repeatedly doing the above behaviours A one off, serious behaviour or extreme reaction to a situation Physically hurt someone on purpose Immediate danger of significant damage to property Bullying Discriminatory language including but not limited to: racist, sexist, disability, homophobic/biphobic/transphobic, derogatory behaviour or language	Adults will make all the decisions now Staff member or SLT support Discussion with parents/carers Formal restorative conversation which may include parents/carers Thinking time out of class, a member of SLT will choose how long this will be for (internal suspension) Parents may need to pick you up early if the right choices are not being made to calm down (suspension)

St Leonard's PTFA

Don't forget to return your

Christmas Card Designs

By Wed 22 Oct 2025

See the letter from school for more info



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Come and join the PTFA at our AGM on Wednesday 22 October 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

It's that time of the year again – time for the PTFA's Annual General Meeting (AGM), which will be held on Wednesday 22 October 2025.

We're looking for volunteers to join our Parents, Teachers and Friends Association (PTFA) and help us raise money to support your children's experience at St Leonard's.

We're a friendly and committed bunch of parents, carers, teachers and friends that meet monthly to plan events and activities to raise money to support the school in providing additional resources for your children. Funds we have raised previously have helped to fund Forest School equipment, purchase phonic books, paying for whole day events, like last year's Circus skills workshop, develop the school's IT suite, purchase the sound system, provide playground equipment and supplies to support the school's clubs and activities, as well as providing rewards for the credit cupboards and gifts for the year 6 leavers. We are always looking for new members, and we need your support to ensure the PTFA can continue. We are looking to elect, or re-elect roles for the:

- Chairperson
- Vice Chair
- Treasurer
- Secretary &
- Publicity positions

Due to changes in circumstances and older children moving on to high school we must recruit as a minimum, a new Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. Experience is not a necessity, just a commitment to want to help your child's school and the ability to support and work with others. Without these positions we would be unable to continue and would have to cease running, so we urge you to attend and join in your support of the PTFA, if you're able to. Our AGM is being held on Wednesday 22 October from 7.00pm at School, for anyone interested:

If you can't commit to the monthly meetings but would like to help with activities or events, that's great too.

To confirm your attendance please email by 9am on Wednesday 22 October 2025: ptfa@st-leonards-stafford.staffs.sch.uk ... Oh, and there will be cake and biscuits!

If you're unable to join us for the PTFA AGM, but are interested in joining us please drop us a line to let us know too. And, if you haven't already, please do join our Facebook Group to find out what we're up to:

[@stleonardsstaffordptfa](https://www.facebook.com/stleonardsstaffordptfa)

Thank you for your support!

Yours Sincerely,

St Leonard's Primary School PTFA

October 2025	
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	Harvest and Celebration Assemblies. 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. 9.15am in school for Y1/2/3 and 10.00am in school for Y4/5/6 11.00am Nursery - Harvest Stay and Play 2.30pm - 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 3 rd November	Y1/2 Families workshops – curriculum link, 2pm
Tuesday 4 th November	Y1/Y2 Pirate WOW Day!
Tuesday 4 th November	Y5/6 Families workshops – curriculum link, 2pm
Thursday 6 th 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 11 th , Thurs 13 th and Fri 14 th 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 18 th , Thurs 20 th , Fri 21 st 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