



Leonard's Life



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

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Friday 19th December 2025

A note from Miss Phillips.....

Happy Christmas!

We have made it to the end of the autumn term and it has been a fantastic few weeks.

The last week in particular has been packed with festivities and celebrations. All children have taken part in Christmas performances and did a wonderful job. From first nativities to final Christmas services, it has been a pleasure to enjoy each production and to welcome our families into school to share this with us.

Our PTFA have pulled out all the stops with our festive Winter Wonderland! We kicked this off with a fantastic light switch on. This was followed by discos, raffles and our guess the name of the teddy competition. Thank you to all who entered and well done to our winners! The funds raised go to support the work we do in school and look to provide added extras which school budgets cannot always cover. Do look out for details of PTFA meetings in the new year if you would like to join.

We have also loved seeing our choir perform over the Christmas period. They were at Stafford Hospital last week and this week visited our friends at Compton Court. Their singing put smiles on lots of faces and in some cases even brought a tear to the eye. Well done everyone!

However you spend the Christmas break, I hope that it is filled with joy and peace. I will look forward to seeing you all on the school gate in January - come rain or shine!



Winter Wonderland Festival Wrap-Up!

Our magical festive activities have come to an end, and we're thrilled to announce the winners!

Guess the Name of Santa's Teddy

Congratulations to **Kit Hubbard** for guessing the name **Santa's Little Helper** correctly!

Christmas Hamper Raffle

A big cheer for **Liam Newman, Theo Baseman, Rachael Babatunde, Jason Nguyen, Jasper Goodwin, Ethan Hill, Jay Harris, Millie Butterworth, Cora Harris and Amelia Pavely-Smith** who take home our fabulous Christmas hampers!

Thank you to everyone who joined in the fun and made this season so special. Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Leo's Den Bookings

Please note, we need at least 4-weeks' notice of any cancellations or alternations to any Leo's Den bookings. This is detailed in the terms and conditions when the original booking is made.





	Week: 15/12/25
Class	Attendance %
Rec	92.4
Y1/2H	96.8
Y1/2L	95.8
Y1/2R	95.4
Y3	94.9
Y4	95.9
Y5	95.4
Y6	92.9

Well done to **Y1/2H** .
Look out for your Class DoJo points!

Board Games and Jigsaws for Calm Club.

In Calm club we are looking for any used board games and jigsaws at home that your family no longer needs, we would be so grateful if you could consider donating them to us. Games that encourage teamwork, problem-solving, or just plain fun would be perfect!

Please ensure that the games and jigsaws are:

- Complete with all pieces and instructions.
 - Suitable for ages 4-11 Years.
 - In good condition and ready to play.

Please bring any donations to the school office

Thank you!!



STIKINS[®] NAME LABELS

Literally hundreds of pounds worth of unclaimed, unnamed clothing goes to the charity shop at the end of every term. Naming your child's clothing can really save you money! Simply purchase your name labels from Stikins (R) and you will not only save money, but you'll also help raise funds for the school. Buy the easy to apply labels from the link below and when prompted add in the school fundraising code: **20390** - St Leonard's will then earn 30% commission!

<https://www.stikins.co.uk/name-labels/>

Extra-Curricular Opportunities



Spanish Club: every Tuesday until 4.30pm with Lingo-Tots

Music Lessons: every Tuesday with Rock Steady

Well-being drop-ins: every Tuesday with the Mental Health Support Team

Forest School: x5 week block for Y3/4 pupils with The Wildlife Trust

Choir: Wednesday lunchtime in school for KS1 and KS2

Dance Club: every Friday until 4.30pm with Dappa Dance

Sports Enrichment clubs: half-termly after school club with Time 4 Sport

Leo's Den: before and after-school club with a range of activities including games, sports and crafts

In the new year we will be looking to offer additional extra-curricular clubs. Please note, there will be a charge for after school clubs to cover costs. For information on any of our existing clubs, please speak to the office.

HELPLINES

Please see the phone numbers and links below for any support that may be needed:

Staffordshire Families Integrated Front Door (SFIFD) if you have concerns or are worried for a child and wish to make a referral: **0300 111 8007**

NSPCC Helpline Call **0808 800 5000** or email help@nspcc.org.uk if you're worried about a child.

NSPCC Christmas Support [nspcc.org.uk]

Childline Free, confidential support for children and young people: **0800 1111** or childline.org.uk

Samaritans
116 123 samaritans.org

Citizens Advice Staffordshire – Debt, benefits, budgeting
0808 278 7874

StepChange Debt Charity – Free debt advice
0800 138 1111

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Reception Applications for September 2026

The application process for a reception place for September 2026 will open on 01 November 2025.

The easiest way for parents to apply is online. Further information can be found on the Staffordshire County Council website under admissions.

The closing date is 15 January 2026.

Diary Dates

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

DECEMBER 2025	
Mon 22 nd Dec to Fri 2 nd Jan	School closed
JANUARY 2026	
Monday 5 th January	INSET Day – School closed to pupils
Tuesday 6 th January	School reopens to pupils
Monday 26 th January	Y1/2 Curriculum Showcase - Families invited to view work in books 3.00pm-3.30pm
Tuesday 27 th January	Y3/4 Curriculum Showcase - Families invited to view work in books 3.00pm-3,30pm
Thursday 29 th January	Y5/6 Curriculum Showcase - Families invited to view work in books 3.00pm-3.30pm
FEBRUARY 2026	
Monday 2 nd February	Early Years Families invited in for Stay and Play sessions 9.15-10.15am Nursery and Reception
Tuesday 3 rd February	Governor's Meeting 4.15pm
Thursday 12 th February	Sports Enrichment - Glow in the dark dodgeball PE Kit for all pupils
Friday 13 th February	9.00am - Celebration Assembly. Families will be contacted the week before if their child has won an award. School Closes - last day of half term
Mon 16 th - Fri 20 th February	School closed - Half Term
Monday 23 rd February	School re-opens for all children
Tuesday 24 th - Tuesday 3 rd March	Book Fair in school
March 2026	
Wednesday 4 th March	Reading Café - Families invited - 9.15-10.15am Y5/6 and 2.30-3.15pm Nursery/Reception
Thursday 5 th March	WORLD BOOK DAY Reading Café - Families invited - 9.15-10.15am Y3/4 and 2.30-3.15pm Y1/2
Monday 17 th March	Governor's Meeting 4.15pm
Friday 20 th March	Comic Relief - wear something red non uniform - £1 donation for charity
Monday 23 rd March	Parent's Evening from 3.45pm
Tuesday 24 th March	Parent's Evening from 3.45pm
Thursday 26 th March	Sports Enrichment - Handball PE Kit for all pupils
Friday 27 th March	Easter Celebration Assembly - 9.15am Y4/5/6, 10.00am Y1/2/3 and 11.00am in class Nursery and Reception. Families will be contacted the week before if their child has been chose for an award
April 2026	
Monday 13 th April	INSET DAY - school closed to pupils
Tuesday 14 th April	School reopens for all children