

Headteacher:
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Newsletter



From the Headteacher



Attendance

We had two classes with almost perfect attendance last week: Mr Clark's and Miss McKenna's classes both had 99.44% and share the attendance trophy. Mrs Debus' class won Attendance Ted with 97.50%. Well done!

Sports Day

Nursery and Reception have enjoyed their Sports Day today and thank you to everyone who came along to cheer them on! Next Friday it's the turn of the rest of the school; please can I ask that children come to school wearing school PE uniform on the day. If required, sunblock should be applied before the start of the day and ALL children should have a water bottle, named if possible. Activities will take place between 9.30 to 11 with competitive races in the afternoon (by invite only - letters will be sent home soon).

New Beginners

It was lovely to welcome new parents to school for our Open Day this Wednesday afternoon to prepare for starting Reception in September. We welcomed five new children to school this week, taking school roll up to 427.

Drills

You will be aware that we regularly have fire drills in order to practise evacuating the building. The routine is always varied and we have experimented with different times of the school day; the children can evacuate safely and be accounted for in less than 3 minutes. We also have 'lock down' drills where the exact opposite happens – children are kept safe inside the building whilst all entrances are locked. Hopefully neither of these procedures will ever be needed for real but be assured the safety of our children is always the first priority.

Bike Warning

I'm sad to say that we've had a second bike stolen from the bike shed by Overthorpe Road. We have no way of keeping that shed safe during the day if we leave the pedestrian gate open so please do not park there UNLESS you have a bike lock. The other two bike sheds are much safer.

Translation

The new school website has a fantastic translation feature. Find the little Union Jack at the bottom of the Home Page and choose a language to translate to; many of the documents will be translated automatically.

Best wishes,
Neil Blackwell



What we are doing!

Frank Wise

Did you know that each week we welcome children from the Frank Wise community special school to St Leonard's? Our visitors have a range of special needs - physical, emotional and social - and work alongside our children in Reception and in Year 3. This week, Mrs Pratley's class shared their art lesson, followed by throwing and catching outside on one of the hottest days of the year. It was a joy to see all the children enjoying themselves and for our children to learn so much through meeting the needs of others.



Dates for your diary

Wednesday 28 June	Y5 Steamer Point trip
Thursday 29 June	Y3 & 4 Rounders festival
Friday 30 June	KS1 and KS2 Sports Day
Monday 3 July	Banbury Academy and BGN transition day begin
Tuesday 4 July	Y1 Sea Life Centre trip
Friday 7 July	Y6 visit to Oxford museums
Saturday 8 July	PTFA summer fete 11.00-2.00 pm
Wednesday 19 July	Matilda trip London



Threadworm

We've had some occurrences of threadworm in school. An information sheet is attached and thankfully it is easily treatable.



St Leonard's Church

Find out what is happening in our church by going to their website: <http://saintleonards.org>