

Weekly newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers

This will be the final newsletter of the academic year and my final newsletter as Headteacher at The Lea. I would like to take the opportunity now to thank you for the well wishes and kind words that so many of you have shared with me since my decision to move on from The Lea and I will be doing what I can to say a proper goodbye to the children and yourselves over the next week.

Before we get to next week though, I have to report that it has been another exceptionally busy week at school. Our Year 6 children were up on stage performing their Year 6 production – the shows on Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday evening were really memorable and the children did a great job. This came at the same time that we received the Year 6 SATs results, with our children performing exceptionally highly – we were all very proud of the efforts in these achievements. On Wednesday morning, our Reception children started the day at The Oval and as part of their learning to ride a bike, they all cycled or balance-biked a lap of The Oval. It was a lovely moment for the children. A huge thank you to Miss Weaver who has supported every child in Reception to learn to ride a bike this year. Across the rest of the school, excitement has also been building for the talent show which is taking place next Thursday, with auditions now taking place all day on Monday - I am looking forward to the final week ahead!

Have a great weekend.

James Berry
HeadTeacher



SPOTLIGHT ON GOVERNORS



Our governors had a moment this week to celebrate the school's success in SATs. They are delighted that this has continued to come about through carefully planned teaching and not through an over the top focus on tests and core subject learning.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

July 2023

Fri 14, 6-8pm	PTA KS2 Disco
Wed 19, 9-10:15am	Y6 Leavers Assembly
Thu 20	Talent Show
Thu 20	Term Ends (1:15pm)
Fri 21	Occasional Day

September 2023

Fri 1	Inset Day
Mon 4	Inset Day
Tue 5	Start of Term
Thu 14, 7-9pm	Governors FGB Meeting
Mon 25, 7-8:30pm	Governors TLC Meeting

October 2023

Mon 2, 7-8:30pm	Governors Resource Mtg
Mon 23 - Fri 27	Half Term

November 2023

Wed 1, 9:10-10:15am	Reception Open Morning
Thu 9, 9:10-10:15am	Reception Open Morning
Tue 14, 9:10-10:15am	Reception Open Morning
Thu 16, 7-9pm	Governors FGB Meeting
Fri 24, 9:10-10:15am	Reception Open Morning

December 2023

Wed 20	Term Ends (1.15pm)
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January 2024

Thu 4	Inset Day
Fri 5	Start of Term
Mon 15, 7-8:30pm	Governors TLC Meeting
Mon 22, 7-8:30pm	Governors Resource Mtg

For a longer term view of key dates please visit our school website at <https://lea-pri.herts.sch.uk/news-dates/calendar>

LETTERS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

School reports - whole school
SATs results - whole school

Our Class Word of the Week

Talk to your child about this word and what it means. Try to use it in everyday conversation at home.

<u>Nursery</u> island	<u>Reception</u> cycling	<u>Year 1</u> partition
<u>Year 2</u> technique	<u>Year 3</u> spluttering	<u>Year 4</u> reminisce
<u>Year 5</u> atmosphere	<u>Year 6</u> success	

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PTA

KS1 Beach Party and KS2 Summer Festival

Thank you so much to all the parent and grandparent volunteers that helped to make our KS1 Beach party a roaring success. We hope the rain stays away so that KS2 will be able to have their share of the fun (tonight at 6 pm- 8pm). Thank you in advance for the volunteers who have signed up to help tonight.

Summer Fair

A big thank you again to everyone who volunteered and attended the Summer Fair. We raised a tremendous **£2,383!**

Finally, we would like to wish you all a wonderful summer holiday!

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE



Our attendance target is 97%. Total attendance for last week was 96%.

AWARDS



Team Points

Topaz was the winning team this week. 6 children were awarded their silver certificates for 50 team points. Well done!



The Lea Superstars

Nursery

Maya

For great home learning and then sharing her learning with the class.

Reception

Whole Class

For making us so proud in and out of school this week!

Year 1

Bailey

For teaching us so much in your Show and Tell this week.

Elijah

For being a supportive learning partner - well done!

Year 2

Daniel A

For being a pro at Scratch Jnr and having a great understanding how it works, well enough to support his peers!

Year 3

Whole Class

For fantastic behaviour and a great attitude when carrying out our Geography fieldwork in the local area.

Year 4

Charlie

For excellent work in DT lessons.

Dua

For always working hard and being a fantastic example as a learning partner.

Zaran

For excellent effort when revising year 4 maths skills.

Year 5

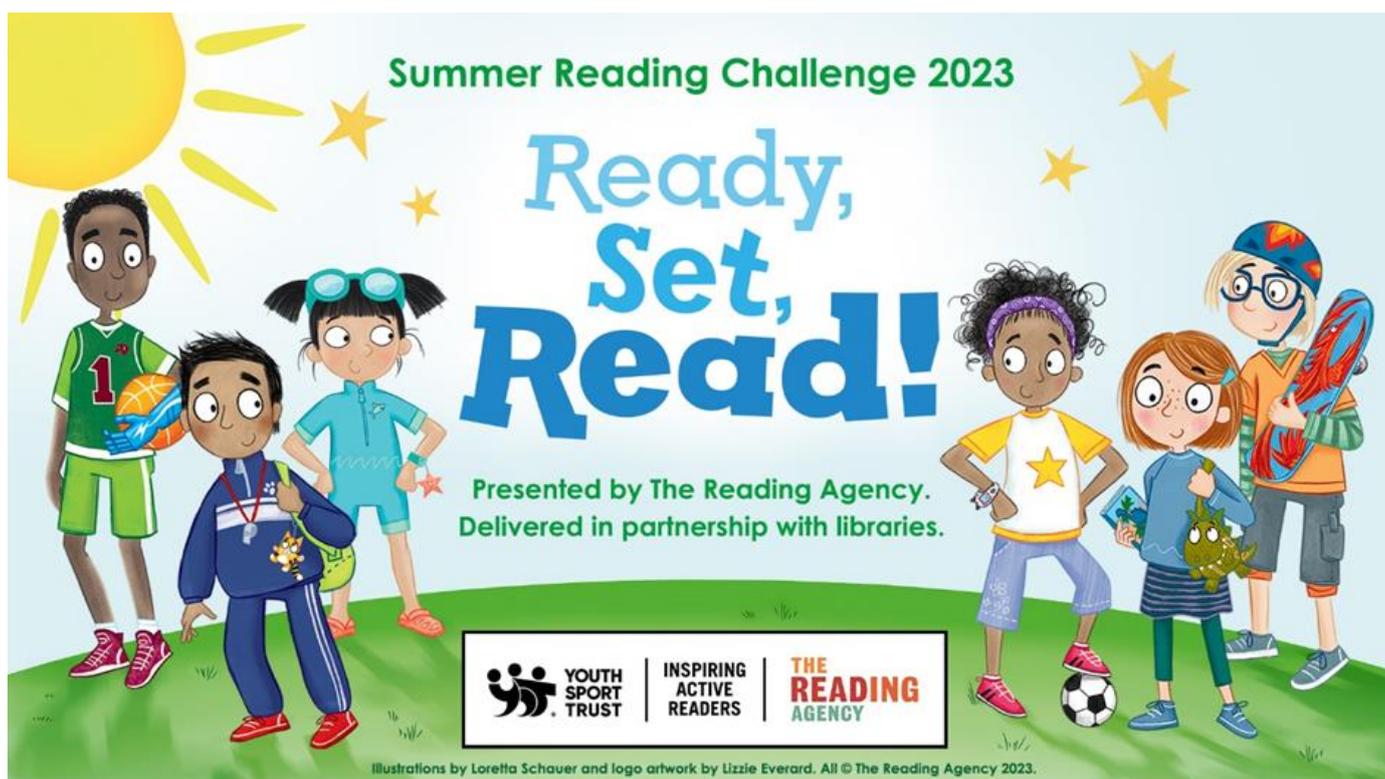
Marci & Jenson

For fantastic vocabulary choices making similes and metaphors.

Year 6

Whole Class

For putting on an excellent performance of Ye-Ha!



Come along to your local library for FREE fun and games this summer with Ready, Set, Read!, the 2023 Summer Reading Challenge.

Between Saturday 8 July and Saturday 2 September, join our superstar team and their marvellous mascots as they navigate a fictional summer obstacle course, brought to life by children's illustrator Loretta Schauer.

Sign up to the Challenge and read six library books during the summer, then come back to the library and tell us what you thought of them, and we will award you a medal, a certificate, and a Reading Superstar pencil. You will also be automatically entered into a prize draw to win a ticket to an exclusive illustration workshop with Loretta Schauer herself!

You can read anything you like from the children's library for the Challenge; stories, information books, comic books, and picture books all count. You can even read eBooks and eAudio books from our eLibrary, BorrowBox.

You must be a library member to take part in the Summer Reading Challenge but don't worry if you don't have a library card yet – it's free, quick, and really easy to join the library.



DESIGN YOUR OWN SKATEBOARD

To help celebrate the redevelopment of the Rothamsted Skatepark, PARC is inviting you to design a skateboard. The winning entry in each category (7 and under, 8 to 11, 12 to 16 and 17 and over) will win a skateboard with their design.

For terms and conditions, including how to enter please visit our website <https://parc.charity>

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In Person Peer Support Group for Parents/Carers of Children and Young People Experiencing Mental Health Issues



OVERVIEW:

5-week in-person support group with qualified therapists to understand how best to look after yourself whilst supporting a child experiencing mental health issues.

Supporting a child who is experiencing mental health issues can be an exhausting, emotional and distressing time for their Parents/Carers. It can feel very isolating.

If you would like the opportunity to meet other parents in your area in a small group that are going through a similar time, as well as learning some techniques from a qualified therapist then join us for this 5 week course.

The aim is to show you how to manage and take care of yourself during this stressful time, focusing on people's strengths, sharing your stories, and helping to create yourself a support network.

DATE & VENUE

Date: Tuesday 25th July 2023 - Tuesday 22nd August 2023 (must be able to commit to all 5 sessions)

Venue: DSPL7, The Hub, Fleetville Junior School, 228 Hatfield Road, St Albans, AL1 4LW

Time: 13:30 - 15:30

Cost : This event is funded by Hertfordshire County Council

TO BOOK A PLACE: Please [CLICK HERE](#)

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Dear Parent,

The St Albans Music School have a range of beginner instrumental groups for your child.

The groups meet weekly with specialist teachers for strings, woodwind, and brass to work towards concerts in the local area.

The beginner groups on offer are:

Junior Strings, Tuesdays 4.45-5.45pm, Grade 1-4 on a stringed instrument

Flutarama, Wednesdays 4.30-5.30pm, any grade but Flutes only!

Junior Wind Band, Wednesdays 5-6pm, Grade 1-2 on a Woodwind or Brass instrument

Birdland Jazz Band, Thursdays 6.30-7.30pm, Grade 1-4 on a Jazz instrument

You can register on the St Albans Music School website by following the QR Code to secure your child's place for September 2023. Signing up allows your child to trial the group for a single session. If they enjoy it, they can come back the following week and the Music Service will add them to the books!



If your child attends the trial session only and doesn't return to the group, you will not be charged.

For more information about the groups and how to sign up, please follow the link below to a YouTube video: <https://youtu.be/OHI9ZpHsWSk>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email Hertfordshire Music Service at stalbanmusicenquiries@hertsmusicservice.org.uk or call on 01438 845 299 (after 3.30pm).

Kind regards,