

Weekly newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers

Following last week's Ofsted visit it has been pleasing to have everything running without interruption throughout what has been a very busy week at The Lea. This time of year is an exceptionally busy period for everyone at school – this week particularly. It has ended with a wonderful sports day spread across the day – this morning children joined in a carousel of cross year group sporting activities and this afternoon children took part in more traditional races, enjoyed by many cheering parents! It was great to see our school values on display throughout both parts of the day.

For some of our key stage two children it was a second day in a row of athletics competition after representing the school at yesterday evenings Harpenden district sports athletics competition. This is always a great event and opportunity for children to race in front of a larger crowd. I know they will have really enjoyed this opportunity! On the subject of sporting opportunity.

We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the School Games Gold mark award for the 2022/2023 academic year! The School Games Mark is a government-led scheme to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition, participation and opportunities across the school. We are delighted to have been recognised for our success. A huge thank you to Miss Weston and Miss Weaver, all other staff as well as all of the parents who have supported the school with various events throughout the year.



Thank you also to those of you that have joined me this afternoon for a farewell picnic. It was lovely to spend some time with the children and families who have made my time at The Lea such an enjoyable experience.

Have a great weekend all.

James Berry
HeadTeacher

DATES FOR THE DIARY

July 2023

Tue 4	Rec Bike Morning at The Oval
Mon 10	Y6 Dress Rehearsal (am)
Tue 11	SATS results day
Tue 11, 1:30-2:30pm	Y6 Performance
Wed 12, 7-8pm	Y6 Performance
Thu 13	Transition Day
Thu 13, 3:30-5pm	PTA KS1 Disco
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

October 2023

Mon 2, 7-8:30pm	Governors Resources Meeting
Mon 23 - Fri 27	Half Term
Wed 25, 7-8:30pm	Governors TLC Meeting

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

Y2 to Y3 transition meeting - Y2
Eid menu - whole school
Further NEU strike action - whole school
Class photos - whole school

SPORTS REPORTS

District Athletics

Yesterday The Lea took part in the Harpenden Schools District Athletics event held at Sir John Lawes school. Children from Years 3-6 represented the school excellently, showing resilience, determination, dedication and team work. We are so proud of them all! Special mention to Charlotte for winning the Year 3 girls long distance race!

#GoTeamLea



SPOTLIGHT ON GOVERNORS



Following the Ofsted visit last week, it has been a quieter week for the governors.

However, planning has continued for governor involvement in the next academic year with plans being confirmed for how the governors will be involved in school life in the 2023/24 academic year.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE



Our attendance target is 97%. Total attendance for last week was 94%.

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.

Nursery
rescue

Reception
landmark

Year 1
expedition

Year 2
generosity

Year 3
bewildered

Year 4
adorned

Year 5
nurture

Year 6
exasperated

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PTA

A BIG THANK for all your help at the Summer Fair!

Last Friday's Summer Fair was a huge success, watch this space for how much we raised for the school. It was so nice to see all the Lea families coming along and the kids enjoying the games, bouncy castle and stalls.

A special shout out to all of you who were there in the morning setting up, helping run a stall and also cleaning up at the end. It's a big job to pull off an event like this and we couldn't have done it without your support, so thank you.

Thanks to the Year 6 students who gave their time to run the games too, they did a fantastic job! Thanks to all businesses that donated to our wonderful raffle prizes and our entertaining band Stu and Jon.

Thank you too to the local fire engine service that came along and finally to Joel and Dave for cooking all the meat on the BBQ!

Thursday 13th July, 3.20-5pm - KS1 Beach Party

Friday 14th July, 6-8pm - KS2 Festival

Tickets on sale now for both events on the website

pta-events.co.uk/thelea

Also please *sign up to help* at these events if you can spare the time. Thanks so much.

AWARDS



Team Points

Sapphire was the winning team this week.

34 children received their silver certificates for 50 team points. Well done!



The Lea Superstars

Nursery

Kody

For great learning about sea transport this week and a good understanding of how to keep safe around water.

Reception

Maya, Elodie & Joey

For excellent understanding of doubling in Maths.

Year 1

Ayla

For writing a great letter in English.

Year 2

Eva

For writing a brilliant report on sea turtles.

Year 3

Misha

For working really hard to learn English and making fantastic progress in reading and writing.

Year 4

Phoebe

For excellent effort in your Maths lessons on money.

Eva

For super effort and progress with your writing.

Carter

For super progress with your reading.

Year 5

Bea

For a great piece of writing using rich vocabulary about our text, Varmints.

Whole Class

For fantastic behaviour and great historical investigation on our school trip.

Year 6

Beth, Jon, Florence, Dorothy & Zara

For showing creatively and initiative with our school play.

THE PTA PRESENTS

KS 1

SUMMER BEACH PARTY



THURSDAY | JULY 13 | 3.20-5 PM

**BUY TICKETS
[PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/THELEA/](https://pta-events.co.uk/thelea/)**



KEY STAGE TWO

Festival

JOIN YOUR FRIENDS FOR AN EVENING
OF FUN FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES, LIVE
MUSIC AND TREATS

Friday 14 July, 6 - 8pm

tickets on sale now, £6 each

pta-events.co.uk/thelea

dress code = festival chic/party

live dj

face painting, glitter tattoos & nail painting

selfie wall

festival food and drinks

donut wall

buy tickets now: pta-events.co.uk/thelea/

Welwyn Wheelers SUMMER SCHOOL

Cycling Skills Development Sessions



2-day courses £20
10th-11th August
17th-18th August
9.00-11.00am*

After successfully completing this 2-day course, the young riders will be invited to book and attend our regular Saturday Go-Ride Freewheel sessions.

*Sign-on from 8:30am for bike check to be ready to start at 9.00am. Bikes must be roadworthy with working brakes and gears (single-speed is fine). Please bring a helmet, mitts, suitable clothing for the weather conditions, and a drink.

For more information scan the QR code to visit
www.welwynwheelers.org.uk

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Stanborough Road, Welwyn Garden City AL8 6XE

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YEAR OLDS

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NEW SKILLS

BUILD
CONFIDENCE



WELWYN WHEELERS

GO-RIDE

All Welwyn coaches are
British Cycling qualified.

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COMING THIS SUMMER

WELWYN WHEELERS PRESENTS
**DUSTY
DEVILS**
OFF ROAD CYCLE RACING FUN

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OUR WEBSITE
FOR MORE
DETAILS



ROUND 1
SATURDAY 8TH JULY 2023

ROUND 2
SATURDAY 16TH SEPT 2023

Want to practise your bike skills? Why not
join our regular Saturday Go-Ride or Off
Road sessions? See our website for details.

**JOIN THE
FUN!**

**ENTER
NOW! £5**
NO RACING
EXPERIENCE
REQUIRED

CATEGORIES

Under 8's - Born 2015 onwards
Under 10's - Born 2013 or 2014
Under 12's - Born 2011 or 2012
Under 14's - Born 2009 or 2010
Age at 1st January 2023

Children can compete on any
kind of bike with two working
brakes. Helmets are required
and gloves recommended.



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