

Weekly newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to the final half term of this academic year – for those of you that I haven't managed to see yet this week, I hope you had a good half term break. All of the children have come back with a great attitude and ready to learn this week and I have been really impressed with what had been going on in classrooms across the school. The year 1 class have particularly impressed me with the continued learning in phonics and how well they are transferring these skills into their reading. On Tuesday I spent the day with Mrs Berry as part of the Headteacher transition process. It was a really productive day and Mrs Berry really enjoyed walking around the school and meeting many of the children.

At the end of this week, the weather has really improved and it feels like summer is here. Hopefully you had the chance to read my email at the start of the week regarding sun safety and have given consideration to this during the week. The information booklet created by Skcin (Melanoma and Skin cancer charity) I attached to that email is [available here](#).

Have a great weekend and enjoy the warm weather!

James Berry
HeadTeacher

DATES FOR THE DIARY

June 2023

Wed 14, 9-9:30am	Y4 Class Assembly
Wed 14, 12-2:45pm	Y3/4 Tri Golf
Thu 15	Governors Day
Thu 15	Kwik Cricket Festival
Fri 16, 8-10:30pm	PTA Social at the Red Cow
Tue 20	Class Photographs
Tue 20, 9-10am	Nur new parent info session
Wed 21, 9-9:30am	Y5 Class Assembly
Thu 22, 7pm	Governors FGB Meeting
Fri 23	PTA Non-Uniform Day
Fri 23, 9am-2:30pm	World Games Day
Fri 23, 3:30-5:30pm	PTA Summer Fair
Tue 27, 9-10am	New Rec Parent Induction
Thu 29, 3:30-6pm	District Sports
Fri 30	Sports Day (parents from 1.20)
Fri 30, 3-5pm	Picnic - Mr Berry's Farewell

July 2023

Tue 4	Rec Bike Morning at The Oval
Tue 4	SATS results day
Fri 7	Herts School Games Event
Sat 8, 2-4pm	PTA Shed Clear Out
Mon 10	Y6 Dress Rehearsal (am)
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	Term Ends (1:15pm)
Fri 21	Occasional Day

September 2023

Fri 1	Inset Day
Mon 4	Inset Day
Tue 5	Start of Term

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

High temperature warning - whole school
Y6 cricket tournament - selected pupils
Y3/4 Tri Golf Event - selected pupils
Return from half term- whole school

SPORTS REPORTS

Tag Rugby

On Tuesday, the Year 3 /4 Tag Rugby Team went to Old Verulamium's Rugby Club and played lots of games of Tag Rugby. The team got more confident each game we played and demonstrated excellent tagging and scoring of tries. Well done to all that played!



Rounders

On Thursday afternoon the Year 6 Rounders team competed in the Harpenden District Rounders Tournament. They played seven games and won four, demonstrating great teamwork, sportsmanship and enthusiasm. Well done! We are very proud of them!



#GoTeamLea

SPOTLIGHT ON GOVERNORS



This week, the Chair of governors (Paul Goodwin) and Clerk to governors (Sue Stevens) met with Mr Berry to start planning for governor involvement next academic year. This has meant reviewing this year's involvement and the governors are looking forward to the year ahead!

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE



Our attendance target is 97%. Total attendance for last week was 94.8%.

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
travel

Reception
map

Year 1
relationship

Year 2
duration

Year 3
writhing

Year 4
decompose

Year 5
incongruous

Year 6
manifest

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PTA

Summer Fair - Volunteers Needed!

We really really need your help to run the Summer Fair on Friday 23rd June! Even if you can only spare a small amount of time, we really appreciate it. Please sign up on the website here pta-events.co.uk/thelea/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=63868 if you are able to help with setting up, running a stall or tidying away at the end.

Raffle Tickets

The Raffle will be drawn at the Summer Fair on Friday 23rd June. Tickets cost £1 each and are on sale now on the PTA website: pta-events.co.uk/thelea.

PTA Social

We're having a social on Friday 16th June, from 8pm at The Red Cow. Come along for a chat and a drink!

Dates for your diaries this term:

- **Friday 16th June, 8pm 'til late**
Social for parents at the Red Cow
- **Friday 23rd June, 3.30-5.30pm**
Summer Fair
- **Friday 30th June, 3-5pm**
Afternoon picnic on the field for Mr Berry's farewell
- **Thursday 13th July, 3.20-5pm**
KS1 Disco
- **Friday 14th July, 6-8pm**
KS2 Disco/festival

DONATIONS

Donations to our school can be made via the [online KindLink page](#). These can be a one off payment or monthly donations. All are welcome and gratefully received.

AWARDS



Team Points

Sapphire was the winning team this week. 1 child was awarded their bronze certificate for 25 team points and 27 children received their silver certificates for 50 team points. Well done!



The Lea Superstars

Nursery

Luna

For super confident blending and reading in phonics.

Reception

Annabel

For excellent running in PE.

Lewis

For sharing his knowledge of the world with his globe.

Year 1

Ayla

For resilience and perseverance when debugging your Bee-Bot code.

Lenny

For being super focused and putting lots of effort into your work.

Year 2

Nelly

For always showing kindness to the children in her class and wanting to help everyone.

Year 3

Annie

For a huge improvement in her handwriting.

Year 4

Imogen

For lovely descriptive writing in English.

Noah C

For being a great role model in his mature attitude to his learning.

Year 5

Zeph

For making a great effort to improve his skills in Maths and English.

Jaiya

For always showing great listening skills in class, and writing very effectively with control of pace.

Year 6

Daisy, Greta & Abigail

For showing resilience and perseverance when working on logical maths puzzles.

Leon

For showing great sportsmanship qualities at the rounders tournament.

Sports Day - Friday 30th June

All children need to try and wear a t-shirt colour based on the colour of their house team, appropriate footwear, sun cream applied before coming to school, hats and water bottles.

- Morning session - carousel activities 9.30am - 11.15am. Children only, parents do not attend.
- Afternoon session - competitive races 1.30pm start. Parents are welcome to attend from 1.20pm.



SUMMER FAIR



Friday 23rd June
3:30–5:30pm

THE LEA PRIMARY SCHOOL

FREE ENTRY

JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!

- bouncy castle •
- face painting •
- live music •
- circus skills •
- games •
- entertainment •
- sprogs sport •
- BBQ and drinks •
- and much more!



For more information visit: www.pta-events/thelea

HIGHFIELD OVAL

summer fun day

A colorful illustration of a summer fun day. In the background, there's a blue and grey castle-like structure with two children jumping over a low wall. To the right, there are several green trees with red fruit. In the foreground, a blue tractor is pulling a trailer filled with people. A bee is flying near the top of the text, and a pink flower and a purple butterfly are also visible. The scene is set on a green lawn with some flowers.

COME AND ENJOY FOOD, DRINKS,
CRAFT STALLS, GAMES AND ACTIVITIES
FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY.

JUNE 24TH - 2PM -5PM

6 HIGHFIELD OVAL, HARPENDEN AL5 4BX

ON-SITE PARKING
£2.50 PER VEHICLE

INTERESTED IN HAVING A STALL?
AJENKINS@YWAMHARPENDEN.ORG

 **YWAM HARPENDEN**
registered charity number 1156783



SATURDAY 24 JUNE 2023

Sign up online at: www.theovalrun.co.uk

5 Mile Run (age 12+): 12:30pm race start - registration from 12:00pm - just £10 entry

1 Mile Fun Run for all: 1:30pm race start - registration from 1:00pm - just £5 entry

Course: Mixture of road and trail, starting and finishing at the beautiful Highfield Oval, Harpenden, AL5 4BX. Facilities: Cafe, toilets and onsite parking.

AND Summer Fun Day beginning at 2pm

YWAM
HARPENDEN

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HARPENDEN
ARROWS

Supporting young people for education and career development opportunities

Vacancy for Trustees

James Marshall Foundation (JMF) is a long-established charity that celebrated its 300th Anniversary in 2022. Land and property were bequeathed by a local landowner, James Marshall, in 1722 and our available funding is the income generated from those assets.

We award grants to young people under 25 years who need financial help for education and career development opportunities. Our beneficiaries must live in our catchment area which is Harpenden, Wheathampstead, Kimpton, Redbourn, Flamstead and Markyate.

JMF is a community charity that has considerable local impact. In 2022, we awarded over £300,000 of grant funding, providing over 1,000 grants to help young people.

"I am so very grateful for the tremendous amount of help I've received from JMF. I honestly can't put into words how much this has helped me."

"What an amazing charity! Thank you so much!"

The Foundation is led by a Board of Trustees, all of whom must live in the catchment area of the Foundation. We are looking for up to three new Trustees to join the team, people who can volunteer some of their energy, time and skills to continue this legacy to help young people.

A Trustee Board works best when the Trustees collectively have a broad range of skills and experience. The most important attribute we seek from our Trustees is a strong desire to work with others and contribute towards the help that JMF provides in the local community.

Are you interested? If so, please contact our Foundation Manager, Pauline Whiting, on 01582 760735 or email office@jamesmarshallfoundation.co.uk for more information about this role and how to apply.

Please consider joining our Trustee Board to work in this rewarding role that helps young people in our local community.

Deadline for applications: Monday 26 June 2023 at 9.00am

For further information about James Marshall Foundation CIO, please visit our website
www.jamesmarshallfoundation.co.uk

Charity number : 1181004

ORAL HEALTH FOR CHILDREN

WHAT IS TOOTH DECAY?

The hard outer surface of a tooth is broken down or damaged by bacteria and acid making holes in the teeth, called cavities. It can cause pain and infections, and cause problems with eating, speaking, playing, learning, smiling and socialising. Tooth decay occurs when foods and drinks with sugars and starches are left on the teeth.

- Tooth decay is the most common reason for hospital admission in children aged 6-10
- Children with poor oral health have an increased risk of damage to adult teeth



There were 26,000 hospital admissions for children needing dental extraction in 2014 - 2015 (study carried out every 10 years)

REDUCE THE RISK OF TOOTH DECAY

- Take your child to the dentist when their first milk teeth appear
- Brush teeth twice a day with fluoride toothpaste - no rinsing
- Support children under 7 with brushing
- Children should see a dentist yearly at least
- Children should have fluoride varnish at each visit (which is free)

WHERE TO ACCESS A DENTIST

Scan the QR code or search "Find a dentist" for the NHS website.



Dental care is free for children and young people aged 0-19 years old.

TOP TIPS ✨

- Brush teeth in the morning and at bedtime for 2 minutes with fluoride toothpaste
- Use a pea-sized amount of toothpaste
- Spit out after brushing and don't rinse, otherwise the fluoride won't work as well ✨
- Fizzy drinks, fruit juices and sugary snacks should be limited to mealtimes

HOW TO MAKE IT FUN

- Everyone can brush their teeth together - why not try a staring contest?
- Brushing to the beat - why not brush to your favourite song?
- Go electric?
- Use a timer - see who gets to two minutes without stopping

