



NEWSLETTER

XII Apostles RCPS, Nel Pan Lane, Leigh, Wigan WN7 5JS School Web Site: www.twelveapostlesleigh.co.uk

Headteacher: Mrs T. Whitton BA QTS

3rd November 2023

Welcome Back!

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that you have all had a lovely half term break.

We have a busy term ahead with lots to look forward to, so please make a note in your diary of the following dates and events in school. I have included a number of events in the run up to Christmas.



Year 3 Remembrance Assembly

Friday 10th November @ 9:00 am - School Hall

Mrs Yates and the children in Year 3 would like to invite parents and carers to join them for this special assembly.

Year 3 will be selling poppies in the run up to remembrance Sunday, so please send in a donation if you wish to support the British Legion.

Reception Intake – September 2024

Anyone interested in sending their child(ren) to XII Apostles R.C.P.S. should come into school and register their child's name.

This does not guarantee a place nor is it a formal application for a place. However, it does enable us to forward future correspondence about our open evenings and other relevant information.

We held an Open Evening for prospective parents on Thursday 2nd November at 6:00 pm and there will be an Open Afternoon for parents and children on Friday 24th November at 2:00 pm.

Year 2 New Age Curling Competition

Well done to our Year 2 children who won bronze medals and came third out of 9 schools. Mr Maj reported that they were excellent ambassadors for school.



Sponsored Bounce

This was a huge success and we have managed to raise £1220.35. This money is essential in enabling us to subsidise our trips and visits to school so that our children have fun and exciting experiences that enhance our curriculum.

Outstanding Toast and Milk

If your child requires toast and milk for this half term, please can you send in the correct money to your child's class teacher and not to the school office so it can be logged correctly. Final payments need to be made by **Wednesday 8th November**, as toast is made to order.

£3 for toast

£6 for milk

£9 for toast and milk for the half term.

Reception children receive milk free of charge.

Please note: Milk and toast payments will continue to be made in cash and not via ParentPay. Thank you for your help and co-operation.

Anti-Bullying - Week beginning 13th November 2023

The children will be invited to wear odd socks on **Monday 13th November** which is great way to celebrate how unique we all are. The theme this year is make a noise about bullying. Please see link to website for more information.

[Anti-Bullying Week \(anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk\)](https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk)

Year 1 Stay and Pray

24th November 2023 at 9:00 am in the School Hall

Mr Ahmed and the children in Year 1 would like to invite parents to stay and pray with them in the school hall.

Reception Parent Workshop 16th November 2:30 pm

Mrs Parry would like to invite the parents of our reception children to join her for a workshop on how to support your child with reading.

Chill and Chat - Friday 17th November 8:45a m – 10:00 am

We would like to invite all parents to attend this termly event. This is an opportunity for you to discuss any worries or concerns you may have whilst having a chill and chat with a coffee and cake. There will be various agencies available to speak to i.e CAMHS, School Nurse, Parental Support, SEND Targeted Support Teacher and Pastoral Mentor.

Second Hand Toy Sale – Friday 17th November

We are once again holding this annual event, so please can I urge parents and children to start sorting their toys out. Please send into school week beginning 13th November.



Wholeschool Nasal Flu Vaccinations – Monday 20th November 2023

If you wish for your child(ren) to have the nasal flu vaccination done in school, please can you copy and paste the link below into your search bar and complete the form. Please note the link below will expire on the 10th November 2023.

<https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/b02ec0fd>

If you have any questions or queries, please don't hesitate to contact Intrahealth on 0333 358 3397.

Mass at St Joseph's

Wednesday 15th November 2023 at 10:00 am

The children in Year 1, Year 3 and Year 5 will be going to join the parishioners for Mass at St Joseph's Church, Mather Lane, Leigh. They will be getting a coach and parents and carers are welcome to join them.

Advent Mass in School

Tuesday 5th December 2023 at 2:00 pm

Father Keiran will be celebrating mass here in school and everyone is welcome. He will be joined by the whole school and Year 4 will lead the mass.

Year 6 Residential Robin Wood

Wednesday 13th December - Friday 15th December 2023

Year 6 will be away on their residential trip to Robin Wood. If you haven't already, please complete any outstanding payments.

Christmas Hampers – Friday 1st December

The Friends would like to make up Christmas hampers to raffle and raise funds for school. These hampers will be mixed, with an assortment of wine, beer, biscuits, tinned foods – savoury and sweet, chocolates, sweets, nuts, sauces, jams, pasta, rice, etc...



The idea is that each class will be allocated a specific food group to bring in. The children are invited to wear their own clothes and donate an item of food from the list below. These items will then be used to make the mixed hampers which will be raffled at our Christmas coffee morning to which all parents and carers are invited.

- Reception – e.g. Packets of rice, noodles, pasta, soup
- Year 1 – e.g. Nuts, crisps, Pringles, tortillas, Bombay mix, nibbles
- Year 2 – e.g. Biscuits, chocolates, sweets – Haribo's, jelly babies
- Year 3 – e.g. Tins of savoury foods - soup, veg, beans, tuna, corned beef
- Year 4 – e.g. Tins of sweet foods – fruit, custard, rice pudding
- Year 5 – e.g. Jars – curry sauce, pickles, jam, pasta sauce
- Year 6 – e.g. 50p each – to supplement hampers with shortage items

Policy Update

The following policies have been updated: Keeping Children Safe in Education, Safeguarding and Behaviour Policy. These can be found on our school website – please take a look.



Star of the Week



We are
not SUCCESSFUL
because We are SMART.
We are
SUCCESSFUL
when we
work hard.

Congratulations and well-done to all our stars!

Friday 13th October 2023

Reception – Riley C-P & Alex U

Year 1 – Max P

Year 2 – Alfie S

Year 3 – Harriet R

Year 4 – Oonagh R

Year 5 – Sophia M

Year 6 – Tommy L

Friday 3rd November 2023

Reception – Freya F & Harry L

Year 1 – Molly R

Year 2 – Isaac B-G

Year 3 – Ruby C

Year 4 – Noah H

Year 5 – Thomas H

Year 6 – Emmet R

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



In school



On time

Week Commencing: 9th October 2023

Reception 92.67% Year 1 90.00%

Year 2 **97.67%** Year 3 97.33%

Year 4 **97.67%** Year 5 91.61%

Year 6 92.67%



Congratulations
Year 2 & 4 & Reception

Week Commencing: 30th October 2023

Reception **99.17%** Year 1 94.83%

Year 2 98.33% Year 3 96.77%

Year 4 97.08% Year 5 93.55%

Year 6 95.00%

Advance Notice

Year 2 Christmas Nativity Performances

Mrs Featherstone, Mrs Devlin and the children in Year 2 will be busy this term practicing for the Christmas performances. Parents and Carers are invited to watch this special Christmas performances on the following dates. The children have been given parts to learn so please help your child to learn their words.

Wednesday 6th December at 2:30 pm

Thursday 7th December at 6:00 pm

There is no limit on the amount of tickets available, so please just turn up to the performance of your choice. There is no charge, but we will have a collection for our nominated Christmas Charity at the end of each performance.

Breakfast with Santa and Christmas Jumper Day - Tuesday 19th December

The cost of the event is **£3.50** to cover the cost of food and a present. This year we have arranged an extra special surprise for the children!



Christmas Dinner – Monday 11th December

If your child currently has a packed lunch but would like to have a Christmas Dinner, please let the school office know so your child can be added to the dinner system. The cost is £2.45 and all payments must be made online via Evolve by Friday 2nd December.

Christmas Parties

Infants (**Reception, Year 1 and Year 2**) – Monday 18th December at 1:30 pm

Key Stage 2 Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 – Wednesday 20th December at 1:30 pm

Children will be invited to wear their own party clothes, but please remember they will still play outside at playtime and therefore need a warm coat and appropriate shoes. In addition, we ask that children bring a plate with party food covered up. This may include a cake, a carton of drink, a piece of fruit and packet of crisps.

Christmas Coffee Morning and Christmas Decoration Competition – Monday 18th December at 9:00 am.

The children are invited to make a Christmas decoration for this event. The school council will judge the entries looking for creativity and imagination and select an overall winner from each class. There will be a small prize for all those that enter.

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Feet First

Chiropodist & Podiatrist

Nicola Skitt

30 years NHS Experience

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8 Leigh Road

Leigh

WN7 1RX

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Telephone No: 01942 671155 or Mobile No: 07767696014



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9th-15th Leigh Cubs and Beavers Group - Jane Riley - 07714417263