



## NEWSLETTER

XII Apostles RCPS, Nel Pan Lane, Leigh, Wigan WN7 5JS School Web Site: [www.twelveapostlesleigh.co.uk](http://www.twelveapostlesleigh.co.uk)  
Headteacher: Mrs S. M. Newton BA Hons QTS 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023

### Headteacher Appointment

I am delighted to inform you that after a rigorous and robust recruitment process the Governors have appointed Mrs Whitton as the Headteacher of Twelve Apostles with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023. Mrs Whitton is our current Deputy Headteacher.

I will be able to ensure a smooth transition before my retirement at the end of the academic year in July.

Congratulations to Mrs Whitton!

### World Book Day Celebrations

As you know this year our world book day centred on the theme of conservation and taking care of our planet. The children were invited to dress up on the day linked to the theme. Once again there were some excellent imaginative and creative ways of expressing this. Thank you to parents/carers for helping their child/ren with this. The options for dressing up were:

1. Come dressed as an endangered creature.
2. Come dressed in a costume made from recycled materials.
3. A word linked to the conservation theme.



### 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 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Reception – Mia S and Ezra D

Year 1 – Ethan B

Year 2 – Ricky L and Alfie H

Year 3 – Luna R

Year 4 – Isaac F

Year 5 – Ruby R

Year 6 – Conor C

#### Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023

Reception – Paige S and Nikos D

Year 1 – Maya R

Year 2 – Harriet R

Year 3 – Phoebe S

Year 4 – Harry G

Year 5 – Gloriz O

Year 6 – William MacD

### ATTENDANCE MATTERS



In school



On time

#### Week Commencing: 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Reception	92.67%	Year 1	93.33%
Year 2	90.67%	Year 3	95.33%
Year 4	91.67%	Year 5	95.00%
Year 6	86.33%		



We have a busy a busy half term ahead of us so please make a note in your diary of these important dates.

### Year 4 Sacramental Preparation Session

The children in Year 4 have been exploring the theme of choices and reconciliation with Mrs O'Boyle in preparation for receiving the sacrament of reconciliation here in school on **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30 pm.**

This service is for the children only.

### Parents Chill and Chat

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023 from 8:45 am – 10:00 am in the school hall.

Why not find out information or ask questions about various topics ie child's sleep, parental routines, behaviour, anxiety, mental health issues etc whilst having the opportunity to chill and chat with a coffee and cake!

There will be various agencies available to speak to ie CAMHS, School Nurse, Parental Support, SEND Targeted Support Teacher and Pastoral Mentor.

All parents/carers are welcome!

### Parents Evening

The teachers will be available to discuss your child's progress at the end of this term. These meetings will be face to face here in school and there will be a film for children to watch in the hall whilst parents/carers are with the teachers. The children will be supervised.

Miss Grundy will send out electronic invites for parents to book appointments via Parentmail. Please remember it is booked on a first come, first serve basis. Thank you.

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March from 3:30 pm-5:30 pm**

Reception, Year 1, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March from 3:30 pm-5:30 pm**

### Week Commencing: 27<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Reception	97.50%	Year 1	96.55%
Year 2	95.42%	Year 3	96.67%
Year 4	88.75%	Year 5	<b>99.58%</b>
Year 6	94.58%		



**Congratulations  
Year 3 & Year 5**

### CAFOD Turkey-Syria Earthquake Appeal

#### Thank You

Before half term we raised £200 for this Emergency Appeal.

#### A Prayer

*God of mercy,*

*We pray for the people of Türkiye and Syria following the earthquakes.*

*We mourn the death and destruction.*

*and pray for those who have died and those who grieve.*

*Lord, bring them comfort, strength and renewed hope.*

*We hold in our hearts those who are injured, and those who have lost loved ones, livelihoods, and homes.*

*Lord, bring them comfort, strength and renewed hope.*

*Sustain and guide all responding to this disaster.*

*Grant those affected courage and resilience, as they rebuild their lives and communities.*

*Lord, bring them comfort, strength and renewed hope.*

*Inspire us to unite in solidarity, acting swiftly and generously, so that help may reach all who need it.*

*Lord, bring them comfort, strength and renewed hope.*

*Amen.*

Year 2 and Year 3

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March from 3:30 pm-5:30 pm**

Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 5

**PLEASE NOTE: there will be no sports clubs or choir on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday of the above weeks.**

### **Lenten Mass**

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 9:30 am in the School Hall**

Everyone is welcome to join the whole school and Father Kieran in celebrating mass to mark the season of Lent.

**Reception Mother's Day Assembly - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March at 9.00 am**

Mrs Parry and the children in the Reception class would like to invite parents/carers to join them for this special assembly in the school hall.



**Easter Coffee Morning and Egg Decoration Competition**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023 at 9:00 am in the School Hall**

The children will be invited to decorate a hard-boiled egg and bring it into school on the day.



**Holy Week Mass**

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April at 9:15 am in the School Hall**

Please join the whole school and Father Kieran for this special mass in Holy week.



We also raised £150 for CAFOD through the Lenten Walk. Children walked in the local community to post cards to our neighbours.

**CAFOD**  
**THE BIG LENT WALK**

We are continuing to raise money for charity and during the season of Lent, we make a special effort to help those in need through giving something up and fundraising.

### **Future Fundraising Events**

As we have now entered the season of Lent, we make a special effort to help those in need through giving something up and fundraising for CAFOD.

### **Easter Egg Raffle**

Please could you send in Easter Eggs for this raffle to be drawn at the end of term. The children will be selling tickets at 20p each.



**Rainbow Own Clothes Day**  
**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March**



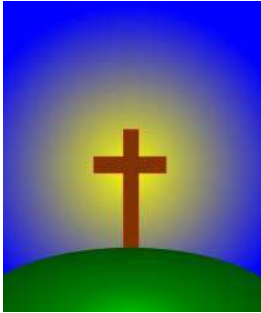
Children are invited to come into school wearing as many colourful clothes as possible so that all the colours of the rainbow can be seen. The children are asked to donate £1 on this day.



## Year 5 Easter Assembly on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>

April at 9:00 am

Mrs Marsden and the children in Year 5 would like to invite parents and carers to join them for this special assembly.



## Toast and Milk Money

If your child requires toast and milk for this half term, please send in the correct money, in an envelope, with your child's name clearly written on the front and hand it into your child's class teacher and not to the school office so it can be logged correctly. As you are aware, toast is made to order. All payments need to be made by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March.

£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.



## World Famous Cake Sale –



Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March

Parents and children are asked to buy or bake cakes to donate for this popular event. The cakes will be priced at 10p each and children can bring money on the day.

## Slattery's Easter Egg Raffle

Raffle tickets go on sale today at £1 a ticket to try and win a ginormous Slattery's Easter Egg or Very Large Easter Bunny.



## Sports Update



Before half term children from Year 6 competed in the Highland Games at Leigh Sports Village. We would like to announce that the results have come in and they came third place. Well done to Conor,

Kamil, Nahom, Evie, Sophie and Dixie for representing Twelve Apostles.

## Sponsor

### 9<sup>th</sup>–15<sup>th</sup> Leigh Cubs and Beavers Group

Cubs Group – Ages 8 to 10.5 years

Monday 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Beaver Group – Ages 6.5 plus

Thursday 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Boys & Girls Welcome

Contact: Jane Riley

**On: 07714417263**

*Through learning and loving we will follow Jesus.*



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9<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> Leigh Cubs and Beavers Group - Jane Riley - 07714417263

ABC Domestic - Ian McGowan - 01942 730468 or 07715986396

Feet First - Chiropodist - Nicola - 07767696014