



NEWSLETTER

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

Headteacher: Mrs T. Whitton BA QTS NPQH

26th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Reminders

Nut-Free School

To keep all children safe, especially those with severe allergies, our school is a **nut-free environment**. This means that nuts and products containing nuts must not be brought into school.

Please avoid items such as:

Nuts of any kind (e.g. almonds, cashews, peanuts, pistachios)

- Peanut butter, Nutella, or other nut spreads
- Cereal or snack bars containing nuts
- Cakes, biscuits, or sweets with nuts
- Sesame seed rolls (these can also trigger allergies)

What we do in school:

No nuts are used in school meals.

- Children are taught about allergy awareness and keeping safe.
- We rely on your support in checking packed lunches and snacks.

If your child has a nut allergy, please let us know so we can put the right measures in place.

Thank you for working with us to keep our school safe for everyone.

Important reminder about birthday treats:

If you're sending in a birthday cake or treats to celebrate your child's birthday, **please ensure they do not contain any nuts** or nut-based ingredients. We appreciate your help in keeping all children safe during these celebrations.

Parental Permission Consent Form

A link was emailed out via Class Dojos and Arbor on the 12th September 2025 asking you to complete an online form. A reminder was also sent on the 25th September. Every parent must complete this form, it is vitally important and gives school permission for your child to be allowed to undertake events/tasks which occur throughout the year. Could you please complete this urgently if you haven't already done so. Thank you to the parents who have already completed this and for your continued support.

Payments to school

As we continue to provide enriching activities and services for our children, we kindly ask for your cooperation in ensuring that payments for school trips, dinners, and the Breakfast Club are made in advance.

Why Pay in Advance?

- Trips: Pre-payment allows us to make the necessary arrangements and ensure children can participate.
- School Dinners: Paying in advance helps us plan meals and manage dietary requirements more efficiently.
- Breakfast Club: Securing your child's spot with an advance payment ensures we have sufficient staff and resources to provide this service.

We understand that managing finances can be challenging, and we're here to help if you have any concerns. Please feel free to contact the school office for support or to payment options.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support!

Year 6 High School Taster Sessions

Year 6 will visit Westleigh School Monday 29th September 2025.

Reception Intake – September 2026

Anyone interested in sending their child 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 will be holding an Open Evening for prospective parents on Thursday 6th November at 6:00 pm and an Open Afternoon for parents and children on Friday 20th November at 2:00pm

Parents Workshops and Meetings

Throughout this term teachers will be inviting parents to information sessions and meetings about the curriculum so please watch out for a letter that your child will bring home or messages on class dojos.

School Photographer Thursday 2nd October

The photographer will be in school taking individual portraits and siblings in school on this day.

Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6 Mass at St Joesph's Church Leigh on Friday 3rd October at 10:30am

Years 2, 4 and 6 will travel by coach to celebrate mass with Father Kieran at St Joesph's church in Leigh on Friday 3rd October at 10:00am. Parents, carers and relatives are invited to join us for at St Joseph's church. Years 1, 3 and 5 will celebrate mass at St Joseph's during the second half of the Autumn Term.

Y6 Stay & Pray Monday 6th October

Parents and Carers of Year 6 children are invited to join us for Stay and Pray on Monday 6th October at 3pm.

Twelve Apostles Charity Work



Year 4 – CAFOD and Food Bank Appeal

Thank you to all those parents and carers that came along to Year 4s Harvest assembly and supported the afternoon tea and food collection. Over the last few weeks, the children have been working hard to share an important Harvest message; they reminded everyone to be thankful for what they have, whilst thinking about those that are less fortunate. The food donations have been made into hampers and shared with those living locally who are in need and the money raised from the afternoon tea will be sent to CAFOD to help our global community.

Raising Money for CAFOD- Year 4 Afternoon Tea Wednesday 1st October

Mrs Devlin and the Year 4 children would like to invite their parents to a special afternoon tea to raise money for CAFOD. This will take place on Wednesday 1st October

Raising Money for CAFOD- Dress Happy for Harvest

We are also supporting our global community by taking part in CAFOD's initiative, 'Dress Happy for Harvest'. On **Friday 3rd October**, we are asking children for a **donation of £1** so that they can come to school in their brightest clothes to spread a little joy!

Friday 10th October Mary's Meals- National Porridge Day

On **Friday 10th October**, we will be celebrating National Porridge Day! This is to support the work of the wonderful charity Mary's Meals. Mary's Meals is a charity, ensuring that children in the poorest countries eat one daily meal in their place of education. The charity began by feeding 200 children. It is now able to feed over 2 million children each year! We are inviting all children to bring 'A Pound for Porridge'. Each child will receive a cup of porridge (just like the porridge given by Mary's Meals). We plan to learn lots about this amazing charity and to have lots of fun making our porridge and adding lots of delicious toppings too. All money raised will be donated to this charity, supporting them as they continue to feed the children in the poorest parts of the world. Thank you



Parent Evenings – Face to Face Appointments in School

Reception/Year 1/Year 2/Year 3/Year 4/Year 5/Year 6 will be on **Tuesday 14th October** and **Wednesday 15th October** from 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm You will be able to book an appointment online. More information to follow

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Friends Meeting – Thursday 11th October 2025

Thank you so much to all those that were able to attend this meeting. It was lovely to see you all.

It was a productive meeting and fundraising plans were put in place for this term.

I can only reiterate that **all** the children benefit greatly from the funds raised by the friends. Over the past 12 months we have used this money to pay for visitors to school and subsidise trips. These experiences really enhance the curriculum.

Friends of Twelve Apostles Fund Raising Events

Sponsored Bounce Friday 17th October

This is a favourite event for our school. The children will be challenged to bounce as many times as they can in a minute. They will ask family and friends to sponsor them for each bounce so that the more they bounce the more money they will raise! This event will take place during the school day.

Christmas Hamper Donations – Friday 28th November

The children will be invited to come into school in their own clothes on this day and donate goods for the Christmas hampers. The friends will then make up the hampers which will be raffled at the Christmas Coffee morning.

More information to follow.

Second Hand Toy Sale – Friday 5th December

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 2nd December.



Christmas Coffee Morning and Christmas Party Hat Competition Monday 15th December at 9:00 am.

This is a chance for everyone to get together. The children will be invited to make a Christmas party hat 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.

Breakfast with Santa and Christmas Jumper Day Tuesday 16th December

The cost of the event will be £3 to cover the cost of food and a present.



Star of the Week

Congratulations and well-done children on getting this award.

Friday 19th September 2025

Year 1 William S

Year 2 Evie B

Year 3 Grace A

Year 4 Arthur B

Year 5 Lucas T

Year 6 Charlie Ba

Friday 26th September 2025

Reception Joshua M & Georgia G

Year 1 Lincoln C

Year 2 Oliver M

Year 3 Edie-Rose T

Year 4 Maya R

Year 5 Teddy L-S

Year 6 Hailey B

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



In school



On time

Week Commencing: 15th September 2025

Reception 99.03%
Year 2 97.59%
Year 4 96.00%
Year 6 97.33%

Year 1 95.16%
Year 3 98.71%
Year 5 97.67%

Congratulations to
Reception & Year 6



Week Commencing: 22nd September 2025

Reception 95.48%
Year 2 96.55%
Year 4 99.00%
Year 6 100.00%

Year 1 97.42%
Year 3 98.71%
Year 5 96.67%

Sponsor

9th–15th 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

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ABC Domestic - Ian McGowan - 01942 730468 or 07715986396

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Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers - Jane - 07877619237

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

T Crawley & Son, Coal Merchant - Damian - 07702 527000

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