



# Leagrave Primary School

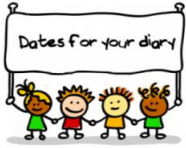
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## NEWSLETTER

### 27<sup>th</sup> February 2026



**Scholastic Book Fair**  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March and  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

**Symbols of Faith  
Exhibition**  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March and  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

**Parent Session  
Heathy Minds**  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March  
9.00am - 10.00am

**World Book Day**  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March

**Year 4 Whipsnade Zoo  
Trip**  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March

**Parents Evening**  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March  
3.30pm - 7pm



**Sulaiman M Ladybird**  
**Leena R Honeybee**  
**Fatima A Honeybee**  
**Mohammad Z Honeybee**  
**Genesis I Butterfly**  
**MD Zayan A 1SK**  
**Eleanor L 2A**  
**Caleb Y 2A**  
**Delvin D 2A**  
**Hugo F 2A**  
**Sofia A 2M**  
**Ashlyn P 3A**  
**Keaven P 4W**  
**Wardah H 4W**  
**Max B 5H**  
**Ahyan Mohammed M 6B**  
**Isaac P 6C**  
**Iqra A 6C**  
**Aadam C 6M**  
**Amina K 6M**

### Headteacher's Corner

Dear Parents/Carers,

Yesterday, we held our curriculum morning which proved to be very popular - we were delighted that it was so well attended. This event provided an opportunity for you to see your child in a lesson and working on different challenges in their own classroom. It was lovely to read such a lot of positive feedback from our parents.

As we head towards the start of spring, we would very much appreciate your continued support with ensuring children wear correct school uniform. Our school uniform policy is available on our website. A reminder that pupils should wear plain black, flat sensible shoes and are not allowed for health and safety reasons, to wear heels or platform soles.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Mrs E Gillespie  
Headteacher)

## Sponsored Times Table Challenge

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February, Leagrave Primary School held a Sponsored Times Table and Numberbond day, to raise money for the NSPCC children's charity. It was a fun filled Maths day with different competitions and challenging Maths games and tasks.

Well done to all the children that achieved their Bronze, Silver, Gold or Diamond timestable awards. Thanks for your overwhelmingly generous support. We are delighted to announce our competition winners, for each year group are: Ryan - Butterfly, Haniya - 1D, Hugo - 2A, Ali - 3A, Aron - 4B, Liam - 5A and Sulaiman - 6M. We raised an amazing £532 for this very worthwhile cause.



## New School Minibus

We are thrilled to introduce our new minibus! The School Council has been working incredibly hard to organise a range of fundraising events to help purchase the bus. They were originally given a target of £5,000; however, they went above and beyond and raised an amazing £11,237.68!

This fantastic achievement means we will be able to take our children to a variety of events and provide even more enriching activities and experiences. We are so grateful for everyone's commitment and support throughout the fundraising events. Once again, we have come together as a Leagrave family to make this possible.



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# WORLD BOOK DAY® COMPETITION FOR SCHOOLS 2026 WITH JIGSAW

Jigsaw and World Book Day are inviting children to imagine and design their dream school library. One school will win £250 in National Book Tokens to make it real!

On World Book Day, children will spend some time discussing, sharing ideas and creating a list of 25 - 30 book titles they would love in school. Then, at home, children can either record a short video, audio clip, or written explanation that explains the following:

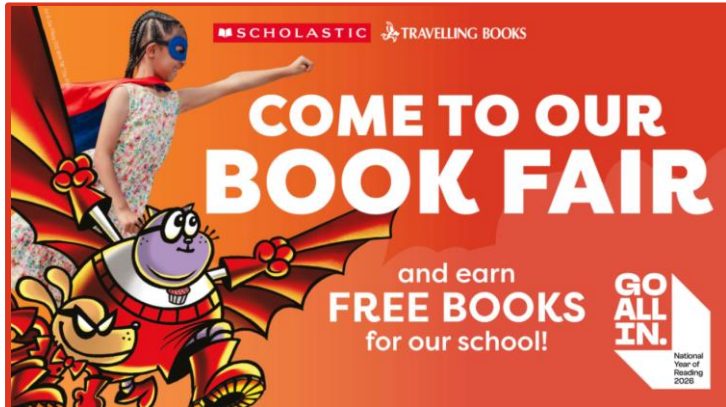
- How they gathered ideas
- Why these books matter
- How they'll share their recommendations with their peers

Any videos, audio clips or written outcomes need to be sent into school by Monday 13th April via Google Classroom. We will then select a handful of examples to enter into the competition! If your child's entry is selected, you will receive a letter asking for parental permission to submit their entry, whether it be a video, audio or written piece of work.

## Parents Evening

A reminder of our upcoming face-to-face Parent Consultation Meeting on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March. To book your consultation appointment please visit: <https://leagrave.primary.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

The booking system is now live and will close at midnight on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March so please ensure you have made your booking prior to this date.



We would like to remind all parents/carers that we are inviting you to visit our Book Fair at the same time as the Symbols of Faith exhibition for your child's year group. If you are unable to attend, children may bring in a maximum of £10 in a named envelope so they can purchase a book of their choice. The Book Fair will also be open after school from 3.20pm - 3.45pm on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. We look forward to seeing you there!

## PARENT FORUM



Parent forums are a way for schools to encourage more parents to get involved in school life. These informal groups give parents the opportunity to raise issues, be consulted on school policy and give their suggestions for school development.

The focus at our next meeting will be attendance and behaviour. We hope to see you there.

## Leagrave Nursery

We currently have availability for children starting Nursery in 2026.

In September last year we were fortunate to secure funding from the government's School Based Nursery Capital Fund to enable us to expand our nursery and welcome more young members to our school community.

The expanded premises feature: purpose built learning rooms, a large outdoor play area, a sensory room and enhanced facilities for family engagement.

Enrolment for new spaces is now open and interested families are encouraged to contact the admission team on 01582 509531.



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## Year 5 Space Centre Trip



Before half term as part of our exciting Science topic on 'Earth and Space', Year 5 embarked on a stellar field trip to the award-winning National Space Centre in Leicester. This immersive experience brought the universe to life for our young astronauts. During our visit, students had the chance to explore various galleries, stood in awe beneath the iconic 42-metre Rocket Tower, and took a breath taking journey through the cosmos in the UK's largest planetarium, the Sir Patrick Moore Planetarium. It was a fantastic opportunity for hands-on learning, sparking curiosity, and making stellar discoveries outside the classroom.



## Free Family Day Out in the Easter Holidays - Nurse Dessie Story Time!

Mary Seacole is running a free family story event at The Place Bedford on 9th April! Discover the inspiring story of the Windrush Generation and Mary Seacole through interactive storytelling, fun activities, and free activity packs for children. All tickets and snacks are free - a fun and educational day for the whole family.

Doors open at 10:00 am, with the show starting at 11:00 AM.

Booking via:



For further information please contact: [jbignall@maryseacoleha.com](mailto:jbignall@maryseacoleha.com)



## TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

Times Tables Rock Stars is an excellent resource that we have available for children to practise their times tables online! It is a fun and exciting way for children to become fluent at their times tables.

## Year 1 Church Trip

On Wednesday afternoon, the Year 1 children enjoyed a visit to St Luke's church. They have been learning about the features of a church and why churches are sacred to Christians. It was a great opportunity for the children to see these features face to face.

We were given a tour of the church and spotted many features that we have been learning about. We were so proud of how well the children represented Leagrave and the amazing questions they asked. Well done Year 1!



# Electronic Tracking Devices/AirTags

A reminder to parents/carers that electronic tracking devices such as AirTags or similar Bluetooth/GPS tags are not safe or appropriate for tracking children and are therefore **not permitted in school or on school trips**, as clearly outlined in our policies. These devices are designed for locating property, not people, and can be unreliable, inaccurate, or accessed by unintended third parties, raising privacy, safeguarding, and data-protection concerns.

# School Photographs

On Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March, the children will be having their class photographs taken.

Please ensure your child has their school jumper/cardigan on the day.



# Symbols of Faith

As part of Faith Week, Year 4 were pleased to welcome Mr Singh, a representative of the Guru Nanak Gurdwara in Luton. He spoke to the children about what it is like being a Sikh, about the Gurdwara and about his experiences.

The children were particularly interested in learning about the 5K's, symbols of faith for Sikhs, and were also surprised to see a picture of King Charles sitting on the floor when he visited the Gurdwara in 2022.



Dr Pooky Knightsmith

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## When school feels impossible

Practical strategies for parents & carers supporting children who are struggling to attend school

Key topics covered include:

- Why "can't vs won't" changes everything
- Breaking the shame cycle for children, parents, and professionals
- What recovery actually looks like (and it's not just attendance)
- The green shoots of progress you might be missing
- What children need from the adults around them
- Practical strategies for mornings, after-school decompression, and holidays
- Building honest partnership between home and school

TIME: 10am – 1pm  
DATE: 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2026  
VENUE: St. Mary's Church Hall, Church Street  
LU1 3JF



Scan here for more details

Free places for Luton parents and carers

To book your place - Email your name and email address to: [SENS.Training1@luton.gov.uk](mailto:SENS.Training1@luton.gov.uk) with EBSA event in the subject heading. Booking closes 48hrs before the session.



ATTENDANCE WINNETZ

A big congratulations to the following classes:

ATTENDANCE WINNETZ

Attendance winners 2M and 6B for week commencing 2<sup>nd</sup> February.



Attendance winners and 5E and 6C for week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> February.



ATTEND TODAY  
ACHIEVE TOMORROW



Attendance: 9<sup>th</sup> February 2026 - 27<sup>th</sup> February 2026

	Attendance	Class	Attendance
Honeybee	92%	4W	97%
Butterfly	90%	5E	99%
1SK	98%	5H	98%
1D	99%	5A	99%
2A	95%	6B	98%
2M	99%	6M	96%
3A	96%	6C	99%
3S	96%		
4B	95%	Whole School	96%

Our whole school attendance target is 97%.



# AWARDS



Nylah	-	Butterfly
Aamaal	-	Honeybee
Khalia	-	1D
Marah	-	1SK
Amshini	-	2A
Sofia	-	2M
Ashlyn	-	3A
Amela	-	3S
Aron	-	4B
Hajrah	-	4W
Nashawn	-	5A
Austin	-	5H
Yusra	-	5E
Khadijah	-	6B
Rahima	-	6C
Amina	-	6M

Congratulations to the above children for being selected to receive a WOW Award! We hope you enjoyed your visit to the book vending machine and reading your new book!

