



Lea C of E Primary School & Gateway Lodge Nursery

# NEWSLETTER



**EVERYONE COUNTS** 'Our school is a welcoming, inclusive community where everyone counts'



Our Value for this Half Term is:

## Service

& we are

## Celebrating Pentecost

## SATS

Well done to everyone in Year 6, who worked really hard last week whilst undertaking their SATS! They demonstrated great resilience and a fantastic, positive attitude to their learning, trying their best in everything that they did.

We are extremely proud of every member of Year 6 and hope that they have a well deserved rest over the half term break.

## CLASS NEWS!

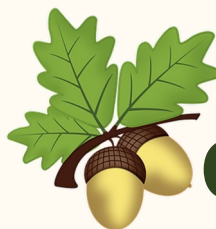
Below you will find links to the website news pages for each individual class; including Forest School and Nursery. These pages will be updated regularly, to enable parents to see more of what their child/children have been doing in school; we are able to upload far more content this way, than via our newsletter. We hope that you will still enjoy seeing what the rest of the school have been doing too!



Willow  
Class



Rowan  
Class



Oak  
Class



## **Village Hall Field**

We have had a polite request for children not to climb the tree in the bottom corner of the Village Hall Carpark; there have been occasions when children have been peering over into the gardens of local residents and some stick throwing, when residents are trying to quietly enjoy their garden. We ask please that you supervise your children closely when playing on the field.

Thank you

## **Dates for the Summer Term**

Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Cultural Diversity Day in School
<b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>½ Term Holiday</b>
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 Residential trip to London
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 Residential to Whitemoor Lakes
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Y1 & Y2 Phonics Screening Checks and Y4 Times Table Checks, in school
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Summer Fete on School Field 3.15-5.15pm
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> - Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Dene Magna Transition Week
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Leavers Service Hereford Cathedral
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	1st Play Session for new Reception Children 1.30-2.45pm
W/c 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Last Week of Teacher-led Clubs
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Sports Day with picnic lunch at 12.10 pm
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	New Reception Parents' Induction Evening
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	2nd Play Session for new Reception Children 1.30-2.45pm
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Class Changeover Afternoon and Herefordshire Transition to Secondary Day for Y6
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole School Beach Trip
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5 & Y6 Class Play Performance to Parents: revised start time of 6.00pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5 & Y6 Class Play Performance to Parents: revised start time of 6.00pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Reports to Parents
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 9.30am @ Lea Church	Year 6 Leavers service
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Last Day of Term: School finishes at 2pm - No afterschool Care</b>

# Summer Fête

FRIDAY 20TH JUNE

3-5PM

Tombola

Raffles

Bouncy Gastle

Face Painting

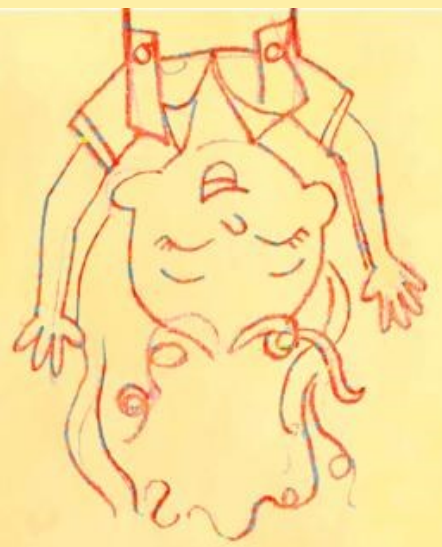
Skittles

2nd Hand Uniform Sale

BBQ & Refreshments

Ice Cream

Home Made Cakes & MORE!



FREE  
ENTRY



# Leading the way in Health and Wellbeing!



We are thrilled to announce a remarkable achievement: **Lea Primary School** has become the first primary school in Herefordshire to receive the prestigious 'Healthy Schools' Public Health Accreditation!

Over the past year, our dedicated staff have teamed up with the Council's Healthy Schools Co-ordinators to champion four key pillars of a healthy lifestyle:

- ✓ Physical activity
- ✓ Healthy food, drink, and oral health
- ✓ PSHE (Personal, Social, and Health Education)
- ✓ Emotional health and wellbeing

We were very pleased to welcome Vicky and Suzanne, the programme's co-ordinators, into school recently, to present us with the official award — a proud moment for the entire Lea School community!

This exciting milestone is more than just an award; it's a testament to our unwavering commitment to creating a happy, healthy environment where our pupils can truly thrive.

Everyone at Lea CE Primary is incredibly proud to be setting the standard for health and wellbeing in schools — today, tomorrow, and beyond!



## A reminder for the rest of the year and for September, regarding School Uniform

School Uniform for girls is a formal dark grey skirt or pinafore, or school trousers (**NOT leggings, stretch trousers or stretch tube jersey style skirts**). Summer dresses can be worn during the warmer months.

Parents /carers should also be mindful to ensure the skirts are not too short please. Knee length or longer is ideal. Many girls also choose to wear short black cycling shorts under their skirts, particularly in the summer months.

Shoes should have a buckle / velcro or laces for older children. Dolly style shoes without a strap, are not suitable for school.

Please remember that PE kit is black shorts and a white t-shirt. School sweatshirt or School hoodie can be worn in colder months as can dark coloured tracksuit bottoms.



# SPORTS DAY

**Tuesday 2nd July**

**Timings are as follows:**

- ◆ Nursery Sports: 11.15am - 12.00 noon
- ◆ Parent and Family Picnic on the school field: 12.00 - 12.45 pm
- ◆ School Sports Day: 1.00 - 3.15pm (bring your trainers too!)

Activate will once again be running our school sports day.

Parents and Carers are invited to bring and share a picnic with their children at lunch time. Please bring your own chair / blanket.

Any children whose family will not be attending the picnic lunch, will be able to have their picnic lunch with their class teacher / lunch time staff.

***There will be no hot meals from the kitchen on this day***, however parents will be able to order a sandwich-lunch in the usual way.

## Ledbury Rugby Club Schools Tournament 2025 Winners of the Silver Plate

It was a pleasure to take a group of Year 5 and 6 children to Ledbury Rugby Club, last Friday, 16th May, to participate in the Ledbury Rugby Club Tournament, sponsored by Weston's Cider and Malvern College.

There were around 30 schools participating; our children were brilliant and really worked as a team throughout the whole day. We managed to keep cool (ish) and keep our cool! We won two out of three games in our first pool and won one, lost one and drew one in our second pool. Supported by our large number of tries across the day, we managed to win the Silver Plate across the two pools we played in. Amazing - well done guys!



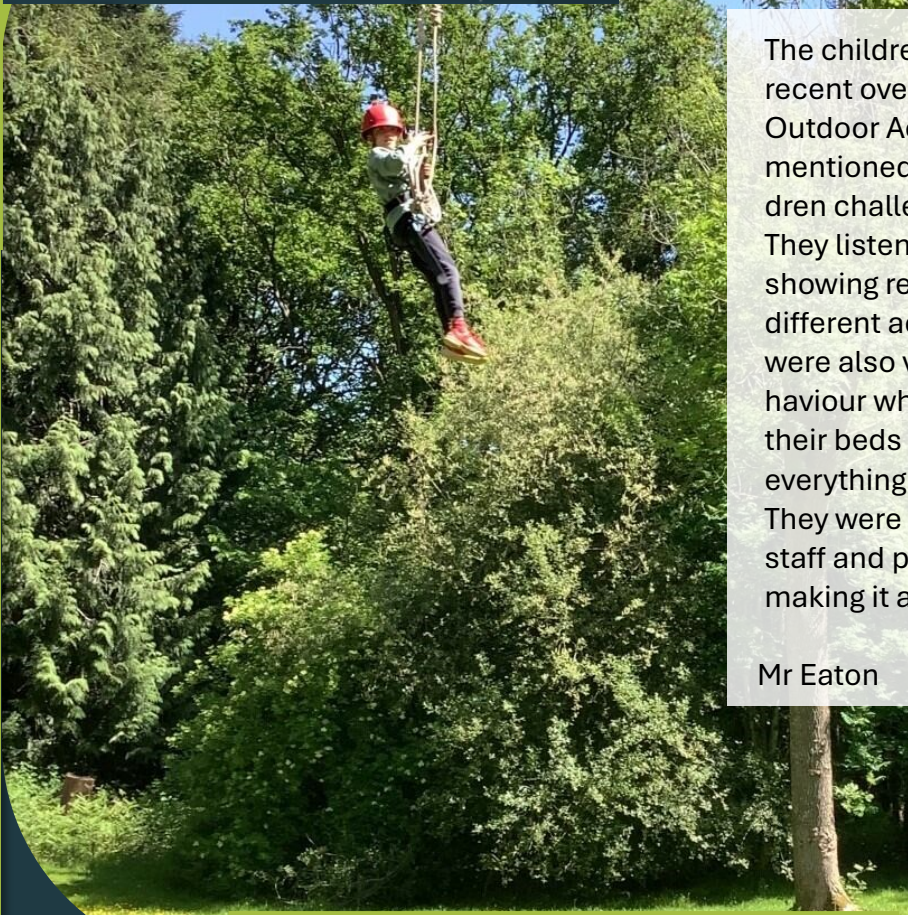
We must say a huge thank you to Mr Long, who supported us and coached us throughout the day - we couldn't have achieved this success without him.

***Well done again...  
You thoroughly  
deserved the win!***

# Oaker Wood

The children were brilliantly behaved on our recent overnight visit to OakerWood Outdoor Activity Centre and the instructors mentioned many times how well the children challenged themselves. They listened and worked well as a team, showing resilience and bravery on all the different activities. Myself and Mrs Smith were also very proud of the children's behaviour whilst at the campsite; making sure their beds were made, rooms left tidy, and everything cleared away after mealtimes. They were polite and friendly to all Gorsley staff and pupils who shared the site with us making it a fantastic first residential trip!

Mr Eaton





**It's that time of year , when our rising 5's start their transition session in Willow Class.**

Mrs Cook and Mrs Kendall have been to visit the nursery a few times already, getting to know the children. Now, the children have started to have short sessions in Willow class and have thoroughly enjoyed exploring their future classroom and outdoor space.



After half term, we look forward to lots of exciting events we have coming up, including Nursery Sports Day, Graduation and our end-of-year Nursery Party.



## Raffle Tickets

**Please don't forget to return any sold tickets to the school office or to a PTFA member.  
We have some amazing prizes!**

**Every ticket sold really does count and helps towards the PTFA's fundraising for our school.**

**Any that you can not sell, please just return to school so that they can be redistributed... and if you would like more, please just ask!**

# Come out and PLAY at Lea Village Hall

**7<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>  
August 2025  
1.30-3.30 pm  
All the usual  
fun with  
Everyday  
PLAY!**



no need  
to book-  
just come  
and join in!

**Summer fun  
messy play and  
a campfire!**



Thank you to Nourse Charity  
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For more information contact Jo Dainty [everydayplayjd@gmail.com](mailto:everydayplayjd@gmail.com)

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ALLSTARZ  
Etc



**FREE  
INTAKE SESSIONS**

**SATURDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY  
TUESDAY 3RD JUNE  
& WEDNESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**

**Intake sessions** for our popular **Cheer, Dance, and Ninjas** programs - we'd love to welcome new faces!

**Session Dates:**

- **Tuesday 3rd June:** Cheer
- **Wednesday 4th June:** Cheer, Dance & Ninjas

Families can **book a spot via this link:**

<https://hosted-uk.coacha.app/DKFOYCRD>

If parents would like more information, they're welcome to drop us a message – we're happy to help!

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[www.3degreezallstarz.com](http://www.3degreezallstarz.com)

The Spring edition of the Raring2go magazine is now available.

It's full of features and ideas, with a 'what's on guide' covering April, May and June.

Just click on the link below:

<https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/herefordandworcester/spring2025/>

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West Midlands SAFARI PARK

NEW BRAMBLE BUNNY SHOW!

**EASTER**  
Eggstravaaganza

12<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>th</sup> APRIL

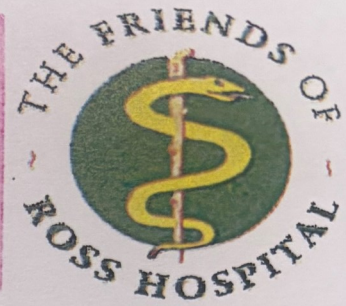
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**THE FRIENDS OF  
ROSS HOSPITAL**



# *Summer Fête*

**At Ross Community Hospital  
Garden**

**On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>. June 2025  
From 2p.m. to 4p.m.**

**Featuring Ross  
Town Band.**



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**Our Usual Stalls**

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