

# Leigh St Mary's CE Primary School

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## School News...

It's been another wonderful week here at Leigh St Mary's – full of creativity, exploration and celebration! Our school continues to shine as a warm, caring and happy community where children love to learn and grow together.

Our Reception and Year 1 children have been making the most of their Forest School sessions, enhancing their learning through outdoor adventures.

Reception have been fully immersed in 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' by Michael Rosen, bringing the story to life through imaginative play and exploration.

Year 1 have been thinking all about hibernation, using natural materials to build cosy dens for different animals - fantastic preparation for writing their own super sentences in English.

In Year 2, children have begun their exciting art focus on maps. They've been exploring how art can represent journeys and places, and today they created stunning collage artworks in relief – the results are truly impressive!

Our Key Stage 2 pupils have also had a brilliant week. We are so proud of our talented Year 4 and Year 6 dancers, who represented our school wonderfully at the Healthy School Awards. What an honour to be asked to both open and close the ceremony! A huge thank you to Mrs Ellison for her fantastic choreography and for promoting our healthy school ethos so brilliantly.

As always, it's been a joy to see our children learning, creating and shining together. Well done, everyone, for another fantastic week at Leigh St Mary's! Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Watson 😊

*Making electrical circuits in Year 4 was very exciting this week! Lots of smiles and happy faces as the children worked out how to light up their bulb. Well done Year 4!*



# School Updates / Dates for Your Diary

- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October- School Photographs
- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October – 'Book Look' for all families after school
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October – school finishes for half term
- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – school opens for Autumn term 2



## Celebration Assembly Award



### Love to Learn Award:

Jeffrey, Isabel, Archie, Charlie, Caleb & Evie-May

### Diamond Behaviour Award:

Bethel, Freddie, Mckenzie, Eddie, Harvey & Teddy

### Pride & Presentation Award:

Eloise, Olivia M, Sheldon, Matilda, Marley & Theodore

### Health & Fitness Award::

Grace, Arielle, Olivia S, Wade, Ruby & Harley-May

### Values Trophy: Melody & Lily

### Red Carpet Reading:

Kaden, Bethel, Tyler, Harlie, Nick, Mahasen, Mckenzie & Adrian

### Diamond Diner Award:

Jeffrey, Leondre, Amy, Xyla, Charlotte & George

### Head Teacher Award:

Year 6 & 4 Dancers & Year 1

Attendance Superstars: Reception 99.2%



Well Done to everyone!



## Other News...

### Applications for Secondary School

Parents of our Year 6 pupils can now apply for their child's high school place through Wigan Council. Applications can be made online by following this link:

<https://www.wigan.gov.uk/resident/education/schools/School-Admissions/Secondary-Schools.aspx>

Please make sure applications are completed before the deadline so that your child's place is secured.

### Applications for Reception 2026

If your child was born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022, they will start reception class at the start on the new school year in September 2026.

The online application service and details of how to apply for a place in reception class for September 2026 are available on the link below:

<https://www.wigan.gov.uk/resident/education/schools/school-admissions/primary-schools.aspx>

Before applying for a Reception class place, parents must read the online booklet as it contains important information about the application process.

### Playground at Drop off and Collection times

A calm and safe start and end to the school day is really important for all of our children. We kindly ask that children remain with their grown-ups at drop off and collection times, rather than running around the playground. This helps us to make sure everyone is safe and ensures the start of the day feels calm and positive. It also gives children the chance to come into school settled and ready for learning.

Thank you for your support in helping us keep these important routines running smoothly.

### Road Safety Around School

Thank you to all our families for helping to keep our children safe on their journeys to and from school. We are pleased that new traffic calming measures have been introduced around school to make the roads safer for everyone. To support this, we kindly ask you to park safely and walk your child into the school grounds. By working together and showing care for one another, we can create a calm and safe environment for our children and our school community. Thank you for your support with this.



Well done to our amazing dancers from Year 4 and 6 who performed at The Edge on Thursday. We were asked to open and close the Healthy School Awards this year. We are proud to be part of the Wigan Healthy School Award and excited to receive our certificate again. Thank you to Mrs Ellison and our super dancers. Remember...keeeeeeep dancing! 😊

