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School News

What a wonderful week we have had at Leigh St Mary's!

One of the highlights was our Autumn Fest after school on Wednesday. It was lovely to welcome so many families to enjoy sweet treats together - the chocolate fountain was a definite hit! We also enjoyed the wonderful bakes entered into the Leigh St Mary's Bake Off. Congratulations to our winner, Daisy from Reception, and our runner-up, George P from Year 3!

There were lovely autumn crafts and plenty of photo opportunities, making it a memorable afternoon for our school community. Thank you to everyone who stayed after school to support the event. A special thank you goes to Friends of School and our School Business Manager, Mrs Fitzsimmons, for organising such an enjoyable occasion.

Our Year 5 dancers also took part in the Wigan Healthy Schools Award Ceremony this week. We were delighted to be invited to perform again and thrilled to receive our Healthy School Award. Well done to all our dancers for representing Leigh St Mary's so brilliantly! Thank you to Mrs Ellison for a wonderful dance routine and championing active learning throughout school.

Thank you for your continued support.
Have a super weekend!
Mrs Watson 😊

School Updates / Dates for Your Diary

- Tuesday 20th October – Book Look
- Monday 26th – Friday 30th October – half term
- Saturday 31st October – deadline for secondary school applications
- Wednesday 11th November – school photos
- Friday 13th November – Children in Need – spotty or non-uniform outfits
- Friday 4th December – non uniform day for Christmas prizes
- Tuesday 8th December – Reception and KS1 Nativity - morning
- Wednesday 9th December – KS2 Christingle – afternoon
- Tuesday 15th December- Christmas Fair – after school
- Monday 21st December – Tuesday 5th January – Christmas holidays
- Monday 15th – Friday 19th February 2026 – half term
- Thursday 25th March – Friday 9th April – Easter holidays
- Friday 28th May – Friday 4th June – half term
- Thursday 22nd July – Friday 3rd September – Summer holidays 2027



Celebration Assembly Awards



Love to Learn Award:

Azzura, Frankie, Casey, George E, Elliot, Zohaib & Jack

Diamond Behaviour Award:

Olivia D, Avayah, Evie, Lola-Rose, Ella, Peniel & Elsie

Pride & Presentation Award:

Matilda H, Mahasen, Luna, Jensen, Joshua, Albie & Tilly-Mae

Spelling Star:

Zidan, Hugo, Louie, Ramysa, Antoni, Kiyaan & Aurora

Health & Fitness Award::

Eliza, Year 5 Dancers, Edward, Harvey, Elliot, Maya & Noel

Values Trophy: Aviana & Tilly-Mae

Red Carpet Reading: Sophie D, Willow A, Halle T & Matilda R

Red Teds:

Mozeedah, Harper A, Sofia, Roman, Esme, Phoebe, Sultan

Emelia & Maddox

Diamond Diner Award: Rowan, Hugo, Casey, Marley, Mozeedah, Ecaterina & Ivy

Attendance: Year 3 & Year 5 97.7%

Head Teacher Award: Year 6 & Year 1

Well Done to everyone!

Other News…

Secondary School Admissions

Parents and carers of children in Year 6 can apply for a secondary school place for September 2027. Applications must be submitted by Saturday 31 October 2026. Please visit the Wigan Council secondary school admissions page for further information and to apply.
https://www.wigan.gov.uk/resident/education/schools/School-Admissions/Secondary-Schools.aspx

Reception Admissions 2027

The portal is now open to apply for Reception places for September 2027. If your child was born between 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023, they will start reception class at the start of the new school year in September 2027. Here is the link to the Wigan Admissions Portal:
https://www.wigan.gov.uk/resident/education/schools/school-admissions/primary-schools.aspx

Allergy Forms and Food Safety

All children have been sent home with an allergy information forms. We are still outstanding some forms. Please complete and return this to school as soon as possible. We need a completed form for every child, even if your child does not have any known allergies.
We would also like to remind families that nuts and products containing nuts should not be brought into school. This includes food brought in for snacks and packed lunches. This is an important part of helping us to keep children with allergies safe.
Finally, if you are sending grapes into school as part of your child's snack or packed lunch, please make sure they are cut lengthways into smaller pieces to reduce the risk of choking.
Thank you for helping us to keep everyone at Leigh St Mary's happy, healthy and safe.

So much to celebrate!

Well done to our incredible Bake Off winners. Daisy was the overall winner with George P as runner up. Thank you for creating such amazing, delicious bakes.



