# Leigh St Mary's CE Primary School

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Well done to all the children for a fantastic start to the new school year!



# School News...

Welcome to the first news letter of the new school year. What a lovely start it has been! The staff have been incredibly proud of how well the children have settled back into school routines. An extra special welcome to our new Reception Class and their parents. The children have been enjoying getting to know the Reception team, their new classroom and the school environment. It has been lovely to see them making new friends and exploring new learning opportunities. Well done everyone! We have lovely news to share with you all. Miss Rothwell gave birth to her beautiful baby boy, Alistair last week. Mum and baby are doing really well and little Aubrey is a very proud big sister. We send our love and congratulations to all the family.

Children throughout school have been reading 'The King who Banned the Dark' by Emily Haworth-Booth and have been using the text to inspire writing in English lessons and creative artwork.

At the start of the new school year, our values focus has been around showing kindness to all. We have been thinking about how we can be kind to ourselves too. Why not take time to ask your child about they ways they can show kindness to themselves and others?

Thank you to all our families for such a supportive start to the new term. I hope you all have a great weekend.

Mrs Watson 😉

## School Updates / Dates for Your Diary

- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September, 9.00am reading meeting in the hall for Reception and KS1 parents
- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September, 3.30pm reading meeting in the hall for Reception and KS1 parents
- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September, 3.30pm Harvest Fest
- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 9.15am Harvest Service at Parish Church
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October break up for half term



Love to Learn Award:

Leo, Summer, Zidan, Libby, Manahil & Charlotte

Diamond Behaviour Award:

Jacob, Kaden, Ayla, Olivia, Preston & Ruby

Pride & Presentation Award:

Emma, William, Kennedy, Megan, George & Marley

Health & Fitness Award:

Ella, Eadie, Leo, Finley, Grace & Sonny

Diamond Dining:

Thea, Jack, Freddie, Aiden, Imran & Halle

Head Teacher Award:

Whole School

Attendance Award:

Year 1 97.1 %



## Other News...

### **School Day Start Time**

Thank you so much for supporting our new morning arrangements. As a reminder, our official school day starts at 8.45am. Registers are taken at 8.45am. To support this earlier registration, the gates open at 8.35am and children go into class at 8.40am, ready for registration at 8.45am. The school gates close at 8.45am. Any children arriving after 8.45am need to enter school via the main entrance at the school office. Children arriving after 8.45am but before 9.15am will receive a late mark. Those arriving after 9.15am, will be classed as being absent for their morning session and lose their entire morning attendance mark. This is in line with statutory Department for Education attendance legislation.

#### **Harvest Service at Church**

On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October we invite families to join us for our annual Harvest Service at Church. The service will aim to start at 9.15am and will be led by our Year 6 Team Worship. We kindly ask that a maximum of 2 family members per child attend so that we have enough room in Church for everyone.

#### **Harvest Fest**

On Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September Friends of Leigh St Mary's will be celebrating harvest with Harvest Fest. The fundraising event will take place after school and will be fun for all the family. Look out for further information coming soon.

