



LEYBOURNE SS PETER & PAUL C E PRIMARY ACADEMY

Rectory Lane North, Leybourne, Kent, ME19 5HD

The Bulletin

11th October 2019

The term dates and events for the current academic year are published on the School website calendar:

<https://www.leybourne.kent.sch.uk/calendar-2/>

The calendar can be linked to your phone by clicking the subscribe button and following the on-screen instructions.

Attendance Target 96.7% Week ending 11th October 2019	
Year R	97.4%
Year 1	97.5%
Year 2	98.5%
Year 3	97.9%
Year 4	94.8%
Year 5	94.4%
Year 6	97.5%
Whole School	96.8%

House Points		
House	This week's Points	Running Total
St Andrew	1816	9051
St David	2234	10,000
St George	1617	9976
St Patrick	2248	9048

Stars of the Week	
Year 1	Cody H, Ben W
Year 2	Ted S, Noah Y
Year 3	Thomas B, Florence W
Year 4	George C, Tilly G, Joe R
Year 5	Elysse F, Olivia G, Polly S, Isla W
Year 6	Catherine L, Lucy M, Naomi M

Blytheswood Care Shoe Box Appeal

Blytheswood Care have confirmed that they will be collecting the shoeboxes week commencing 4th November 2019, therefore, we would be grateful if you could please hand in your Christmas Shoeboxes by this date. Thank you for your continuing support.

We promote the learning and development of all children to achieve their full potential in a caring, happy Christian environment



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Harvest Festival

Thank you so much to everyone for the kind donations for Harvest. We had a lovely service with prayers led by Fr Matthew. Here is a photo of the lovely display of your generous gifts which will be taken to The Pilsdon Community in West Malling.



Staffing

I am delighted to confirm that we have appointed Mrs Tanuja Pattanshetti to cover Mrs Mockler's maternity leave. Mrs Mockler's last day with us before beginning maternity leave is next Friday, 18th October 2019. Mrs Pattanshetti will be teaching Year 3 on Mondays to Wednesdays, and, as I have stated previously, I will be teaching them on Thursdays and Fridays. Mrs Pattanshetti is an experienced teacher and has previously taught in Wateringbury and Shipbourne Primary Schools. Mrs Pattanshetti has already met her new class and is very much looking forward to joining us next term. We welcome her to the Leybourne team and hope she enjoys her time with us.

We are currently advertising for a Year 2 teacher to join us in April. I have been extremely pleased with the amount of interest we have had in both of our teaching posts. We have received a number of exceptionally strong applications for both positions, and I am confident that we will appoint an outstanding teacher for Year 2 when we interview next week. Details of this appointment will obviously follow in due course.

Dates on the school website

Please note that the school website calendar can be linked to your calendar on your phone, this will mean that any changes will automatically be updated for you. To add the calendar please go to the school website and click on the calendar. At the bottom of the page is a subscribe button - you just need to select the application you are using on your phone (Apple, Google or Outlook) and it will then automatically be added. A reminder of this will feature at the top of this, and future, Bulletins.

PTFA Bag 2 School

The PTFA will once again be collecting "Bag 2 School" donations of good quality adult and children's clothing, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, bedding, curtains and towels. (Please note that they do not accept duvets, pillows or cushions). Bags will be sent home today with your child and they do mention that soft toys can also be donated. However, the PTFA will also be collecting soft toys for the Teddy Tombola which will be one of their stalls at the Christmas Fayre. The bags will be collected on Tuesday 26th November at 9:00am. Bags can be dropped off at the school office prior to this date.

PTFA Harvest Hamper Raffle

We are very pleased to announce that the Harvest Hamper raffle has raised £131.00, this will be split between Leybourne Ss Peter & Paul Church and the school. Thank you for your support.

The winning ticket was number 360 and the hamper was won by Mrs Fox. Congratulations!

Parking and Driving

I am very sorry to say that I have received a number of complaints from local residents recently, all understandably concerned about the dangerous and inconsiderate parking of some parents around the school. Complaints have included concerns about the reckless speed at which some people are driving along Oxley Shaw Lane at the beginning and end of the school day, when children are crossing the road and riding their bikes; and dangerous parking along Castle Way and Oxley Shaw Lane which impedes people getting past, notably through the chicanes. Please do take care to drive and park considerately and safely.

I must also remind all parents and carers that the staff car park is solely for the use of school staff and official visitors. It is not for the use of parents, or grandparents or other adults, dropping off, or picking up, children at either end of the school day – including for Breakfast Club or extra-curricular after school clubs. The car park simply is not big enough to accommodate the extra traffic and, once again, children are being put at risk by people not driving appropriately. If you have a legitimate need to use the car park, for instance if you are collecting a poorly child or a child with an injury, please do speak to me in advance in order for your use of the car park to be authorised. Thank you for your understanding.

PTFA Christmas Fayre

This will be held on Saturday, 23rd November between 12 noon and 3 pm, so please put the date in your diary and come along and support the PTFA!



Prayer of the Week

Father God, whose idea it was that seeds should grow and produce crops and fruits, we want to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your goodness and care, and for giving us enough to eat in the harvest of the land. Lord God, please also give us wisdom and good sense to use this harvest well, to honour you to meet our needs and to help those who are not so well off.

Amen

Have a wonderful weekend,

Tina Holditch

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