



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Thursday 5th September 2024



Headteachers Message



Dear Parents,

What a fantastic start to the term we have had this week! As I have walked around the school I have been so impressed with the way that your children have settled into their new classes and their work and how smart they look in their uniforms. It has been especially wonderful to welcome our new starters and their families to our school, I am sure they will enjoy their learning journey with us.

We are also excited to welcome several new members of staff to our school family. Miss Calvert, Mrs Kochanowska, Miss Brown and Mrs Parkinson will be supporting teaching and learning in Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 Explorers and Year 5 respectively.

Returning to teach at Lea we also have Miss Hall who will provide teaching support for PPA and interventions throughout school and Miss Wallace who is our Year 4 Adventurers teacher.

We are happy to announce that two members of staff married their fiancés over the summer and therefore Miss Roe is now Mrs Adams and Miss Scott is now Mrs O'Neill- congratulations to them all.

This year, the whole school focus (in line with DfE guidance), will again be attendance and punctuality. Please look out on Dojo's for more information from us about the Government's new attendance policy that came in to effect on Sept 1st 2024.

Best Regards

Lynne Slater - Head Teacher

Building Progress



A lot of building work has taken place over the summer holidays and good progress is being made with our school expansion.

Work over the summer has included:

- New equipment and refurbishment of the school kitchen
- New IT wiring and Wi-Fi access points
- Additional staff car parking
- Refurbishing the school library

In addition, work continues with the new extension building which will provide us with four new classrooms. It is very exciting to see the brickwork going up and we will provide updates on continued progress as the build continues.

A massive thank you to Warden Construction for their continued hard work with our expansion project.

New School times: 8.40-8.50am 3.20pm



Please be aware that school doors now open at 8:40am and registration will take place at 8:50am promptly. Children arriving after this time will need to use the office doors and sign in via our Inventry system. Children arriving after 8:50am will get a late mark and children arriving after 9:20am will get a U (unauthorised) mark for the morning session. School now finishes at 3.20pm please ensure arrangements are in place for your child to be collected or to attend School's Out.

Coffee Morning 'Smoke Free' Fri 13th Sept. 9-10am



Join us for a session about building awareness around the risks of smoking and vaping and how to support young people. This is open to everyone so we hope to see as many of you there as possible.

As always, coffee, cake and good company will come as standard.

Learning Evenings

17th September
Y1 - 6



24th September
EYFS

We will be holding a 'Learning Evening' on Tuesday 17th September for Years 1 to 6. This is a crucial opportunity for you to spend time with your child's class teacher who will discuss the learning that will be covered in the coming academic year and provide you with ideas on how to support your child at home with their learning. A learning evening for EYFS will be held on 24th September at 5pm.

Please note that there will be no clubs on this date.

Tuesday 17 September

3.30pm	Year 4 (both classes)
3.50pm	Year 5
4.10pm	Year 2
4.30pm	Year 3
4.50pm	Year 6
5.10pm	Year 1

Tuesday 24 September

5.00pm – EYFS/Reception (both classes)

Diner Money

Please be reminded that school dinners are now charged at £2.70 for KS2 children who pay for dinners

Uniform Donations

I am sure that many of our children have shot up over the summer! If you have any clean, good quality uniform that they have grown out of it would be gratefully received as a donation to our uniform bank via the school office.

Macmillan Coffee Morning 27th Sep 9-10am

Since 1990, Coffee Morning has brought together millions of people from across the UK to have fun and raise money for a good cause. Please join us for coffee and cake and raise some funds for this amazing charity. We would welcome any donation of cakes or small raffle prizes.

Get Involved in the Zombie-Style Knives and Machetes Surrender Scheme!



Lancashire Violence Reduction Network and Lancashire Constabulary are proud to be part of the nationwide surrender scheme set out by the Home Office. From 26 August to 23 September 2024, we're asking everyone to help make our communities safer by handing in any zombie-style knives or machetes you may have. This initiative aims to keep our streets safe by removing these dangerous weapons before new laws take effect on 24 September 2024. If you have one of these items, now's the time to act. You can also receive compensation for eligible items. Getting involved is easy—simply bring your weapon, safely wrapped, to your nearest police station during the surrender period. Let's work together to keep Lancashire safe! For more details and how to claim compensation, visit www.gov.uk/government/publications/compensation-scheme-for-zombie-knives-and-machetes. Thank you for helping to make our communities safer!

Open Day for EYFS applicants Sept 2025 Tuesday 1st Oct 2024

Please follow the link below to book a place on one of our school tours which is taking place on Tuesday 1st October 2024.

We are excited to welcome parents and children to our school in preparation for our September 2025 intake. Places are limited due to fire regulations, so please only book on to this tour if your child is starting school in September 2025.

<https://forms.office.com/e/D2NVMtuy7t>

Nursery@Lea Questionnaire








On behalf of Nursery@Lea we will be inviting you to complete a short questionnaire about nursery provision for under 2's. It would be extremely useful for the nursery team if you can spare a few minutes to give your views. We will be sending out the questionnaire tomorrow please look out for it.

Nasal Flu Vaccinations



If you would like your child to receive the nasal flu vaccine in school, please complete the consent form sent home this week and return it by 12/09/24. The vaccinations will take place here at school on 21st November 2024. If your child has already had the Nasal Flu vaccine since Sept 2024 then answer 'NO' on the consent page.

<p>EYFS-Y6 21/11/24</p>	<p>(Please note that this year they are offering the choice of nasal or injection methods based on the presence of porcine gelatine in the nasal spray)</p>
<p>PTFA Meeting Thurs 19th September 4pm</p> 	<p>All families of pupils at our school and staff are members of our PTFA. They run regular fundraising and social events for the whole school community. Their fundraising efforts have enhanced the education and experience of all of the children at Lea CPS and with your help will continue to do so. Our lovely PTFA are holding their first meeting of the year next Thursday 19th September at 4pm here in school. All parents, family members and staff are welcome to join them. All support is welcome - no matter how much or how little time you are able to give.</p>
<p>Extra-Curricular Clubs</p> 	<p>Look out for messages and links to extracurricular club sign-up sheets over the next few days. Our staff are just finalising a wide-ranging programme of extracurricular clubs across all key stages. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis with a reserve list for those who are unsuccessful. If your child chooses to attend a club it is important to stress to them that they will be expected to show commitment and attend every week. EYFS will be eligible to join clubs in the Spring term once they have fully settled in to school life 😊</p>
<p>School Photographs!</p> 	<p>The school photographer will be in school on Tuesday 24th September to take individual school photographs. So, looking smart and best smiles please! Sibling photographs of children within school will be organised during the day, but if you have younger or older children and would like a family photograph for all children the photographer will be available in school at 8.30am - please come to reception. If for any reason you DO NOT want your child to be photographed, please let us know in writing before 24th September.</p>
<p>School Admissions September 2025 Primary and Secondary Schools</p> 	<p>School admissions are now open! Secondary school admissions: If your child is in Year 6 you can now apply for their secondary school place at: www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools It's quick and easy to do and you will receive email confirmation of your application. You must apply even if you already have siblings in school. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your online application. The closing date for secondary applications for September 2024 is 23:59 on 31 October 2024. For guidance on school transport see: https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/school-transport/. Primary School Admissions: If your child is in their last year of pre-school/nursery you can now apply for their primary school place at: www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools It's quick and easy to do and you will receive email confirmation of your application. You must apply even if you already have siblings in school. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your online application. The closing date for primary applications for September 2025 is 23:59 on 15 January 2025.</p>
<p>Free School Meals</p> 	<p>Universal free school meals are an automatic entitlement for all children in EYFS, Y1 and Y2. If you get any of the qualifying benefits, your child's school can get extra funding, called pupil premium. If your child is in Y3 or above, your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the qualifying benefits.</p>

If your financial circumstances have changed and you think you may be eligible, please visit: <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/> to check eligibility and apply.

**Class
Assembly
Dates**



Look out for dates coming soon!
Please go to our website and subscribe to our school calendar which will drop dates into your own calendar.

<https://www.leacp.lancs.sch.uk/calendar/?calid=1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11&pid=6&viewid=5>

**Dates
for your
diary -
Autumn
Term**

6/9/24 - EYFS start full time
13/9/24 - Smoke free Coffee Morning 9am
17/9/24 - Learning Evenings (Y1-Y6)
19/9/24 - PTFA AGM @4:30pm (All welcome)
20/9/24 - SPAR Fitness Day (Whole school/All to come in PE Kits)
24/9/24 - Learning Evening EYFS 5pm
24/9/24 - Individual School Photos (family photos available from 8:30am)
27/9/24 - McMillan Coffee Morning @9am

