



# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026



## Headteachers Message



Dear Parents/Carers,

This week the children throughout the school have been really busy with Sustainability Week. It was lovely to see the sea of blue and green clothes on Wednesday for Earth Day.

One of the highlights this week for Year 1 was a visit from a parent, who came into school to share the exciting plans for Larches Wood and how it will be made more usable for the whole community. During the visit, the children were introduced to the flora, fauna and minibeasts that live in the woodland. They were fascinated to learn about the different plants and animals that make the wood their home. After the talk, the children continued their learning in class by discussing how they can help keep the environment safe for wildlife. They talked about the importance of not dropping litter and recycling rubbish so that animals and their habitats are protected.

Thank you very much to Mrs Hodgson-Priestley for giving her time to talk to the children.

Best regards

Lynne Slater - Head Teacher

## Weekly Tips & Signs

### National Year of Reading 2026

#### Tip of the week:

- Create a cosy, inviting reading space at home

**Makaton**- supporting emerging language and communication.

*This week's sign of the week is:*

*To help*



## Sustainability Week

This week while we have been celebrating **Sustainability Week** in school, each class has been focusing on the important message of **Reduce, Reuse, Recycle**.

The children have been learning what this means and how it can help protect our environment:

- **Reduce** - using less and avoiding waste where possible.
- **Reuse** - using items again instead of throwing them away.
- **Recycle** - sorting and processing materials so they can be made into new products.

Classes have also been discussing the theme **"We've got an important part to play"**, thinking about the small actions we can all take to help look after our planet.





Each class will be sharing what they have learned with the rest of the school during Friday's assembly.

## Eco Council

On Monday our Eco Council visited Eco Town in Leyland which is an exciting environmental education experience. It is divided into three districts; Materials, Mechanical, and Bio, featuring 13 streets to explore. They were inspired by the visit and are going to do a litter pick within the school grounds on Friday.

## Tag Rugby

A mixed **Year 5 and Year 6 Tag Rugby team** recently visited the **UCLAN Sports Arena** to take part in a local competition. The team played extremely well throughout the event and showed great teamwork and determination. They successfully reached the **semi-finals**, where they narrowly lost by just **one point**. Well done to everyone who took part for representing the school so positively!

<p><b>Toys and Trading Cards</b></p>	<p>We have recently noticed an increasing number of toys and collector/trading cards being brought into school. These items are <b>not allowed in school</b> as they can cause disagreements between pupils and may also get lost or damaged. We would appreciate your support in reminding children to keep these items at home.</p>
<p><b>Holiday Club</b></p>	<p>Schools Out are open for Holiday Club during May half term from 26th May until 2nd June and have some lovely activities planned. Please contact them directly if you would like to make a booking.</p>
<p><b>Headlice</b></p>	<p>We have had a number of repeated cases of head lice reported within school. Head lice are very common among children and are not related to hygiene. They can spread easily through close contact, which is why regular checking is so important. We kindly ask that you check your child's hair thoroughly at least once a week, and more frequently if possible. If you do find head lice, please treat them promptly using a recommended treatment and continue to check and comb the hair regularly to ensure they are fully removed, to prevent recurring infestation. Letting school know helps us monitor the situation and reduce further spread. Your support with regular home checks and prompt treatment makes a big difference in keeping cases to a minimum. Thank you for your cooperation and continued support.</p>
<p><b>Preston Play Strategy</b></p>  <p><b>Have your say!</b></p>	<p>Preston City Council, in partnership with <a href="https://www.proffitts.co.uk">Proffitts</a> is developing a new Play Strategy to guide future improvements and investment in play areas across the city over the next 10 years.</p> <p>As part of this work, they are keen to hear from local families and residents. This short survey is your chance to tell them which play areas you use, which ones you value most, and what makes them great places for children and families. Whether you use play areas regularly or just occasionally, your views will help shape future improvements and ensure investment is focused where it matters most. The survey only takes a couple of minutes to complete, and every response will help ensure that the future of play in Preston reflects the needs and priorities of local communities.</p> <p><a href="https://www.preston.gov.uk/consultations/preston-play-strategy">https://www.preston.gov.uk/consultations/preston-play-strategy</a></p>
<p><b>Y6 SATs Week</b></p> 	<p>Please be reminded that Y6 SATs week is week commencing 11<sup>th</sup> May Monday to Thursday. Please do not book any holidays or request any absences over this period.</p> <p>11/05/26 GPS Papers 1 &amp; 2  12/05/26 Reading Paper  13/05/26 Maths Papers 1 &amp; 2  14/05/26 Maths Paper 3</p> <p>We will be holding our annual SATs breakfasts for our Y6 children and more details will be available nearer the time.</p>
<p><b>Sports Day New Format</b></p> 	<p>As our school continues to grow, we are making a small change to the format of Sports Day this year. <b>Key Stage 2</b> children will take part in the morning, while <b>EYFS and Key Stage 1</b> events will take place in the afternoon of Friday 15/05/26. Fingers crossed for good weather! In the event the weather lets us down, our back up Sports Day will take place on Friday 05/06/26 instead.</p>
<p><b>Milk</b></p> 	<p>If you normally pay for milk and haven't yet resubscribed for milk this term, please log in to your account and do this ASAP if you would like your child to receive milk daily. Thank you.</p>

## School Trips



We have a number of exciting trips planned across the school this term. Our system will send reminder texts to help prompt you about upcoming payments. It is important that all families contribute towards the cost of their child's trip. Unfortunately, the school is unable to continue subsidising missed payments and, in some cases, trips may have to be cancelled if sufficient contributions are not received. SCOPay offers the option to pay in instalments over the months leading up to the trip, which can help spread the cost.

## £50 Energy Credit



We have partnered up with Octopus Energy to try and get some discounts for parents. If your gas/electricity is up for renewal, feel free to use our link to get £50 credit to your account.

Our organisation's unique link is:

<https://leacomunityprimaryschool.octopus.energy>

## Coffee Mornings



We are pleased to announce that we have put together a full programme of **Coffee Mornings** focusing on important subjects that affect families.

These informal sessions will offer parents and carers the opportunity to:

- meet other families in the school community
- enjoy a cup of coffee in a relaxed setting
- learn more about key issues impacting children and family life
- ask questions and access helpful advice and support

We hope these mornings will provide a friendly space for discussion and connection. Biscuits and cakes will be provided and everyone is welcome!

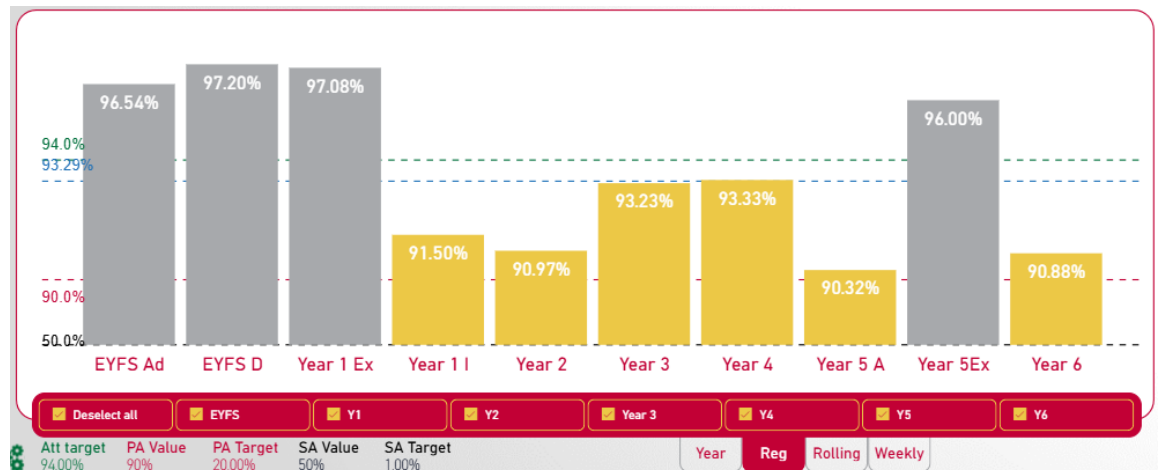
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 9.00am - Children & Families Well-being drop-in.
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June 9.00am - Coffee & chat with Mrs Green
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## Attendance



EYFS Discoverers were again the winners of the attendance award for w/e 27/03/26 - with **an attendance level of 97.2%**! They earned the honour of looking after Attendasaurus for a week.

Well done EYFS Discoverers!



If you have any concerns or worries about getting your child into school, please contact **Mrs Green** or **Miss Smith**, who will be happy to help

**Congratulations to our award winners from last week:**

We really are so proud of each and every one of you.

## End of Spring Term

**Award  
Winners**



CLASS	VIP	LL
EYFS Adventurers	Saketh	Theo R
EYFS Discoverers	Moririe	Jayden T
Y1 Explorers	Elijah	Anais
Y1 Innovators	Neve	Jaxon
Year 2	Ovie	Amelia
Year 3	Toms	William R
Year 4	Alexis	Pollyanna
Y5 Explorers	Owen	Samaira
Y5 Adventurers	Kai	Rubi
Year 6	Daniel	Maisie

**Class  
Assembly  
Dates**

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>

Class assembly dates. Assemblies start at 9.10am and are normally held on Thursday mornings.

Class	Date
Y2	30 <sup>th</sup> April 26
Y3	14 <sup>th</sup> May 26
EYFS Dis	12 <sup>th</sup> Jun 26
EYFS Ad	19 <sup>th</sup> Jun 26
Y4	3 <sup>rd</sup> July 26
Y6 Leavers	17 <sup>th</sup> July 26

**Dates  
for your  
diary -  
Spring  
Term  
2026**

20-24/04/26 - Sustainability Week  
 01/05/26 - Y6 Bring & Buy Sale  
 04/05/26 - Bank Holiday - School Closed  
 11-14/05/26 - Y6 SATs week  
 15/05/26- Sports Day KS2 am KS1 pm  
 20/05/26 - Transition Evening for new parents  
 22/05/26- Finish for Half Term 3.25pm  
 01/06/26 - INSET day  
 02/06/26 - INSET day  
 03/06/26 - Return after half term & INSETS  
 03-12/06/26 - Y6 Swimming Sessions  
 05/06/26 - Back up sports day KS2 am KS1 pm  
 18/06/26- Y4 Mayan Workshop  
 25/06/26 - Y5 Greek Workshop  
 26/06/26 - Y6 Guild Wheel Bike Ride  
 09/07/26 - Open Evening  
 15/07/26- Performing Arts Assembly  
 16/07/26- Award Assembly  
 17/07/26 - Finish for summer hols 1.30pm



# Lea Community Primary School Calendar 2025/26



September 2025							
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	School Holidays LCC		INSET Days		1.30pm Early Closure