



Friday 18th July 2025

Principal's Messages:



Good luck Year 6!

As the school year draws to a close, I want to take a moment to say a heartfelt well done to all our Year 6 pupils. They have worked incredibly hard, shown great resilience, and grown into confident, capable young people ready for the next exciting chapter of their journey.

We are immensely proud of everything they have achieved during their time at our school. Whilst it is always bittersweet to say goodbye, we know they are well-prepared for the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead in high school.

Staff and Governor Goodbyes

We will also be saying goodbye to some of our staff members today. Miss Tarry is leaving us to take on an exciting new role at Gainsborough Primary School in their SEN provision. Miss Tarry has been a valued member of staff at Leighton for over 10 years and she will be greatly missed.

Mrs Willis will be leaving us to take on a new teaching role at Audlem St. James School and Mr Pawley will be joining the team at Wheelock Primary School. Both teachers have made a positive impact on the school and built strong relationships with pupils, staff and parents alike. Good luck to you both in your new roles.

Miss Barlow joined us for a secondment in November 2023 and she will be returning to her substantive role as teacher at Westminster Nursery School in September. We would like to thank her for her hard work and dedication to the role during this time.

On behalf of the entire school community, I would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Diane Ridings for her remarkable service as Chair of Governors over the past ten years as she steps away from her role in governance. Diane's unwavering dedication, wisdom, and steady leadership have been a cornerstone of our school's journey. Guiding us through five Ofsted inspections with calm assurance and providing invaluable support to myself and the staff, she has helped shape a nurturing and ambitious environment for our pupils to thrive. Diane's commitment has left a lasting legacy, and we are deeply grateful for the time, care, and expertise she has so generously shared. Thank you for everything you have done to support our school's vision and success, Diane.



School Colours

Congratulations to Keira-Lou and Jamie from Y6 who were awarded School Colours in our Sports Presentation Assembly this week.

School Colours are awarded to pupils who have served Leighton Academy throughout their school careers. Both pupils have shown courage, tenacity, reliability and sportsmanlike behaviour. They have displayed excellent individual skills in their chosen sports, and above all been team players.

Word Millionaire Champions

A huge well done to all our pupils who have gained a Word Millionaire award this year. Special congratulations goes to Maddie in Y6 who will be added to our wall of fame for her record of 8 million words.

We are so proud of you and this will be tough to beat!



Pupil Reports

We hope you found your child's report useful and informative. If you haven't already done so, please could I ask that you complete our short feedback form via this link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/9JrRa2PrjQ>

School Uniform

Just a reminder that 'Badged', our uniform providers are already taking orders for uniform for September. Please place your orders as soon as possible to avoid any delays. Please see below a link to our website which gives full details of uniform requirements and a further link to the Badged website. Please can I ask you to pay particular attention to the policy and ensure that your child has the correct uniform, i.e.. a white shirt not a white polo t-shirt, black trousers or skirt not grey and all black shoes. Your continued support with this is most appreciated.

<https://www.leightonacademy.com/parents/uniform>

Leighton's Got Talent

This week we held a talent contest in school, organised by Miss Frodsham and the School Council. We are pleased to announce that the winning acts were Ruby from Y4 and Rosie, Piper, Isabelle and Faith from Y1.

The judges commented that there were so many fantastic acts and it was really tough to choose the final winners.

Well done to all involved!



To conclude my final newsletter of this year, I would like to thank all our families for your continued support, encouragement and partnership. It has been a joy to watch our children grow, learn and thrive together.

On behalf of all the staff, I wish you a happy, safe, and restful summer break. May it be filled with sunshine, laughter, and special memories with loved ones. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September, refreshed and ready for another exciting year ahead!

**Don't forget that school will reopen to pupils for the Autumn term on
Tuesday 2nd September 2025.**

Mrs Thompson