



Friday 7th March 2025

Principal's Messages:

This week's awards

RD and 6E were the winners of this week's Stronger Together awards. They have collected the most tokens for great examples of working hard and being kind.



Well done to the following children who were nominated for Principal's Award this week by their class teachers:

Alp Kuyucu for amazing progress in his assessments

Orbison Cook for excellent effort and progress in reading at home

Violet Brennan-Penny for hard work in phonics

Anishka Showkumar for excellent progress in her assessments

Parking

I have noticed a number of parents parking illegally on the zig zag lines outside of school and cars turning around in the laybys which causes significant risk to children coming in and out of school. I was also informed that a number of our children witnessed an altercation between two drivers that resulted in inappropriate language being used which has been reported to the police. I am sure you will all agree that behaviour of this kind is totally unacceptable and we wouldn't expect it from the children, therefore we certainly don't expect it from the parents. Please could I ask for your support in ensuring that you park safely and are conducting yourself appropriately in the presence of our children.



Food hygiene in our school kitchen

A huge well done to Kelly and our catering team who received a visit from Environmental Health this week and were awarded a 5 food hygiene rating!

Request for help

We are looking for some keen green-fingered volunteers who might be interested in helping with a project to give our allotment and forest area a much needed face lift over the summer months. If this is something you would be interested in, please make contact with the school office.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Thompson

**School will close for the Easter break on Friday 4th April 2025 and
reopen for the Summer term on Tuesday 22nd April 2025.**

School Meals

If your child is not entitled to a free school meal, please log onto their Arbor account to pay for their meal in advance of their order. School meals are £2.45 per day.

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Red Option	Margherita Pizza with Baked Potato Wedges	Homemade Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Roast Chicken with Creamy Mash Potato & Gravy	BBQ Chicken with Diced Potatoes	All Day Breakfast
Yellow Option	Vegetable Tikka Masala with 50/50 Rice	Vegetarian Chilli with 50/50 Rice	Vegan Sausage with Mash Potato & Gravy	Vegetarian Pasta Bake	Quorn Nuggets with Fries
Green Option	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato
Orange Option	Sandwich Selection	Sandwich Selection	Sandwich Selection	Sandwich Selection	Sandwich Selection
Desserts	Marble Sponge	Jam & Coconut Sponge & Custard	Lemon Cake	Syrup Sponge	Ice Cream
	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt
Seasonal Vegetables and Salad Bar					

Term Time Absence Requests

As detailed in our Attendance Policy, and in line with DfE guidance, we do not authorise leave of absence during term other than when exceptional circumstances permit.

If you wish to take your child out of school during term time, it is important to discuss this with us as much in advance as possible, so we can guide you through the process. However, where absence is unauthorised, it could lead to further action being taken including a penalty notice being issued. Department for Education information regarding this is available by clicking [here](#).

[Leave of Absence Request Online Form](#)

Attendance Matters

Here are our attendance figures for this week

Our school target:	96%	
Overall school attendance this week:	95.07%	
Overall school attendance this year:	93.7%	
RB – 94.67%	2S – 100% ★	5F – 99.68%
RD – 98.97%	3J – 93.87%	5S – 93.33%
1J – 88.7%	3P – 93.55%	6E – 96%
1L – 86.67%	4S – 95.45%	6H – 94.98%
2P – 96.33%	4W – 97%	



On Thursday, everyone at Leighton got comfy and cosy in their PJs to enjoy a day all about books and the love of reading! The children had a great time and loved having the opportunity to share their favourite books, comics, poems and plays.

Pyjama Rama

