



September 15th 2023

Laleham Lea

A Catholic Independent School for boys and girls aged 3 to 11

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Dear Parents

We have enjoyed a wonderful week of learning as we have settled into our first full week of the new academic year.

Thank you to all of the parents who attended the drop in session on Monday with Ms Ryan and myself. It was lovely to meet so many of you. Thank you again for all your messages of support and well-wishes.

Next Monday evening we have our Secondary Transfer Evening from 6pm for parents of students in Years 4-6. Ms Ryan will be talking through the different processes for applications to Grammar, Maintained and Independent Schools. We are also happy to be welcoming Mr Beck, Registrar from Whitgift, Mrs Isaac, Head of Biology at Wallington Girls' School and Miss Cottam, Assistant Head teacher from St Philomena's' Catholic High School to give parents a bit more information about their schools and the application process. Doors open at 5:45pm, we look forward to seeing you there.

Next Wednesday, Mrs Jose and I will be accompanying a group of our Year 6 students who have been chosen to represent the school at the 'Beginning of a New Year Mass' at St George's Cathedral.

Fresh School photography were in the Long Room this morning talking individual and sibling photographs. The QR order codes for these will be sent home shortly.

You should have also received an NHS Nasal Flu form this week, please ensure these are returned asap (even if you do not wish your child to have the vaccine.)

Wishing you all a lovely, sunny weekend.

Mrs M Reece

Acting Head Teacher

Matthew 18:21-35



Peter went up to Jesus and said, "Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?" Jesus answered, "Not seven, I tell you, but

seventy-seven times." Then Jesus told them this story: "There was a king with many servants. One of them owed the king an enormous amount of money. The servant could not pay so he begged for more time to pay his debt. The king felt so sorry for him that he let him go and even cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him a very small amount of money; but he would not give him time to pay and instead had him thrown into prison. When the news reached the king, he sent for the unforgiving servant. 'You wicked servant,' the king said, 'I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?' Then the king sent the unforgiving servant to prison to be punished."

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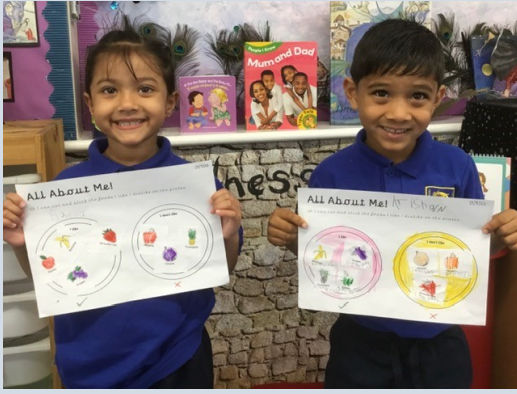
Thank you to Mr Condon and the PTA for the refreshing lolly and ice cream sale last week. We raised £100 for the PTA.

Reception

Reception Class have enjoyed another lovely sunny week in school with lots of learning!

We have enjoyed dancing, singing, playing, listening to stories in the garden, and getting creative making our 'God's World' collages.

We enjoyed discussing our 'likes and dislikes', counting and ordering our numbers, and making some fantastic progress with our phonics and pre-cursive writing. Well done Reception Class!



Latin and Classic Civilisation Club

We had a fun start to Latin Club dressing up in togas just like Roman citizens of Pompeii. We found out all about Caecilius who lived there 2000 years ago.



Dates for your Diary this Half

Term		Monday 2nd – Friday 6th Oct	Parent Consultation Meetings
Monday 18th Sep	Secondary Transfer Evening (Years 4-6) 6pm	Thursday Oct 5th	Black History Month Workshops
Monday 25th September - Friday 29th September	Open Week 9.30am - 11.30am	Friday 6th Oct	PTA Film Night
Wednesday 27th Sep	Curriculum Eve. Nurs-Yr.6, 6pm	Swimming this Term – Years 5 & 6	
		Sept 18th	
		October 2nd	
		Nov 6th	
		Nov 20th	
		Dec 4th	

Eco School



Our Eco-School Green Flag Award has arrived! Next week we are looking forward to the elections for this year's Eco-Committee and School Council.

Nursery

This week Nursery have been looking at the topic of autumn. The children have been participating a range our activities, including:

- Completing an autumn-themed sticking activity, ordering numbers from 1-5 and 1-10
- Using paints and a cork to create their own autumn tree.
- Reinforcing turn taking by playing an autumn-themed bingo game.
- Listening to a story called 'The Very Helpful Hedgehog' and discussing the structure of the story and its characters.



Peri Music Lessons

Mr Williams (Guitar), Mr Long (Flute, Clarinet, Trumpet, Saxophone) and Mr Bruggemeyer (Violin) all have space available for Peri music lessons this term.

Piano with Miho and Mrs Corrigan is at waiting list at this time.

For more information please contact the School Office — secretary@lalehamlea.co.uk



Year 1



This week in Literacy, Year one have created imaginative 'Wanted Posters' for 'The Big Bad Wolf' from the story 'Little Red Riding Hood'.

Year 2

In RE this week Year 2 have been learning about how they are fearfully and wonderfully made. They have surrounded their portraits with words identifying how they are special and chosen by God.



Year 3



Year 3 have been learning about the Christian Family and made Thank You cards for our wonderful families.

Year 4

This week Year 4 studied an extract from Floella Benjamin's 'Coming to England'. Floella was born in the sun drenched Island of Trinidad and came to Britain in the 1960s, to be reunited with her parents. The children explored the huge culture shock she experienced and the difficulties of living within two cultures.



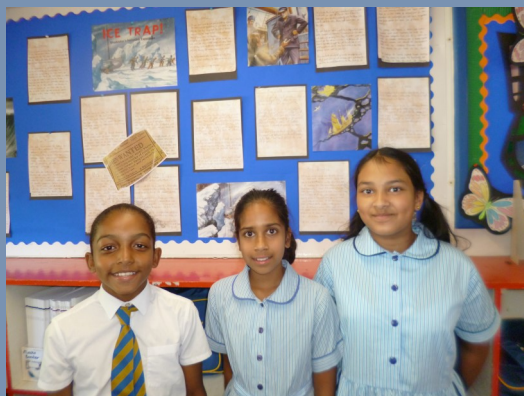
Year 5

In Art this week Year 5 have been looking at the work of William Morris and designing their own tiles.



Year 6

Year 6 have immersed themselves in the world of Ernest Shackleton's expedition to Antarctica this week. They have written a persuasive advertisement to recruit crew members and written letters home after being trapped on the ice for over a year. We have started to build a display in our classroom that will be embellished with



lots of snow and ice next week!

Stars of the week

