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# Laleham Lea

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

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Dear Parents

We have enjoyed another lovely week of learning and fun at Laleham Lea.

Our Year 1 students led our Liturgy beautifully on Tuesday sharing with the whole school how Jesus was a teacher and how we can all be better students. Well done Year 1!

Today marks the Feast of The Presentation of the Lord and Year 4 shared the story of Mary and Joseph's visit to Jerusalem with the baby Jesus in assembly today.

This week we have launched Times Table Rock Stars for all students in Years 1-6. This fun online programme is designed to support times tables practice at home. Log in details have been given to each child and letters with more information have been sent home. There have already been reports of year group battles and teachers have been challenged too!

Next week we are looking forward to welcoming *Perform for Schools* who are joining us for Safer Internet Day workshops on Tuesday. Next week's newsletter will also include online safety tips and advice for parents.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs M Reece

Acting Head Teacher



Year 1 Liturgy

Dear Lord Jesus

Please bless all the people in our life who teach us.

Thank you for being our friend and teacher.

Please help us to learn and grow in your love.

Amen



## Nursery

This week the children have been learning about different modes of transport, including:

- Using a variety of junk modelling materials, to create our own transport and discuss how and where we could travel.
- Listening to the story 'The School Bus Trip' and discussing the story and its characters.
- Playing the 'I Spy' counting game and using a number line, help Identify how many types of transport can be seen.



## Reception



This week in Literacy, we have continued with our story of Beegu. The children enjoyed discussing and writing about the story in a little more depth and we also made some lovely Beegu collages and Space pictures.

In RE (Awe & Wonder), we have been learning about how Jesus chose his disciples and produced some beautiful writing all about it.

During Maths, we have been learning number bonds, sequencing numbers, and learning about two more or two less than a given number.

## Year 1

This week in Art, Year One enjoyed making Toy Spinners to demonstrate their knowledge of 'Toys of The Past'.



## Eco Warriors

Our Eco Warriors are continuing to plan in order to improve our Nature Trail. We have written our Action Plan for this year to include bio-diversity, and our playground.



## Year 2

Year 2 have been learning about Kenya in our Geography lessons this half term. They have learnt all about the country, landscapes and schooling and have even learnt to speak some Swahili. This week they have learnt all about the Masai Tribe and their lifestyle. The children have created their own Masai necklace and competed in their own Masai jumping competition.



## Year 3

Year 3 are continuing their Roman topic in History and have been learning about the legend of Romulus and Remus.



## Year 4

Year 4 are enjoying their History topic 'The Aztecs' and made these amazing, colourful masks in Art this week.



## Stars of the week



### Year 5

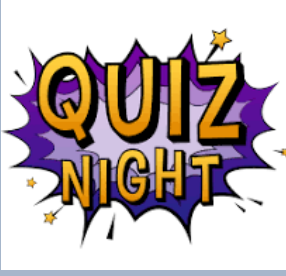
Year 5 enjoyed making carrot cookies in Art this week as part of their WWII History topic.



### Year 6



Year 6 have been working really hard on their beautiful portraits of Frida Kahlo for several art sessions and their amazing work is ready to go on display. The colours they have used are so vibrant and recall the lush flora and fauna of Mexico.



## PTA News



Dear All

I hope everyone is well and has had a good start to 2024.

Following on from the success of the Christmas Fair and the funds raised from this, Mrs Reece is in the process of finding some benches for the playground for the children to enjoy which will be courtesy of the monies the PTA has raised.

Going forward, we are delighted to share that there will be another Movie Night planned for Monday March 11th. The movies this time will be voted for by the year groups, which we hope will be a fun way of deciding what to watch.

We are also planning the return of the famous Parents' Quiz Night, this time at Purley Sports' Club which is able to provide food and a bar – we hope to be able to confirm the date for this very soon so please do keep an eye out for this!

Leading up to Easter, we will be running a 'Colour Hamper' raffle where each year group will be allocated a colour with parents/families asked to donate items in one particular colour to make a fabulous raffle prize per class! These will then be raffled off at the end of the term.

Thanks so much to all the teachers for supporting the PTA as well as those parents involved – please don't hesitate to contact your class rep if you are able to get involved, every contribution really counts.

With all best wishes David Condon

(PTA – Chair)

## Brave the Shave!

A big 'well done' to our Year 3 student who shaved his hair this week to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support's 'Brave the Shave' fundraising. He has raised over £400 so far!



## A Prayer Written By a Year 6 Pupil Chaplain

Dear God

We all want to be kind.  
Help us to be kind even  
when we don't feel like it or  
when we don't think the  
other person deserves it.

Amen

## Dates for your Diary this Term

### Swimming this Term – Years 3 & 4

Monday Feb 19th, March 4th

### This Half Term:

Feb 6th – Safer Internet Day Drama workshops

### Looking ahead –

Feb 26th-March 1st – Parent Consultation meetings (most clubs do not run this week)

March 4th-8th – Open Week

March 5th – Toby Glover Author Visit & Book signing

March 7th – World Book Day (Literary Dressing Up)

March 18th – Junior Easter Concert (Years 3-6)

March 22nd – CAFOD Lenten mufti day fundraising

March 25th-27th – Year 6 PGL Trip



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