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Laleham Lea

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

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Dear Parents,

Here we are at the end of another amazing year at Laleham Lea. I cannot quite believe where the time has gone, and we have concluded our term and our year with another action-packed week!

On Monday our departing Year 6 students led their final ever Laleham Lea Mass at The John Fisher Chapel followed by an emotional Leavers Mass in the Long Room. After sharing their memories (and some tears) they gathered their composure to enjoy a fun pizza party in the playground with football (of course!), laughter and dancing.

Our Year 6 netballers then took on our staff plus Year 5 guest stars in a closely fought match on Wednesday afternoon. The girls emerged victorious with a narrow win by 1 goal! Well done to everyone, a lovely way to end the year. Our champions were awarded special medals made by our very own Year 4 entrepreneur from 'T's Toys (who also hosted the most popular stall at the PTA fair!), a special thank you to him for this.

On Wednesday morning our Junior sports' starts travelled to St James the Great School for the Catholic Schools' Athletics. We won four events and came 4th overall in the small school's league. Our Reception and KS1 children went one step better yesterday to retain the small schools' trophy and finish 3rd in the competition overall! Well done everyone!

We finished our term with a fun assembly this morning and students have enjoyed mini 'class parties' before we finish for the year.

Wishing you all a safe and happy summer.

Mrs Reece

Headteacher

House Points—Final Totals

Mayne

Total— 5576

Edmund

Total—5007

Wulstan

Total—4971

Alban

Total—4633



The Catholic life of the school



Celebration of The Word

On Monday our Celebration of The Word assembly we marked the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. In the Gospel, we heard how Jesus asked his friends a question about his identity. Only St Peter was bold enough to answer Jesus. We reflected upon how Peter was chosen to lead the Church



"When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is? They replied, Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets. But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." Matthew 16: 13-19

Gospel Values

Well done to this week's Gospel Values award winners for showing our values of **Compassion, Gentleness, Justice, Love, Forgiveness** and **Hope**.



Year 6 Netball vs Staff

On Wednesday our Year 6 netball superstars took on a team of staff and Y5 students in a hotly contested match. The score ended 10-9 to the Y6—well done everyone.



PTA Summer Fair



Catholic Schools' Sports' Day & Junior Athletics

At the Catholic Schools Athletics on Wednesday, Laleham Lea won four individual medals and came 4th overall in the small schools' event.

Our Reception and KS1 children went one step better on Thursday to retain the Small Schools' trophy and finish third overall—well done everyone.



Nursery

This week Nursery have been discussing the transition to Reception. The children enjoyed listening to a story and discussed their memories in Nursery so far. We have been having a fun filled week of games, laughter, team work and adventures in the garden.

We enjoyed using the colouring pencils to draw a picture of our memories in nursery and also discussed how we can challenge ourselves in new or unfamiliar environments.



Reception



What a wonderful year we have had in Reception! It has been an absolute pleasure watching the children grow, learn, and flourish over the past few months. While they will be missed, they are more than ready for their next adventure and I wish them all a smooth transition into Year 1.



During our final week, we shared our favourite memories in Reception class. We also continued our learning about Van Gogh, painting some truly fantastic sunflower masterpieces. I hope you will treasure these beautiful creations as a special keepsake of their first year in school. Our real sunflowers have also grown beautifully, and the children cannot wait to bring them home.

Thank you for all your amazing support this year – I wish all our Laleham Lea families a wonderful, restful summer!

Year 1



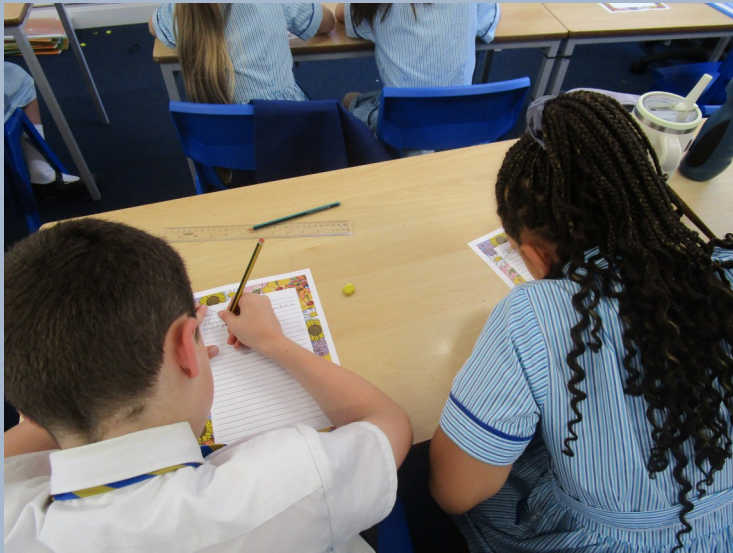
This week in Year one, the children have had a wonderful time making used still life shells to create a Seaside picture!

Year 2



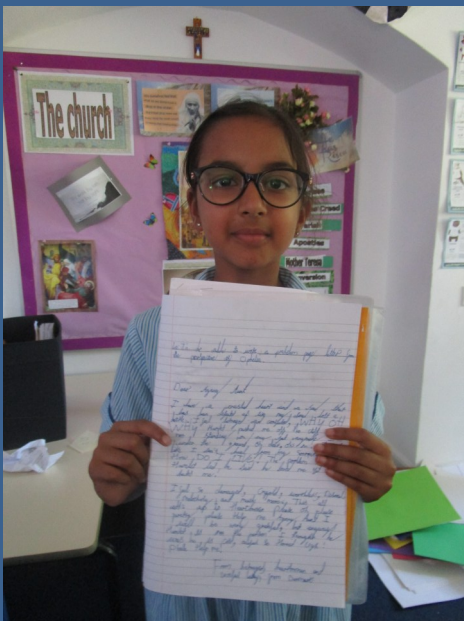
Year 2 have enjoyed making beautiful mixed-media castles in art this week.

Year 3



On Monday Year 3 met their new teacher Miss Leonidas at Moving up Morning. In English, the class perfected their letter writing skills by drafting letters to Miss Leonidas introducing themselves.

Year 4



This week, Year 4 have been diving headfirst into the dramatic world of Shakespeare's Hamlet. We explored the tense moment Prince Hamlet dismisses poor Ophelia, telling her to "get thee to a nunnery!"

The children were tasked with writing a letter from Ophelia's perspective to an "Agony Aunt," seeking advice for her broken heart. Mrs Khan was so impressed by the emotional vocabulary and maturity everyone showed.

Year 5

Stagecoach Scholarships

Year 5 have thoroughly enjoyed making their amazing Tudor Portraits in their art class. What a talent!

A huge Congratulations to two of our students who were recently awarded scholarships at Coulsdon Stagecoach! Great work!



Year 6



Our Year 6 students put their brains to the ultimate test this week in an incredibly high-stakes General Knowledge Quiz. To say it was "competitive" would be an understatement!

The room was absolutely buzzing with energy as teams went head-to-head on everything from world geography to science and pop culture. A huge well done to all of Year 6 for bringing such fantastic spirit and serious trivia skills to the table!

Stars of the week





SUMMER HOLIDAY MULTI SPORTS COURSE

WEEK 1: 27TH JULY TO 30TH JULY

WEEK 2: 10TH AUGUST TO 13TH AUGUST

WEEK 3: 24TH AUGUST TO 27TH AUGUST

£15 PER DAY

*Football, netball, basketball, cricket,
dodgeball, tennis, tag rugby, uni-hoc,
traditional sports day games & more*

POWERLEAGUE HANNIBAL WAY CRO 4RW

10am-3pm early drop off (9am) or late pick up (4pm) available on request.

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