



Newsletter- Friday 10th October



Hello Yellow Day

Thank you all for your support of our mufti day today for World Mental Health Day and for your donations which will go to our local Mental Health Support Team (MHST) to help with the fantastic work they do with our young people. We have raised £181.00 so far.

Library Summer Reading Challenge

Today we were joined in our whole school assembly by Sam from Estover Library. Sam came to present certificates to all the children who took part in the Library Service's Summer Reading Challenge. We are so proud of everyone who took part. Well done for being such keen readers!

School photographer

The school photographer will be in school on Wednesday 15th October (next week). Pupils will only be photographed with siblings, unless individual photos are also requested via the school office. Please make any requests for this by Tuesday 14th October so that we have a list ready for the photographer. Nursery and Foundation will all have individual photos taken. If Wednesday is your child's P.E. day, please send them into school in their school uniform and with a PE bag so that they can change into their PE kit in school.

Harvest Festival

On Friday 17th October, we will be celebrating our Harvest Festival in school and parents are welcome to come along to the assemblies. Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2's harvest assembly will be at 9am and Year 3,4,5 and 6's will be at 9.45. We would ask that, due to limited space in the hall, only one family member attends please. We would be incredibly grateful for any food donations on that day- or in the week leading up to it- which we will pass to Devon and Cornwall Food Action.

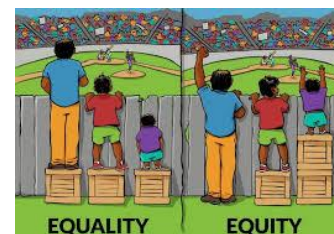
Safeguarding Alert

In the front and/or back of some editions of the Spy Dog, Spy Cat and Spy Pups series of books, there is a reference to the author, Andrew Cope's, former website for the series which was owned and managed by him. An unconnected third party has recently taken control of the domain name and is using it to display a different website with inappropriate adult content. This website is not associated with Puffin or Andrew Cope. Please do not visit it and ensure that children do not visit it either.



Thought for the Week- Equality Vs Equity

In school, we have spoken to our older pupils about the difference between equality and equity. Equality is providing everyone with the same opportunities, treatment, and resources, while equity provides different resources and support based on individual needs to ensure everyone can achieve an equal outcome. Think of it this way: equality is giving everyone the same size shoe, but equity is giving everyone a shoe that fits them. This is a really useful way to talk things through when things don't seem 'fair.'



Gates

From next week, for the whole week, the gate by the outdoor classroom in KS2 will remain locked and that entrance will be unavailable. This is at the request of the gas work contractors working in that area. Please use the MUGA or main gate as an alternative, Sorry for any inconvenience.

Staff Recognition

I'd like to recognise our volunteers at Leigham. In particular, three 'Leigham, Legends!' Mr Walker and Mr Perkin spend hours each week in school completing jobs to ensure that the site is safe and looking its best for our school family. Mr Easterbrook also gives up a huge amount of time to support with extra-curricular clubs, trips and sports events. Thank you to them all for being such kind members of our school community.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Barker



Is your child due to start school in September 2026?



We'd like to invite you to our Open Day on:

Saturday 18th October
9:00am - 10:30am
Leigham Primary School

We will be offering:

- Group tours of our amazing school and grounds
- Activities in our Foundation classrooms
- An opportunity to talk to our team and ask any questions you may have
- A complimentary breakfast

Alternatively, we can offer individual tours for families within the school day. Please contact us to arrange an appointment.



Please call the office on

01752 790990

or email

admin@leigham-primary.plymouth.sch.uk
to book your place or for more information.

Leigham Primary School and Nursery
Cockington Close, Leigham, Plymouth, PL6 8RF



Key Dates

***Please check this section each week as new dates are added frequently.**

Week Beginning 13 th October	Week 3 of clubs
Tuesday 14 th October	Year 4 Learning Together 1.30pm
Wednesday 15 th October	School Photographer in all day
Friday 17 th October	9.00 KS1 Harvest festival and 9.45 KS2 Harvest festival (Maximum of one family member to attend each of the assemblies due to space)
Week Beginning 20 th October	Week 4 of clubs
Monday 20 th October	Year 3 Learning Together 2.00pm
Tuesday 21 st October	Year 6 Learning Together 2.00pm
Thursday 23 rd October	Year 4 Roman Day
Thursday 23 rd October	Pie drop 2.50pm
Thursday 23 rd October	Last day of Term 1
Friday 24 th October	Non-Pupil Day
Monday 3 rd November	Start of Term 2
Week Beginning 3 rd November	Week 5 of Clubs
Wednesday 12 th and Tuesday 18 th November (Monday 17 th for Oak Class)	Autumn Term Parents Evenings (more information and booking instructions to follow)
Week Beginning 10 th November	No Clubs- parents' evenings
Friday 14 th November (throughout the day)	Nursery Parents Appointments
Week Beginning 17 th November	No Clubs- parents' evenings
Friday 21 st November	Times Table Rockstar Day (Dressing up as a rockstar)
Week Beginning 24 th November	Week 6 of Clubs
Week Beginning 1 st December	Week 7 of Clubs
Monday 1 st December	Year 2 Learning Together 1.45pm
Week Beginning 8 th December	Week 8 of Clubs (final week)
Monday 8 th December 9am	NATIVITY for Y1 Parents (Y1 will narrate and sing)
Tuesday 9 th December 9am	NATIVITY for FS2 Parents-(younger siblings can attend)
Wednesday 10 th December 9am	NATIVITY for FS2 Parents-(no siblings- adults only)
Thursday 11 th December	Year 5 Viking Day Year 5 Assembly to Parents 2.30pm
Thursday 18 th December	Rocksteady Concert for children and parents 2.15pm
Friday 19 th December	Last day of Term 2
Monday 5 th January	Start of Term 3

Connect Academy Trust Term Dates 2025-2026

September 2025	October 2025	November 2025	December 2025
Monday 01 08 15 22 29	06 13 20 27	03 10 17 24	01 08 15 22 29
Tuesday 02 09 16 23 30	07 14 21 28	04 11 18 25	02 09 16 23 30
Wednesday 03 10 17 24	01 08 15 22 29	05 12 19 26	03 10 17 24 31
Thursday 04 11 18 25	02 09 16 23 30	06 13 20 27	04 11 18 25
Friday 05 12 19 26	03 10 17 24 31	07 14 21 28	05 12 19 26
January 2026	February 2026	March 2026	April 2026
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Tuesday 06 13 20 27	03 10 17 24	03 10 17 24 31	07 14 21 28
Wednesday 07 14 21 28	04 11 18 25	04 11 18 25	01 08 15 22 29
Thursday 08 15 22 29	05 12 19 26	05 12 19 26	02 09 16 23 30
Friday 09 16 23 30	06 13 20 27	06 13 20 27	03 10 17 24
May 2026	June 2026	July 2026	August 2026
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Holiday
 Bank Holiday
 Non Pupil Days

Awards Pages

If you would like to share significant successes e.g. from your child's involvement in clubs/ competitions out of school, please send a short explanation (and a photograph if you wish to include one) to admin@leigham-primary.plymouth.sch.uk with 'Newsletter Celebrations' in the subject line. Please note that the newsletter is shared via email and online through our website and social media platforms and so adding a photograph to your email means that you consent to it being shared in all of those places.

Class Charter Champion

Each week, staff recognise a class member who has demonstrated our school values of being **KIND, READY** for a challenge and a great **LEARNER**. They will be invited to celebrate with a hot chocolate on Friday afternoon.

Ash	-	Spruce	Penny
Oak	-	Beech	Nelly
Maple	Layla	Hazel	Logan
Palm	Theo	Fir	Heidy
Poplar	Violet	Elm	Max
Willow	Rosie R	Pine	Devonn
Larch	Noah	Yew	Alex



Dojo Awards

The classes with the most weekly Dojos in each Key Stage are shown below.

Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2
Maple	Beech

Autumn Term 2025



Week 1 Menu

Served weeks commencing 3rd Nov, 24th Nov, 15th Dec, 19th Jan, 9th Feb

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal	Pork Sausages	Homemade Beef Lasagne	Roast Chicken with Gravy	Mild Beef Chilli Con Carne	Fish Fingers & Tomato Ketchup
Vegetarian	Vegetarian Sausage (v)	Vegetarian Lasagne (v)	Vegetarian Mince & Onion Pie (v)	Vegetable Enchilada (v)	Cheese & Tomato Pizza (v)
Seasonal Vegetables	Mashed Potato, Garden Peas, Carrots	Sweetcorn, Mixed Garden Salad, Diced Herby Potatoes	Roast Potatoes, Green Beans, Carrots	Fluffy Rice, Sweetcorn, Broccoli	Oven Chips, Garden Peas, Baked Beans
Sandwiches	Choose Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Choose Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Choose Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Choose Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Choose Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato topped with either Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayonnaise	Jacket Potato topped with either Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayonnaise	Jacket Potato topped with either Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayonnaise	Jacket Potato topped with either Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayonnaise	Jacket Potato topped with either Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayonnaise
Desserts	Lemon Sponge with Custard	Shortbread Finger with Fruit Wedges	Iced Chocolate Sponge	Apple Crumble & Custard	Famous Fruity Friday

AVAILABLE DAILY:

Choice of Freshly Baked Bread, Salad Bar, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt, Jelly and Water.

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Week 2 Menu

Served weeks commencing 10th Nov, 1st Dec, 5th Jan, 26th Jan

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal	Beef Burger in a Bun	BBQ Chicken	Roast Turkey with Gravy	Tasty Chicken Wrap	Fish Fingers & Tomato Ketchup
Vegetarian	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Pinwheel (v)	Chickpea and Vegetable Biryani (v)	Vegan Quorn Sausage (v)	Cheese & Tomato Pizza (v)	BBQ Vegetable & Bean Wrap (v)
Seasonal Vegetables	Roasted Potato Wedges, Mixed Garden Salad, Coleslaw	Fluffy Rice, Garden Peas, Broccoli	Roast Potatoes, Green Beans, Carrots	Roast Potato Wedges, Sweetcorn, Mixed Garden Salad	Oven Chips, Garden Peas, Baked Beans
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Desserts	Jam Sponge	Mini Sultana Cookie with Fruit Slices	Pineapple Upside Down Cake & Custard	Chocolate Brownie	Famous Fruity Friday

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Week 3 Menu

Served weeks commencing 17th Nov, 8th Dec, 12th Jan, 2nd Feb

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal	Cheese, Tomato & Ham Pizza	Mexican Chicken & Rice	Roast Gammon with Gravy	Pasta Bolognese	Fish Fingers & Tomato Ketchup
Vegetarian	Mixed Bean Fajita (v)	Macaroni Cheese (v)	Roast Quorn Fillet with Gravy (v)	Vegetarian Chilli & Rice (v)	Vegetable Fingers (v)
Seasonal Vegetables	Roasted Potato Wedges, Mixed Garden Salad, Coleslaw	Warm Baguette, Garden Peas, Broccoli	Mashed Potato, Carrots, Green Beans	Bread, Sweetcorn, Broccoli	Oven Chips, Garden Peas, Baked Beans
Sandwiches	Choose Ham, cheese or Tuna Mayo	Choose Ham, cheese or Tuna Mayo	Choose Ham, cheese or Tuna Mayo	Choose Ham, cheese or Tuna Mayo	Choose Ham, cheese or Tuna Mayo
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Desserts	Shortbread	Chocolate Sponge with Custard	Banana Home Bake	Chocolate Cookie	Famous Fruity Friday

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Little Steps Together



Come along to our fun and friendly playgroup!



**Play with
our toys!**

**Explore our
sensory room!**

**Make new
friends!**



Tuesdays
during term-time



am: 10:30-11:30
pm: 13:00-14:00

Book your space at www.friendsandfamilies.org.uk

**FRIENDS &
FAMILIES**

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