



## Newsletter- Friday 28th November



### FOLS Christmas Event

We look forward to seeing you all at this afternoon's Festive Event hosted by FOLS. There will be a brass band and performances by the school choir to spread some Christmas cheer. Please bring along some change to purchase some festive refreshments and our amazing Jolly Jars. Santa's grotto will also be open for those who would like to visit him.

### Jolly Jars

A huge well done and thank you to the children and families who took time to create a Jolly Jar for today's Christmas Event. A winner was picked from each class, and they have received a certificate and selection pack from FOLS. Winners will be shared on the school Facebook page.



### House Captains

A huge well done to our new House Captains and Deputies. These Year 6 pupils were voted in by members of their houses in Key Stage Two and were presented with their badges in this week's awards assembly. They are:

Elsie	Alex	Connor	Ava
Leo	Izzy	Isabelle	Scarlett

### Year 2 Dentist Visit

Yesterday, our Year 2 children took part in the 'Open Wide & Step Inside' oral health session. We had a visit from Peninsula Dental, where the children learned about Geoffrey the Giant, who doesn't like to look after his teeth and has never visited the dentist! Year 2 then enjoyed discussing key oral health messages and recognising the importance of keeping their teeth clean and healthy. In addition to this, Peninsula Dental gave each child in Year 2 a pack to take home with lots of items to help keep their teeth sparkly, including a new toothbrush, a timer and a book about Geoffrey.



### Connect Council

On Wednesday our Connect Council members travelled to Eden Park Primary School in Brixton with Mrs Tucker for the first meeting of the academic year. Whilst this was the fifth meeting for our older pupils, it was a first for our Year 3 member. They were all fantastic ambassadors for our school as always. The children enjoyed exploring the wild learning area, sharing school updates and receiving feedback on our previous meeting.



### New Age Curling

On Wednesday morning, some KS2 children had the opportunity to participate in a New Age Curling event at Plympton Academy. They had a fantastic time, and Mr Easterbrook was extremely proud of how well they played and how they showed great sportsmanship towards players from other schools.



### Nativity Performances

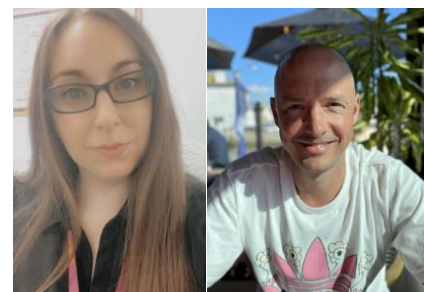
A letter went out to parents of children in Foundation and Year 1 this week regarding the Nativity performances. Tickets are available via Arbor for a small donation. Half of the ticket sale money will go towards replenishing costumes and props and the other half will be donated to St Luke's Hospice as Student Council's chosen charity for this academic year.

### Meet the Governors

To help strengthen communication between families and the governing board, our governors will now be on the playground during morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up every Tuesday and Thursday. This is an opportunity for parents and carers to:

- Share ideas or concerns
- Ask questions
- Learn more about what governors do
- Build stronger links between home and school

They'll be wearing Governor Badges so you can easily spot them. Please feel free to say hello — they're here to listen and support the school community.



### Staff Recognition

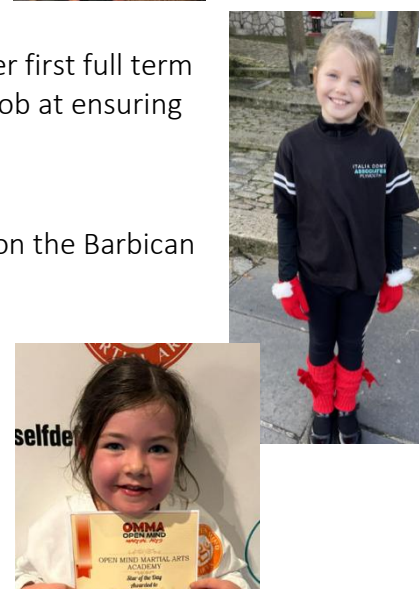
This week, I'd like to recognise Miss Gregson who has nearly completed her first full term as Nursery Manager. Miss Gregson and the Nursery Team do an amazing job at ensuring our littlest learners have the best possible start to their time at school.

### Celebrations

Well done to Evelyn in Year 4 for her performances in the city centre and on the Barbican for the Christmas light switch on events. We are really proud of you!

Well done to Hallie in Year 1 who received star of the day at her martial arts class for outstanding effort and a positive attitude. What a star!

Have a lovely weekend,  
Mrs Barker



## Connect Academy Trust Term Dates 2025-2026

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Holiday Bank Holiday Non Pupil Days

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## Key Dates

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

Week Beginning 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Week 7 of Clubs
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Year 2 Learning Together 1.45pm
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> December at 4pm	Stories with Santa event for pre-school aged children
Week Beginning 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Week 8 of Clubs (final week)
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 9am	NATIVITY for Y1 Parents (Y1 will narrate and sing)
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 9am	NATIVITY for FS2 Parents-(younger siblings can attend)
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December 9am	NATIVITY for FS2 Parents-(no siblings- adults only)
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 5 Viking Day Year 5 Assembly to Parents 2.30pm
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Times Table Rockstar Day (Dressing up as a rockstar)
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Parents craft afternoon (Nursery) 2.15pm
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Rocksteady Concert for children and parents 2.15pm
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of Term 2- Christmas Jumper Mufti Day
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Start of Term 3

# 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](mailto: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.

<b>Ash</b>	Effie-Rae	<b>Spruce</b>	Maggie
<b>Oak</b>	Arthur	<b>Beech</b>	Amelia-Jane
<b>Maple</b>	Leonard	<b>Hazel</b>	Darcie
<b>Palm</b>	Freya	<b>Fir</b>	Ruby
<b>Poplar</b>	Gracie-Mai	<b>Elm</b>	Liam
<b>Willow</b>	Rupert	<b>Pine</b>	Kitty
<b>Larch</b>	Harley	<b>Yew</b>	Rita



## Dojo Awards

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

Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2
Willow	Spruce



# MAKE A CHRISTMAS GIFT



## Estover Library

**Tuesday 2 and Friday 5 December,  
3.30pm to 4pm**

Join us for a festive craft session and make a special photo frame gift for someone you love! Bring your own photo. Everything else will be provided.

Perfect for children aged 3 years old and above.



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library@plymouth.gov.uk

www.plymouth.gov.uk/libraries





# Is your child due to start school?



## We can offer:

- Individual tours of our amazing school and grounds
- Activities in our Foundation classrooms
- An opportunity to talk to our team and ask any questions

**"Leigham is a really inclusive school and no matter what your ability, there is always something to praise and celebrate."** Parent

Contact us to arrange a tour of Leigham Primary School



**Please call the office on**

**01752 790990**

**or email**

**[admin@leigham-primary.plymouth.sch.uk](mailto: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



# STORIES WITH SANTA

Festive event for local pre-school  
aged children

When:  
Monday 1st December at 4pm

Leigham Primary School Grotto



Join us for stories,  
songs and Santa

All children will receive  
a small gift from Santa.

Please contact us to book a space.

Call: 01752 790990

Email: [admin@leigham-primary.plymouth.ch.uk](mailto:admin@leigham-primary.plymouth.ch.uk)

Please note this event is open to all pre-school aged children  
and not limited to children who attend Leigham Nursery

