



Newsletter- Friday 24th April



Welcome back

I would like to warmly welcome you all back after the Easter break and share how excited I am to be leading Leigham Primary School as we begin this next chapter. Please know that both I and the team are committed to achieving the very best for our school. If there is anything you would like to discuss or share, I would be delighted to speak with you-please do come and chat at drop-off or pick-up times. Thank you for your continued support.

Houses of Parliament

Our Year 5/6 trip to UK Parliament was an unforgettable experience. The children were fully engaged by asking thoughtful questions and listening carefully to deepen their understanding. We were blown away by their knowledge. We were incredibly proud of how they represented the school, and it was a pleasure to meet our local MP, Fred Thomas. To top it all off, we even squeezed in a restaurant meal and a performance of Hercules at the theatre, how lucky are we! #ukparliament

Football

This afternoon, Leigham participated in the Round of 32 of the FA Cup against Boringdon Primary. It was a brilliant game of football in difficult windy conditions, and the team showed some great defending to restrict a good passing team to a few chances. In attack, there was some good link up play and poaching in the penalty area. The result was a fantastic 7-4 win and Leigham progress to the Round of 16 against Mary Dean Primary School. Well done Team Leigham 🧡💛⚽



Month of the Military Child

Thank you to everyone for your support in wearing purple or mufti to celebrate the Month of the Military Child. Why Purple? Purple was chosen because it symbolizes all branches of the military, a combination of Army Green, Air Force Blue, Coast Guard Blue, Marine Red and Navy Blue.



Starfish Club

Today in our first Starfish session of the Summer Term, we welcomed some new members to our very special club. It was lovely watching unique new friendships develop as the children talked openly to each other about their loved ones. Today the children made little 'framed' portraits of those in their hearts who have died. Please speak to your child's teacher if you feel they may benefit from our Starfish Club. The next one will be held at lunch time on Wednesday 20th May (a week late due to SATS) 💖 Mrs Bentley



Celebrations

Albie competed in his 1st Triathlon in Torbay during the Easter Holidays. He was entered in the 11-14yr age group & went on to win.

Absolute amazing effort yet again from him.

With warmest wishes,

Mrs Pimlott



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	Ralph	Spruce	Macey
Oak	Primrose	Beech	Faith
Maple	James	Hazel	Keelan
Palm	Freya	Fir	Lexi
Poplar	Harry	Elm	Bonnie-Bleu
Willow	Rosie H	Pine	Florence
Larch	Henry	Yew	Hadley



Dojo winners

KS1	KS2
Poplar	Yew

Gone Green Certificates

Each week, the staff will check which children in KS2 have turned their heatmap green on Times Table Rock Stars. This means they know their times tables fluently. They will receive a certificate to show this achievement.



Key Dates

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

Wednesday 29 th April	FOLS Spring Disco – more information to follow
Monday 4 th May	BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 4 th May	Week 1 of clubs
Tuesday 5 th May	Year 2 visit to PIETy Islamic Centre
Monday 11 th May	Week 2 of clubs
Monday 11 th May	Year 6 SATs Week
Wednesday 13 th May	FS2 Learning Together at 2pm – Teddy Bears’ Picnic
Sunday 17 th May	Schools Challenge at 11am – Plymouth Hoe
Monday 18 th May	Year 4 trip to Nethercott Farm
Monday 18 th May	Year 4 trip to Poole Farm
Monday 18 th May	Week 3 of clubs
Tuesday 19 th May	Year 2 Learning Together at 2pm – Secret Agent Training
Friday 22 nd May	Last day of Term 5
Monday 25 th - Friday 29 th May	HALF TERM
Monday 1 st June	Non Pupil Day
Monday 1 st June	Year 6 Trip to Heatree
Monday 1 st June	Week 4 of clubs
Monday 1 st June	Year 4 Multiplication Check Week
Tuesday 2 nd June	First day of Term 6
Monday 8 th June	Week 5 of clubs
Monday 8 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check (+Year 2 retakes)
Wednesday 10 th June	New Foundation Parents Meeting at 2pm
Thursday 11 th June	Year 3 Trip to Paignton Zoo
Monday 15 th June	Week 6 of clubs
Friday 19 th June	Year 2 class assembly at 2:30pm
Monday 22 nd June	Week 7 of clubs
Thursday 28 th June	FS2 Trip to Dartmoor Zoo
Thursday 28 th June	Year 1 Trip to the National Marine Aquarium
Monday 29 th June	Week 8 of clubs
Tuesday 30 th June	Year 1 Learning Together at 2pm – Clay Fish
Wednesday 1 st July	Year 5 Trip to The Box
Tuesday 14 th July	Year 6 End of Year Performances at 2pm and 6pm
Thursday 16 th July	Rock Steady Concert at 2pm
Friday 17 th July	Last day of the academic year

Connect Academy Trust Term Dates 2025-2026

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 Non Pupil Days

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**PLYMOUTH MARJON
WILDCATS
GIRLS FOOTBALL
AGE 5-11**

EVERY TUESDAY 5-6PM

FIRST SESSION FREE

FUN SESSIONS RUN BY FA QUALIFIED FEMALE COACHES

FRIENDLY & WELCOMING ENVIROMENT

SUITABLE FOR ALL ABILITIES

**PLYMOUTH MARJON SPORTS CENTRE
DERRIFORD ROAD
PL6 8BH**

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**The official flower of the
Military child is the Dandelion.**

WHY?

Dandelions put down roots almost anywhere and it's almost impossible to destroy. It's an unpretentious plant, yet good looking. It's a survivor in a broad range of climates.

Military children bloom everywhere the winds carry them. They are hardy and upright. Their roots are strong, cultivated deeply in the culture of the military... planted swiftly and surely. They're ready to fly in the breezes that take them to new adventures, new lands, and new friends.

Military children are well-rounded, culturally aware, tolerant, and extremely resilient, they have learned from an early age that home is where their hearts are, that a good friend can be found in every corner of the world.

They learn that to survive means to adapt, that the door that closes one chapter of their life opens up to a new and exciting adventure full of new friends and new experiences.



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FREE Practical,
interactive and **fun**
day workshop
**For families with an
autistic child (4yrs +)**

Where? Poole Farm, Leigham

Beautiful farm setting for indoor relaxed adaptive learning/exploration

When? Either Sat 2nd May or Sat 6th June - 10am to 4pm

All materials and a pizza lunch included!

Why?

Improve communication in the family

Understand each others emotions better

Learn how to recognise our own emotions and use them to move on through disappointments and set backs.

Improve resilience and come through difficulties stronger.

Facilitators? A diverse team of experts

Marian Langsford - Emotional Logic Coach ◦ **Paula Davies** - Psychotherapist in psychodrama and Drama Therapist ◦ **Kate Bamforth** - RNLD/RGN - Neurodiversity specialist/ trainer

Get more info at elcentre.org/events

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