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MESSAGE FROM THE ASSISTANT HEAD TEACHER

The children have been learning about Black History Month in our assemblies this week. We really enjoyed a performance by Year 1 of Bob Marley's Three Little Birds. The children learnt about Bob Marley's influence in bringing reggae music to the UK. We will continue to learn more about heroes and role models across Black History Month and across the year.

On Tuesday, our year 5 and 6 football team won their league! All credit to the team and their coaches for such amazing results, please read the children's match reports below.

Years 3 and 4 have been enjoying chopping and cooking in their DT lessons this week. Some hearty soup was created in year 2, thank you to the parent volunteers who supported the children with this project.

Thank you for booking your consultation slots, if you have not yet arranged a time, please follow the guidance to do so. We are keen to show you the progress the children have already made this year and to work together on their next steps on their learning journey.

Have a lovely weekend and please seek out the children's coats for next week now the weather has turned.

Kind regards

Mrs Akehurst

DATES FOR THE DIARY

October 2026

12-23	Y4 Swimming
Tue 13, 11:30	Postponed—Y5/6 Mixed Tag Rugby Festival
Mon 19	Harvest assembly
Tue 20	Y1 History of Toys workshop
Wed 21	International Day
Wed 21	Governors Day
Wed 21	Parent Consultations
Thu 22	Parent Consultations
26—30	Half Term

November 2026

2—6	Y5 Bikeability
Thu 5	Y5/6 Girls Football tournament at The Grove
Fri 6, 9:15	Reception Open Morning (for Sept 2027)
Tue 10, 9:15	Reception Open Morning (for Sept 2027)
Tue 10	Y6 Remembrance LIVE event
Wed 11	Remembrance Day
Wed 11	Flu vaccinations
Wed 11	Y5/6 Cross Country
Thu 12	Y6 Basketball tournament at Oaklands College
Mon 16	Odd Socks Day
Mon 16	Anti-Bullying week
Wed 18	Y2 Castle workshop
Thur 19, 9:15	Reception Open Morning (for Sept 2027)
Mon 23	Maths week

December 2026

Tue 1, 14:00 & 19:00	Y3/4 Christmas concert
Tue 8, 14:30	Reception Nativity
Wed 9, 09:00	Nursery Jingle and Mingle
Tue 15, 14:00	Y1/2 Christmas play
Wed 16	Y1-Y6 Panto
Fri 18, 13:15	End of Term

January 2027

Mon 4	INSET Day
Tue 5	Start of Term

For other key dates please visit our school website at [Lea Primary School - Calendar](#)

OUR CLASS WORD OF THE WEEK

Nursery

family

Year 2

consistency

Year 5

chalet

Reception

growing

Year 3

silhouette

Year 6

presumptuous

Year 1

present

Year 4

interminable

THE LEA PTA

You can buy tickets for the Fireworks Night on Sunday 1st November at Harpenden Rugby Football Club, using The Lea's dedicated link: [Buy now – HRFC Fireworks – Harpenden Rugby Football Club](#) which means that 25% of ticket sales comes back to the Lea School Association to support the school. There is an Early Bird discount available until midnight on 23 October – don't miss out! Please share with friends & family. Further details can be found on the poster at the end of this newsletter.

SPORTS REPORT

Y5/6 Girls Football On Tuesday, the Girls Football team played at home against Beech Hyde, winning 6-0 and Markyate, winning 4-0. Ayla scored an amazing 6 goals and lots of great cross ins from Hannah. Jessica scored 3 goals followed by Gabriella and made a great defence line. Khadija, Zoe and Isabella did an amazing job at tackling and dribbling. Everyone did a great job, winning the league. Report written Jessica and Maya.



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Our attendance target is 97%.

Total attendance for last week was 99.18%.

TEAM POINTS

Topaz was the winning team this week. Well done!

STARS OF THE WEEK

Nursery

For being a good role model in Nursery and always trying her best.

Reception

For great work in RE.

Year 1

For having a great understanding of part-whole models

Bessie

Chloe

Kayson

Kieran

Teddy and Oliver

Enzo

Francie

The Whole Class

Year 5

For putting a lot of effort and pride into their writing.

Year 6

For really thinking carefully about their writing this week and producing some amazing narrative pieces.

Sports

For winning the league!

Hannah and Daniel A

The Year 5/6 Girls Football team

Adam (Year 4)

For excellent understanding in Netball.

SCHOOL NEWS

Trip to Verulamium Museum

On Monday Investigators Class (yr4) were very excited to go and visit Verulamium Museum in St Albans. They took part in a workshop using real and replica artefacts from Roman times, learning about how to tell the differences and thinking about why this might be. They then got a chance to handle the artefacts and take the role of history detectives, working out what all the objects were and how they were used. After that we explored the Museum, then walked to the Hypocaust and to the old Roman walls, admiring the mosaics and enjoying the great weather! Thanks to all parent helpers who came with us and supported the children in their learning about the Romans.



Y5/6 Mixed Tag Rugby Festival—Tuesday 13th October—postponed

This event has been postponed, and a new date is being arranged.

Harvest Festival

Our Harvest assembly will take place on Monday 19th October, this will be for pupils only. We will be supporting The Kings Pantry foodbank and ask for donations to be brought in from Wednesday 14th October.

International Day—Request for help!

We are planning our International Day in the week before half term, and are looking for volunteers who would be prepared to come into school on the afternoon of **Wednesday 21st October** to read a short story or poem to some of our classes in different languages. If you think you might be able to help, please let the office know, saying when you are available and also which language you intend to read in. Note it does not need to be for the whole afternoon - any time from 1.15-3pm would be very welcome. Thanks in advance for your support!

Parent Consultations

Bookings for Parent Consultations opened on Tuesday, bookings via Arbor close at 11pm on Sunday 18th of October.

The Lea Club Holiday club

Noah's Ark are running their holiday club over October half term. Bookings are now open on Arbor. You will need to ensure that there are funds available in the After School Club account on Arbor. If you pay through tax-free childcare, please raise this so it can be processed in time, before half term.

Kindlink donations

Donations to our school can be made through Kindlink (please click on the Kindlink logo below). Donations can be a one off payments or monthly donations, all are welcome and are gratefully received.



FIREWORKS NIGHT

Sun 1st Nov @ Harpenden Rugby Football Club



Early Bird discount available
until midnight 23rd Oct

Don't
miss out!

Buy tickets via our link



buytickets.at/hrfc/2437687/r/lea



Big fireworks



Fairground



Food & drinks



Shuttle from town



25% comes back to The Lea School Association
to support the Lea!

Please share with friends, family & any local WhatsApp groups!