

ST LEONARD'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Lent Challenges

Our amazing School Council are challenging our community to think about how we can all play our part to look after the world God has given us. They have prepared and lead an assembly each week introducing the challenge of the week. Some of these challenges include the opportunity to send their work into school for a competition in the last week of term.

The competitions include:

- Create a piece of artwork from 'rubbish' you have found at home
- Design a poster to encourage people to recycle their rubbish
- Design an item of clothing using recyclable materials

All entries should be in school by Friday 22nd March and the School Council will announce the winners early the following week.

School Uniform

We have a number of items of lost property which are now accessible in the entrance area near the main office. If your child is missing any items please take a look and retrieve them. Thank you.

Within school we feel it is really important that everyone feels part of our school family and understands that they belong. One of the ways in which we know we belong to an organisation is through the uniforms we wear. Please can you ensure that your child is dressed inline with our policy. If you have any questions or concerns about this policy please contact a member of the school leadership team.

We have a 'Good as New' station where parents are able to purchase school uniform for a small donation. This is displayed in the main entrance area and includes clothing and shoes which are good quality, nearly-new uniform. Please support this work to reduce our carbon footprint by purchasing good quality, freshly washed items and reusing them. Thank you.

Our uniform expectations are:

- Grey shorts/skirt/trousers
- White polo top
- Maroon cardigan/sweatshirt
- Black footwear (in the interests of safety please ensure your child wears suitable shoes to school)
- In Summer, children may wear a gingham dress.

Other clothing requirements:

- All children also require an indoor PE kit. This consists of black shorts, a white T-shirt and black pumps. This should be stored in a small, drawstring bag. KS2 children should also have outdoor kit which includes tracksuit trousers, a warm sweatshirt and trainers. This should be stored in the same bag as their indoor kit.
- At certain times of the year your child may require a Forest schools kit. This includes
 wellingtons/sturdy boots, waterproofs and warm layers. You will be sent further details when this is
 required.

Hair:

- In the interests of health and safety, hair if longer than shoulder length should be tied back.
- Please ensure that all hair accessories are small and do not detract from learning. Large bows or other accessories restrict vision, and therefore impact on learning, for pupils sitting behind.

Jewellery/Make up:

- For health and safety reasons only small studs and watches are allowed to be worn by pupils. Apart from the risk of loss, there are many practical activities in which it constitutes a hazard to both wearer and other children. Both must be removed before P.E. lessons. If young children are unable to do this independently, these need to be removed or taped up before they come to school on these days. Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings for pupils. We would encourage any new piercings to be done during holiday periods.
- No make-up or nail varnish should be worn.

World Book Day

On Thursday 7th March, we will be celebrating World Book Day across school. We would love the children to dress up as a character from a children's book for the day while they experience the exciting activities within classes.

Mothers' Day Service

Saplings, Ash, Holly, Elm, Oak and Poplar Class will be at church for a celebration of Mothers on Wednesday 13th March at 11am. Parents are welcome to attend.

Senior Leadership Team

Mrs Holmes – Headteacher Mrs Blackley – Deputy Headteacher Mr Smith – Assistant Headteacher
Mrs Smith – SENCo Mrs Bradley – Blossom Unit and RE Lead
Mr Gaukroger – Designated Safeguarding/Wellbeing